

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

# **MINUTES**

**JANUARY 9, 2026**

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## **CALL TO ORDER (DETERMINATION OF QUORUM)**

Chair Silva called the special meeting of the District 13 Board of Trustees to order at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, January 9, 2026, 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:**

## **INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:**

Guests: Michal Ann Ure and Dave Andrew.

Others in Attendance: Kristen Finnel, Dan Ruiz, Shelley Williams (AG), Thomas Herold, Mara Slabu, and Tracy Powell.

Virtual Attendees: Pat Martin, Natasha Allen, Mavourneen Rister, Leszek (Iesh) Cromwell, Peter Donovan Isaacson, Harlan Crusier, Mark Gaither, Byfen, Corey Strand, Betsy Richard, Dana Cummings, Sue Akins-Fields, Stefanie Gilberti, Jessica Kooiman, Elissa Loren, Emilee, Andrew Oman, Fox Leavans, April Tovar, Ashleigh Kruckenberg, Becky Connolly, Connie Ramos, Griffin, Jolynn Amrine, Josh Smith, Kailie Drumm, Linda Garcia, LM, Minka Atkinson, Rachel Mystic, Robert Cochran, Sam Orth, Sburgin, Sharon Gibb's iPhone, Shiree Bent, Taryn Williams, Ted Sprague, TJ, Unknown User, Joy Yolangco, Jblack, Guest, Karissa Rogers, Natalie Richie, Troy Shorey, Jessica Harris, Rheanon Vandenvorde, Amber, \*\*, (2) Anon, (11) Anonymous, and LCC Chat Moderator.

## **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

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

**MOTION:** By Trustee Karnofski, seconded by Trustee Kim

**OUTCOME:** The motion carried unanimously

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

- Andrew Oman, WEA Lower Columbia UniServ Director, provided public comments related to the role of the Interim Presidential Leadership.
- Michal Ann Ure, LCC Faculty Member, provided public comments related to the President's Administrative Leave.
- Dave Andrew, LCC Assistant Coach, provided public comments related to the Interim Presidential Contract.

#### **BOARD BUSINESS**

Approval of Interim President's Contract

A motion was made by Trustee Kim to approve the Contract as presented, with the exception of modifying the term "Interim President" to "Acting President".

**MOTION:** By Trustee Kim. The motion did not receive a second.

**OUTCOME:** The motion failed for a lack of a second.

A motion was made by Trustee Cattin, seconded by Trustee Dietz, that the Board approve the Interim President's Contract as presented.

**MOTION:** By Trustee Cattin, seconded by Trustee Dietz

**OUTCOME:** The motion carried unanimously.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

There was no executive session.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business, at 9:17 a.m., Chair Silva called for a motion to adjourn. A motion was made by Trustee Karnofski, seconded by Trustee Cattin, that the Board meeting be adjourned.

**MOTION:** By Trustee Karnofski, seconded by Trustee Cattin

**OUTCOME:** The motion carried unanimously.

**On January 21, 2026, the Board of Trustees of Community College District 13 approved the minutes of the January 9, 2026, Special Board Meeting.**

*Kristen Finnel*

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Kristen Finnel, Interim Secretary to the Board