



February 1, 2022 | [Zoom Link](#)



(olivia's new cat Magnolia)

1. Welcome
 - Meeting Recording
2. [Swearing In of New Senators](#) (moved to next week)
3. Spring Semester Reopening Forum with VPSL Robin Holmes-Sullivan [6:35 - 7:15]

OW - robin is our new president, the forum is about spring reopening, the future hopes and plans. We have four candidates for the DOA!

Robin - i will talk about reopening, spring semester plans and student life updates. We have returned in person classes, we are doing well. That is going to happen, the CAS faculty is preparing. Almost all residential students have arrived on campus, you can tell that residential students are here. Over 1k students have moved in, that went really smoothly. We are expecting that the student staff and faculty will let us know our booster status by the 7th. We have adapted our quarantine and isolation policy. We do not have extra quarantine capacity, many study abroad trips were cancelled, we are still over 100% occupancy. When appropriate we are having students who test positive to shelter in place, we have covid bathrooms on most of the floors. That has allowed us to spread out our capacity. We are doing our biggest testing clinic this week and we wanted students to stagger arrival to deter covid. We had to automate a lot of contact tracing, most students who had covid had very mild symptoms gratefully. We

deliver food, antigen tests, and after the fifth day, you can leave quarantine with a clear test. We have designated food spots, and we have given masks for students to come and get their food. The negative tests come back really fast - within 24hrs. We are doing pooled testing so we will retest if there is a positive. If there is a positive, they are not told for two days. We had a 3-4% positivity rate, we were projecting a 6% positivity rate. So far we have been able to handle this. Staff and faculty who test positive have to follow the same procedure. On the 6th day you take an antigen test, because the PCR test is super sensitive, but after you have covid and have been tested the antigen tests are a little bit better. You should have a test on hand at home. We are asking students to hold off large in person events, we will hold until the end of february 25> people. By week two or three of february, if things look good we will change that. We want to be conservative seeing what it is like for everyone to return to campus. I want to help sponsor a spring fling thing, maybe ASB or CAB would throw something fun outside to celebrate returning to campus. Finally, we got the permits from the city to begin on templeton. You will hear and see it is a disaster, our poor health staff are working in the roof of the health building and it is not good. They are talking about alternatives when it is so noisy. The sooner the construction happens, the sooner it will be over. We will completely renovate stewart and odell creating a new campus living office in the front of Odell. Will be good to welcome students and parents. Two new sports, mens soccer and womens lacrosse. We are trying to make more multipurpose fields and improving our current fields. We will build restrooms, lockerrooms and turf the fields that will help our sports. We have a lot of good donor support for mens soccer, we hope the board will approve our spending on that. New center for social change and community involvement, it is a great opportunity and takes student leadership services. Provides programming and a larger scale. Alternative spring break to washington DC. increasing student engagement and more service learning. Will offer monetary rewards for doing projects in and around the city. We would like to get a new VPSL for July.

EY - if we are in a club like ASU planning events for the Lunar new year in february, we are struggling because of the covid restrictions which are appropriate and good, what should i tell them?

Robin - i suggest working with student engagement.

Rocky - it is up to student engagement, it has to do with the size, structure, and lots of other factors regarding your plans, eating and drinking. Is the food going to go?

MS - where are you going to put the students living in stewart and odell.

Robin - the construction will happen next year and we will have a complete plan allowing students to be there until the construction starts, or we will resume the triples that we had before.

SC - will we still have to wear N 95S

Robin - if the state of Oregon lifts the indoor mask mandate, we are restricting more than the state, if the state lifts then we will too. The need for higher grade masks was needed for the highest levels of covid. If people feel comfortable with cloth masks it is not a huge risk to people.

AK - is the student body going to give their input on the renovation for stewart and odell?

Robin - we always want student input we do not have many choices. There is not a whole lot to choose, but students can see the models and the envelope like what it will look like from the outside. We are bringing cooling and heat to the building. We do not have enough funds to install the solar, but I am trying to talk to donors about that as well. Anticipate spacious rooms and a variety of singles and doubles.

