# Welding Advisory Committee Spring 2021

# Agenda

**Location**: Zoom <https://laccd.zoom.us/j/93003588374?pwd=YVJVSWtTNnFxN0VRZUhMcUxsOVpVQT09>  
**Date**: Thursday, February 25, 2021  
**Facilitator(s)**: Lynn Rothstein, Interim Dean  
**Time**: **5:09 PM – 6:21 PM**

1. Call to order - Lynn Rothstein
2. Welcome - Lynn Rothstein
3. Introductions - Lynn Rothstein starts roundtable introductions

William Elarton-Selig, LATTC CMU Pathway Chair

Lisa Legohn, LATTC Professor of Welding

Che Chancy, LATTC Professor of Welding

Peter Martinovich, Goodheart-Willcox

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Mike Reese, LATTC, Vice President [reesems@lattc.edu](mailto:reesems@lattc.edu)

Jose Munoz, LATTC, & LBC Professor of Welding

Ruben Hernandez, LATTC, Professor of Welding

Darlene Thompson, LAPC Lead Professor of Welding

Denise M. Vukojevich, IUOE Local 501, JATC Director

Nathaniel Williams, UA Local 250 (nat.williams@ua250.org)

Renee Newell, ECC Lead Professor of Welding

Hector Carbajal, UA Local 250 Pipefitters and Welders (hector.carbajal.ua250.org)

Hugo Castaneda, Boilermakers Local 92

Diego Back, IUOE Local 501 ([dback@local501.org](mailto:dback@local501.org))

Mitch Ponce, Ironworkers Local 433

Rony Galvez, LATTC Welding & MTA Supervisor

Mercedes Gaitan, LATTC CMU Staff

1. Welding Discipline
   1. Presentation
      1. New Certificates – to help cover the students that come to LATTC for a specific skill.
         1. Shielded Metal Arc Welding (SMAW) Structural Steel (16-18 units)
         2. Gas Tungsten Arc Welding (GTAW) Ferrous and Non-Ferrous Metals (15- 18-unit Certificate)
   2. Discussion and brainstorming
      1. N. Williams – interested in students who are getting certified in Oxyacetylene. Looking to train 300 ppl from San Diego to Santa Maria.
      2. M. Ponce – Big boom at the LAX area, will you offer a prep course for the City exam? Flux Core and Light Gauge city certification are what we are looking for.

L. Legohn – Welding 143 and 133 covers preparation for Sheet & Structural steel certification.

W. Elarton-Selig – LATTC is a test site for practical exam.

R. Newell – City backlogged about 200 ppl for testing. They just opened up again due to COVID-19.

* + 1. L. Legohn – Need a Flux Core class every semester. Our scheduling is bad. The schedules should not conflict day, afternoon or evenings classes.

R. Newell – ECC offers day, afternoon, evening schedules with no conflicts.

* + 1. N. Williams – Teach more Math, blueprint, layout and Gas Welding classes
    2. M. Ponce – We have an apprenticeship, finish iron works, blueprints, certs
    3. L. Legohn – Chip what are you looking for in a student

C. Gosnell – Reading a tape measure down to a 64th. We will teach them Millwright math. AWS cert and keeping it current. They could place higher than 1st semester. We require HS diploma or GED

* + 1. L. Rothstein – What are the gaps that you are seeing? What are your expectations for the base knowledge when they get hired? Will be reaching out to you so when you get our grads you are confident of what skills the students will have. We just want to create the best graduates for you.
    2. M. Reese - Does virtual welding work for teaching?

L. Legohn – No, you cannot simulate the work

R. Newell – We have one, we let them use it but then they go back to their booths.

D. Thompson – I use it to introduce K-12 to welding.

C. Gosnell – I don’t have faith. You cannot simulate the environment.

L. Rothstein – Use it at recruitment events

N. Williams – The more you know, the further you go. As much info as you can teach them will help us out.

* + 1. R. Newell – Are there incentives to hire females?

M. Reese – http://www.iwitts.org

1. New business – no new business
2. Adjournment

L. Rothstein adjourned the meeting at 6:21pm

Respectfully Submitted by: Mercedes Gaitan

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