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Dear Pacifica Community,

As the Campus Consolidation Committee, we are pleased to share the following updates with you around our campus transition planning and progress:

Project Managers and Architects

In our communication at the end of June, we relayed that the local firm, TynanGroup, had been secured to lead the professional management of this project, which includes the renovation/improvement of spaces at the Ladera campus, safety and accessibility compliance, and the move off the Lambert campus. We can now also report we have contracted with the architectural firm DMHA, to work on the plans and designs for renovation of Ladera spaces. The committee will soon review initial findings and proposals from DMHA based on their analysis of our structures.

To confirm, the first phase of this move to a single campus that will allow *our transition to all being at Ladera during the 2026-2027 academic year* will not involve any construction of new building or structures on campus – we are looking at how/where to renovate or repurpose existing buildings to accommodate additional classroom, library, and office needs.

Subcommittee Reports

A set of subcommittees have formed in our Campus Consolidation Committee under the guidance of members. Here are some details and updates on those:

Academics – Led by our faculty reps (Dr. Mary A. Wood and Dr. Monica Mody) and our program staff rep (Maddie Hodges), we are examining the logistics and nuances for how programs will share time and spaces on campus. Surveys just recently closed that allowed faculty and program chairs/staff to offer their deeper perspectives and details on how programs currently and foresee use of classroom, outdoor, office, and other campus

spaces. An analysis of findings will help with classroom determination, session scheduling, best practices, and any upgrades/improvements.

Office Space – Through Deneatrice Lewis (VP, People, Culture, and Belonging) and Adam Brown (Director of Campus Operations), the committee has been examining office space needs through analysis of a previously completed survey and review of present and future needs to determine who and where there are private offices, shared offices, meeting spaces, and other needs for our in-person and hybrid employee workforce.

Aesthetics – Being organized through Nicole Kitzmann (Associate Director of Student Residential Services) and Mariana Chamu (Executive Assistant to the President), the committee is also examining what aesthetic and artistic modifications can be made at Ladera, including buildings/rooms as well as outdoor spaces. Of particular importance to this work is to ensure the aesthetics align with the learning experience and Pacifica traditions, as well as the indigenous traditions of the land and our area. A request for feedback from the community on these areas will be going out in the near future.

ADA – Adjustments to the spaces also provide the opportunity to enhance their accessibility, not just to maintain compliance with standards but also to make certain we are meeting the needs of all students, employees, and campus visitors.

Honoring Lambert

A work group has also been formed and begun meeting with a focus on the plans for how Pacifica will honor both our 50th anniversary and the Lambert Campus in 2026. Comprised of representatives from faculty, staff, and alumni, this group is evaluating ideas and needs around themes, events/gatherings, communications and materials for the 50th and transition off Lambert – distinct yet aligned initiatives. Community feedback on some of these areas has already come in through the transition form, with additional input to be requested before final decisions are made over the coming months.

Of top priority is to provide the appropriate support and facilitation of gatherings that honor what the Lambert Campus has meant to many. This work also includes a process for transitioning class gifts and other meaningful campus symbols and totems. We have already begun hearing from some alumni on this and will be in communication in the weeks ahead on how these decisions will be made and any gatherings held.

We appreciate the collective participation in all this work and encourage questions, ideas, or feedback that come to our committee through the designated surveys, forms, or emails to campusconsolidation@pacific.edu. You can also continue to find information on our [Campus Transition webpage](#).

Sincerely,

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