AC - in regards to the isolation bathrooms and going back to surgical masks. If we are moving towards lessening restrictions then our rates have gone back too.

SC - stewart and odell, it is not very accessible, would we make these more accessible and when renovating buildings will we

make them more wheelchair accessible.

Robin - we will make the bathrooms and rooms able to accommodate wheelchairs of course. We will not be able to put an elevator in that particular building. If someone needs an elevator, than we put them in buildings with elevators. Office of student accessibility - a lot of students have gotten injuries and the campus is difficult to walk. We will have a people mover to give people rides around campus and bring them back to residence halls. If this is popular and helpful we will get more, we are trying to find options.

EY - based on the high number of acceptance this year, will the same number happen next year or is it too early to ask?

Robin - of course we will tell you that information. We remain popular, we overshot last year and student life was celebrating student admissions. It was too much and we need to balance with the student experience. With applications, they are up 22%. They are good and strong, we wont know until mid march about how many we yielded. We give out a lot more offers than come back to us it is a guessing game. Almost everybody said yes last year, we do not know if it will happen, but it is a good sign. It is like last year, i have a feeling it will be around 650. We wouldnt have to triple up or anything, when we go above that it makes things more difficult.

MM - these are questions from the anonymous form. Robin will be back in a few weeks too, one of the questions “if a student doesnt receive a message about their test being negative before class should they attend classes” are classes hybrid accessible

Robin - no hybrid classes. Faculty is all remote or all in person. Many of the classes do not do one or the other, there is no plan for hybrid anything. We will do our best to return test results ASAP. if you didnt receive results contact covid19info@lclark.edu ?? we are pushing to work on weekends etc to get covid tests back as soon as possible.

AK - if someone gets a positive test, we dont go to class at all?

Robin - exactly you should notify your professor and they should tell you virtually about your assignments. If you need an accommodation other than you have to be isolated, if you are too sick contact OSA and ask for an accommodation. Most are having mild symptoms and can do basic work. That has to be for at least five days. The government saying that you can go after five days seems like a workplace issue, if you have covid like i tested positive for 8 days. Only 20-30% testing out on the 5th or 6th day. The best you can do is be boosted and avoid unnecessary contact.

MM - are there plans to support off campus students and faculty to get their tests?

Robin - if a student is symptomatic and needs to be tested, contact health services. In terms of antigen testing, the health center purchased tests and they are hard to get. We are prioritizing students, if a student on campus contracts it we give them two tests right away. We tell students to write in to the government, and otherwise you can request more by emailing the lc covid email. We have limited supplies but if you dont have the mask or test we would rather you ask for them than not use it.

MM - during construction are there plans to make the health center and staff more comfortable.

Robin - none of the solutions are good, the counseling service could stay in telehealth for the next month and the health services can use the counseling space. Then we can expand the health center space. We will continue asking the counseling center to stay off campus. They are working on this, we will communicate asap, these few weeks will be tough. We stayed in the building during renovation, this will be really inconvenient

MM - would that mean that the zoom rooms would no longer be available

Rocky - i don't think they are planning on taking them away they have been well used as long as it is not too loud in that area.

4. Director of Allocations Special Election [7:15 - as long as needed]

- [Candidate Information](#) (4 candidates)

OW - we only have two candidates now, you can talk about why you want to run, your experience, and any other information.

Josie won - 9 votes, 6 for Billie

Updates w/ Rocky [5 min]

Rocky - through the month of feb, we are hoping attendance is 25 or less. Communicate with the office of student engagement to increase that attendance limit. I think that size wise this will work or we could get an exception. I talked with cabinet earlier, there will be some changes to the pio on campus. You all have been a big part of the pio. Essentially it has to do with the templeton construction that only allows emergency vehicles. They will have to take two separate routes based on what the buses can handle.

5. [SB001](#) *[time permitting]*

6. [SB002](#) *[time permitting]*

7. Community Updates

8. [Land Acknowledgement Document](#)

- *Please read through this document, we will discuss it next week*
- *Email aslcvp@lclark.edu if you have other resources you'd like to add to this document*