

# MINUTES

## GOVERNANCE COUNCIL – May 20, 2024

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**Members Present:** Matt Seimears, Lucas Myers, Kristen Finnel, Wendy Hall, Sue Orchard, Kendra Sprague, Nolan Wheeler, Michal Ann Ure, Catie Graham, Mark Gaither, Alex Brehm, Abbie Leavens, and Bryanna Doumit.

1. **Approval of Minutes**

**MOTION:** By Michal Ann Ure, seconded by Catie Graham,  
  
That the minutes of April 3, 2024 be approved as presented.

**MOTION CARRIED unanimously**

2. **Policy Review:** Kendra Sprague shared policy 272- Complaints & Grievances. Kendra noted that the policy was created to address an accreditation standard. Wendy noted that there is a checklist to assure that all standards are being met, and this policy addresses one of the items on the checklist. Michal Ann noted that there may be some sections of the policy that could be adjusted to fit the recently approved plain language policy. There will also be further discussion on how to provide easy access to students to make complaints/file grievances.
3. **Title IX Changes:** Kendra Sprague shared that the Department of Education has released new Title IX regulations that will affect LCC's Code of Student Conduct and harassment/discrimination policies and procedures. The new regulations go into effect August 1<sup>st</sup> and, as a result, there will be policy updates that will need approval from the Governance Council in the summer. The Trustees will be adopting the emergency rule during their July workshop. Kendra also noted that, as a result of the changes, it will become a requirement to provide Title IX training to all employees.
4. **Hiring Process-Failed Searches:** Lucas Myers noted that he would like the Governance Council to hold a discussion in June regarding LCC's hiring process. Some concerns were shared regarding the hiring committee structure and the scheduling of hiring committee meetings.
5. **Academic Calendar:** Sue Orchard presented the proposal from the calendar committee to approve the 2028-29 academic calendar and to make a modification to the 2026-27 and 2027-28 academic calendars. Governance Council approved the proposals.
6. **Other:** None

With no further comments, the meeting was adjourned at 4:00 PM.