

**LOWER COLUMBIA COLLEGE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES SPECIAL BOARD MEETING***

MINUTES

DECEMBER 17, 2025

CALL TO ORDER (DETERMINATION OF QUORUM)

Chair Silva called the special meeting of the District 13 Board of Trustees to order at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, December 17, 2025, in the Heritage Room 100 in the Administration Building of Lower Columbia College. The LCC Board of Trustees meeting was also offered virtually via Zoom. When the meeting was called to order, the following individuals were present, ensuring a quorum.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES: Marc Silva, Chair
Bogi Kim, Vice Chair
Liz Cattin
Alice Dietz
Mike Karnofski

COLLEGE PRESIDENT: Matt Seimears

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:

Cam Wilson, Joanna Asplund, Sharon Gibb, Kim Oniell, Colleen Macaulay, Kristi Hamlick, Sandra Reyes, and Charise Brenes.

Others in Attendance: Nolan Wheeler, Kristen Finnel, Dan Ruiz, Shelley Williams (AG), Tracy Stanley, Wendy Hall, Matt Holloway-IT backup, and Tracy Powell.

Virtual Attendees: Emilee Bollibon, Ted Sprague, Corey Balkan, Sam Orth, Dana Cummings, Jessica Kooiman, Angie Rogers, acjohnson, Taryn Williams, MaryKate Morgan, Zoom user, Jennie Bergman, rrukkila, Scott's iPhone, Nickie Arce, John Hamlik, Emme McCarthy, Nadia Bondarenko, ariana, Radiance, sburgin, Simon, iPhone, Anonymous Guest, (10) Anonymous participants, and Chat Moderator.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chair Silva called for a motion to approve the agenda. A motion was made by Trustee Kim, seconded by Trustee Cattin, to approve the agenda as presented.

MOTION: By Trustee Kim, seconded by Trustee Cattin

OUTCOME: The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Sharon Gibb provided public comments related to the Vice President of Foundation, Human Resources, and Legal Affairs.
- Cam Wilson, LCCF Board Member, provided public comments related to the Vice President of Foundation, Human Resources, and Legal Affairs.
- Sue Orchard provided written public comments related to the Vice President of Foundation, Human Resources, and Legal Affairs.
- Joanna Asplund, LCCF Board Member, provided public comments related to the Vice President of Foundation, Human Resources, and Legal Affairs.
- Kim Oniell provided public comments related to the Vice President of Foundation, Human Resources, and Legal Affairs.
- Charise Brenes, LCCF Board Member, provided written public comments related to the Vice President of Foundation, Human Resources, and Legal Affairs.
- Corey Balkan provided public comments related to the Vice President of Foundation, Human Resources, and Legal Affairs.
- Joanna Asplund, LCCF Board Member, provided written public comments related to the Vice President of Foundation, Human Resources, and Legal Affairs.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 10:25 a.m., Chair Silva called for an Executive Session to receive and evaluate complaints against a public officer or employee, to review the performance of a public employee, and to discuss with legal counsel representing the agency, litigation, or potential litigation to which the agency or the Board is likely to become a party. The Executive Session was anticipated to end at 10:45 a.m.

At 10:45 a.m., Chair Silva announced the Executive Session would be extended until 11:10 a.m.

ADJOURN EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chair Silva reopened the public meeting at 11:10 a.m. No action was taken during the Executive Session.

ACTION AS A RESULT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Trustee Dietz, seconded by Trustee Karnofski, that the Board of Trustees direct Vice President Nolan Wheeler to contract with the law firm Foster Garney to investigate complaints received by the Board.

MOTION: By Trustee Dietz, seconded by Trustee Karnofski

OUTCOME: The motion carried unanimously.

A second motion was made by Trustee Dietz, seconded by Trustee Kim, that the Board of Trustees direct Vice President Wendy Hall to process complaints received by the Board consistent with College policies and procedures.

MOTION: By Trustee Dietz, seconded by Trustee Kim

OUTCOME: The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, at 11:13 a.m., Chair Silva called for a motion to adjourn. A motion was made by Trustee Karnofski, seconded by Trustee Dietz, that the Board meeting be adjourned.

MOTION: By Trustee Karnofski, seconded by Trustee Dietz

OUTCOME: The motion carried unanimously.

On January 21, 2026, the Board of Trustees of Community College District 13 approved the minutes of the December 17, 2025, Special Board Meeting.

Kristen Finnel

Kristen Finnel, Interim Secretary to the Board