



Welding Technology Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

October 29, 2025 | 5:30 PM | L3500, 3507

Meeting Minutes

LPC Mission Statement

Las Positas College is an inclusive, learning-centered, equity-focused environment that offers educational opportunities and support for completion of students' transfer, degree, and career-technical goals while promoting lifelong learning.

LPC Planning Priorities

- ❖ Affirm LPC's unwavering commitment to equity by deepening campus-wide engagement, enhancing professional development, embedding equity-minded practices in decision-making, assessment, and accountability processes; and building capacity to resolve inequities.
- ❖ Increase student success and completion through sustainable college practices, processes, academic support, removal of barriers, and focused professional development.
- ❖ Establish a knowledge base and appreciation for health and wellness in the workplace; create a sense of urgency about wellness; prioritize wellness in decision-making, assessment and accountability; and build capacity to support wellness.

Welding Technology Advisory Board Members

Committee Members:

Steven Jones
Dan Musselman
Chris Bergh
Brian Cass
Ed Woodworth
Joe McNealy

Las Positas College Representatives:

Scott Miner
Anne Kennedy
Vicki Shipman
Mike McQuiston

Guests:

Ray Torario, Sandia National Labs

1. Call to Order

- Meeting called to order at 5:32 p.m.

2. Welcome and Introductions

- The advisory board members introduced themselves.

3. Review and Approval of Agenda, 10/29/2025

- Reviewed/Approved

4. Review and Approval of Minutes, 2/12/2024

- Reviewed/Approved

5. Faculty Report Industry Updates

- Enrollment is up and classes have been full.
- Registration for Spring begins in November.
- San Ramon Valley Unified School District CCAP agreement providing instruction to 20-25 students from San Ramon high schools to earn a 10-unit Production Welder certificate. The program is in its second year. Moving forward, we would like to open the program up to Tri-Valley high schools. Currently working with the Tri-Valley Regional Occupational Program to facilitate recruiting students for fall 2026.
- Transitioning to a compressed Calendar beginning Fall 2026. 18 weeks to 16 weeks.
- WLDT71 - Welding for Arts is being offered in the Spring. Attracts females which is good because there is a big push for women in the trades.
- WLDT 10 (machining) not being offered this Spring.
- Student Volunteers were helping out at Niles Canyon Railway.

6. Industry Updates

- Machine Service Technicians are in high demand.
- Ray talked about the need for technicians in his area.
- Joe shared that the Welding 70 Class at LHS; it has strong enrollment.
- FFA Welding Team

7. Recommendations from Advisory Board

8. Other Business

9. Next Regular Meeting

- TBD: we will look at including a Zoom option

10. Adjournment

