New Mission Statement

Los Angeles Southwest College is committed to providing an environment for quality learning to enrich the lives of our diverse population.

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WELCOME BACK
to the “new”
LOS ANGELES SOUTHWEST COLLEGE

Welcome back to the “new” Los Angeles Southwest College! We all look forward to seeing you at our opening day activity.

Academic Senate/Staff Development Sponsored Flex Day Event
Thursday, September 1, 2005
Little Theater
7:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Continental Breakfast/Lunch Included
(Department Meetings 12:00 -2:00 p.m.)

Why are we the “new” LASC?!?
- Many of our 30+ year bungalows are gone on the west campus.
- Our new Student Services Building will be open to the public by Oct. 10th
- We have “new” energy as we continue our planning for Accreditation scheduled for March 20-23, 2006.

Our Fall 2005 semester officially begins, Tuesday September 6th just after Labor Day. We had a successful Summer Session, and many of you worked very hard to assist us in meeting our summer enrollment targets. Thank you.

The Office of Academic Affairs will hold our Full Time and Part Time Faculty Orientations, facilitated by Dean Robertson, on the following dates and times:

- September 6-8th 5:45-6:30 p.m.  President’s Conference Room

AFT Faculty Contract Negotiations
AFT faculty contract negotiations are going forward and are scheduled to be completed soon. The district has indicated that there is a good possibility that there will be a 4.23% COLA.

Retirements
LA Southwest College has several faculty who have retired. They include Ms. Jacqueline Matthews (CAOT), Ms. Helen Seeman (Nursing), and Dr. Cecily Sweeney (Humanities). Resignations include Dr. Marina Shampaine (English) and Mr. Kerman Maddox (Political Science). We applaud all of these faculty and thank them for their dedicated service to students and the campus, and we wish them the best in their future life endeavors.
New Staff
We welcome our newly hired and elected full time faculty members:
New department chairs: Behavioral and Social Sciences/Dr. Sandra Lee;

Ms. Linda Brady (Library) – Most recently, Ms. Brady was in a limited position as a
librarian and has been active in bringing a new technology vision to the library, teaching
Library 101 to support our student’s knowledge of research in the library and in obtaining
several significant donations of books to our students and library. Welcome Ms. Brady.

Ms. Alexis Tucker (Counseling) – Ms. Tucker has been an hourly member of the
Counseling staff for some years, along with being an assistant in our Plant Facilities
Department. She completed her Masters in Counseling while working as an employee
for our campus. We are all so proud of her and welcome her to our full time faculty.

New to administration, we would also like to welcome Mr. Dan Walden. He was our
former Senior Research Analyst. He is now Dean of Institutional Planning & Research.
Our previous accreditation review indicated the need for a dean in research, and Mr.
Walden has been very instrumental in supporting the research needs for our program
review process, our strategic planning agenda and our educational master plan.

We welcome Vibha Gupta as our new Information Technology Manager. LaDeane Allen
has retired and we wish her well.

Educational Master Plan
Our Educational Master Plan is complete. Copies of the EMP will be available for you at
our opening Flex Day and linked to the LASC Home Page.

New Payroll System
Our district has embarked upon a new payroll system. If any of you have problems with
your check, contact Ms. Lynn Bebelle in administrative services ASAP. Don’t wait. To
correct problems can be time intensive, so contact her at ext. 5560 as soon as you know
there is a problem. She is here to help.

Student/Faculty Help Desk – September 6-8th 8:00 – 6:30 p.m. Faculty Volunteers
Needed! Located on Southwest Drive near the quad area.
Don’t forget visit the help desk sponsored by Student Services. There students can pick
up add cards for your classes if you have a low enrollment. You can also check the
enrollments and leave flyers and information for our students on your course. New
parking permits for faculty will also be distributed.

We have had a busy summer planning for our next academic year and, we are happy to
have you back and ready for our students. Welcome Back!!

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