LOS ANGELES SOUTHWEST COLLEGE
STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES (SLO) COMMITTEE

Minutes
Thursday, 4/28/05
3:00 p.m.
President’s Conference Room

Present:
Loan Le, Glenn Yoshida, Dan Walden, Marian Ruane, Scott Thayer, Mary Gallagher, Leige Henderson, Djessica Harris

Absent:
Earnestine Thomas-Robertson, Igor Daza, Nouha Toure, Leticia Barajas, Linda Larson-Singer

1. Welcome & Introductions
Glenn Yoshida opened the meeting at 3:07 pm in the President’s Conference Room. No introductions were necessary.

2. Approval of Minutes
The minutes of 4/14/05 meeting was reviewed and approved with no corrections (M/S/P).

3. Approval of Agenda
The agenda was approved by consent with no further modifications.

4. Academic Senate Actions
G. Yoshida reported that the resolution on Good Practices of Assessment was approved by the LASC Academic Senate on 4/12/05. It was resolved that “the LASC Academic Senate affirm and hold as a standard, the AAHE’s 9 Principles of Good Practice for Assessing Student Learning.” The SLO Guidelines draft, however, was not acted upon by the Senate due to lack of a quorum and will be presented again at the May meeting.

5. Pilot Testing of SLOs During Summer
Pat Lewis and Sharon Maselli had indicated interest in developing and testing SLOs this summer. G. Yoshida suggested a summer workshop on SLO development and the possibility of a flex day activity incorporating SLO presentations from involved faculty. Ms. Harris suggested a SLO workshop for students and will also determine if any staff development funds are available.

6. Flex Day Activities
There was a consensus that this year’s Flex Day in September should include SLOs. The desire for an SLO flex component will be presented to the Academic Senate.

7. Process For Developing Institutional SLOs
The updated LASC Mission Statement is “Los Angeles Southwest College is committed to providing an environment for quality learning to enrich the lives of our diverse population.” General education outcomes should reflect the college’s mission. Dan Walden suggested the formation of a focus group to include representatives from faculty, staff, administration, and students. Djessica Harris felt that the SLO Committee would be able to provide the necessary input. Due to the lack of sufficient members present, further action and recommendations will be tabled to the next meeting.

8. Adjournment
The meeting was adjourned at 4:10 pm.

Respectively submitted by G. Yoshida