



Office of the Vice President of Instruction & Student Services

TO: Maxine Salas
Luna Community College Board of Trustees

FROM: Kenneth Patterson 
Vice President of Instruction & Student Services

DATE: February 21, 2020

RE: Participation in Shared Governance

Just a quick note to express appreciation from the Shared Governance Council for your participation and input in this afternoon's Council meeting.

I'm not sure if you are aware, but the newly-revamped Shared Governance structure was purposefully created to actively solicit input and participation from a wide variety of stakeholders, including Board Trustees and community members at large to open the governance system as much as possible. They even go as far as to accept bills (requests) from those groups regarding policy and procedure. It's an impressive approach and you were the first person to validate what Shared Governance was trying to achieve in this new paradigm.

We often forget that the Shared Governance structure is not a closed system and that it was purposefully created with the intent of including value from every part of the Luna Community. Your input and comments during today's Council meeting demonstrated to everyone involved the importance of that highly-qualified outside perspective.

Thanks again for your willingness to be a part of this, and please, please feel free to do it again. You provide a great point of perspective and your participation in this system is invaluable to the institution.

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TO: Phyllis Martinez, Chair
Dianna Medrano, Vice Chair
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