

AGENDA ITEM 8.O.

RE: Approve Modifications to Laredo College Policy AD(LOCAL)-EDUCATIONAL ROLE, MISSION, PURPOSE, AND RESPONSIBILITY

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the proposed revisions to AD(LOCAL), Educational Role, Mission, Purpose, and Responsibility, as presented.

BACKGROUND: AD(LOCAL) contains Laredo College's mission statement, vision statement, core values, vision and mission review process, and statement of ethics. The existing mission, vision, and core values were adopted before the development of the College's 2025–2030 Strategic Plan.

The proposed revisions replace the existing mission statement, vision statement, and core values with the corresponding language contained in the 2025–2030 Strategic Plan. The updated policy will incorporate the following institutional statements and values:

- **Mission:** Laredo College, a Hispanic-Serving Institution, is committed to transforming students' lives through high-quality, innovative, and affordable programs and services. By leveraging emerging technologies and fostering lifelong learning, Laredo College equips students with the knowledge and skills to positively impact local, regional, national, and global development.
- **Vision:** Laredo College aspires to cultivate graduates who drive positive change and make meaningful contributions to communities and the world.
- **Core Values:** Integrity, Excellence, Innovation, Service, and Wellness.

The proposed revision aligns AD(LOCAL) with the institutional direction established in the 2025–2030 Strategic Plan. The existing provisions addressing the vision and mission review process and the College's statement of ethics will remain unchanged.

BUDGETARY CONSIDERATIONS: None anticipated. The proposed revisions are policy and governance-related and can be implemented using existing institutional resources.

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