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LACCD CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ELECTS NEW CHAIRMAN

*Committee Provides Citizen Oversight of Multi-Billion Dollar
Renovation and Construction Program Funded by Propositions A & AA*

Oct. 7, 2005 (LOS ANGELES) – The District Citizens' Oversight Committee (DCOC) for the Los Angeles Community College District (LACCD) has elected Jim Lynch chairman for the 2006-08 term. The Committee also elected Steven D. Manning to serve as vice chair of the DCOC for 2006-08.

Lynch will oversee the DCOC as it monitors the extensive campus improvement and building program at each of the nine Los Angeles community college campuses. The improvements are funded by the voter-approved bond measures Propositions A and AA.

Lynch brings a wealth of civic service experience to committee, and is the representative for West Los Angeles College (WLAC) to the DCOC and is also President of the West Los Angeles College Foundation. Lynch currently serves as the Vice President of Leadership Programs for the Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce and as Executive Director of the Leadership LA Foundation.

"I look forward to serving as chairman for this distinguished group of dedicated individuals whose concern is for the public interest, the students and the timely and efficient improvements to the nine campuses of California's largest community college district," said Lynch.

The District Citizens' Oversight Committee is comprised of one representative from each of the nine Los Angeles Community Colleges as well as representatives from other key constituency groups including organized labor, business and a taxpayer representative. The role of the Committee is to provide independent oversight of the District's expenditure of revenues received from Propositions A and AA.

The Community Colleges' construction and modernization projects receive funding from Propositions A and AA, two bond measures overwhelmingly approved by Los Angeles voters. Propositions A and AA are providing more than \$2.2 billion for new construction and renovations at each of the nine community college campuses. For more information on the bond program, visit the Web site at www.propositiona.org.

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