

Minutes of the Executive Council

SEPTEMBER 2025

The Executive Council oversees the affairs of the Association, and for corporate purposes shall be considered as its Board of Directors.

The Executive Council consists of: eleven voting members (the past president, the president, the vice president, the treasurer, a graduate student, and six elected members) and the following ex officio members with voice but no vote: the executive director of LASA, the Editor of *Latin American Research Review (LARR)*, the current congressional program chairs, the editors of the *Latin America Research Commons (LARC)*, the Strategic Plan Oversight Committee and two section advisory representatives.

	Action Items	Vote/Consensus
1	The minutes and Actions and Consensus from May 2025 are approved.	Vote: Approved unanimously with 9 votes in favor.
2	The agenda is presented for approval. The President's report is moved to the end.	Approved by consensus.
3	The need to incorporate recommendations from the different committees to improve their functioning is discussed.	Approved unanimously (10 votes).
4	The possibility of forming a committee to review LASA's policies, procedures, and overall functioning is considered. The aim is to engage in an internal and retrospective assessment of LASA in order to determine whether these should be updated, refined, changed, or remain as they are.	Approved by consensus: to create a Governance Task Force, pending receipt of the terms of reference. The proposal should include the names of potential members of the group. The W&M proposal includes: José Cal, María Eugenia Ulfe, and past presidents Gerardo Otero and Debra Castillo (†).

5	To establish a subcommittee to assist in preparing the call for members who will form the Strategic Plan Committee on the occasion of the Association's 60th anniversary.	Approved unanimously (10 votes): -To create a subcommittee to assist in preparing the call for members who will form the Strategic Plan Committee. -The subcommittee will be composed of Gisela Zaremberg, Cristián Opazo, Julieta Suárez-Cao, and Xóchitl Bada (EC), along with two former presidents: Gioconda Herrera and Evelyne Huber.
6	After hearing the selection process and the recommendation of the Sites Subcommittee, it is proposed that LASA2027 be held at UNAM (Mexico).	Approved unanimously (10 votes): that LASA2027 be held at UNAM (Mexico).
7	Likewise, following the recommendations of the Sites Subcommittee, it is proposed that LASA2028 be held at UDP-Huechuraba (Chile).	Approved unanimously (10 votes): that LASA2028 be held at UDP-Huechuraba (Chile).
8	In the same vein, it is proposed to inform Universidad Iberoamericana that the possibility of organizing a future congress remains open, potentially at the continental level.	Agreed by consensus: to inform Universidad Iberoamericana that the possibility of organizing a future congress remains open.
9	Due to lack of time.	Agreed by consensus: to move the LACC report to the December agenda.
10	There are two types of statements in LASA: those submitted to the Academic Freedom and Human Rights Commission, which, once approved, are forwarded to the EC for approval and subsequent publication; and those received by the Executive Director, consisting of statements issued by other associations requesting LASA's endorsement, which are also submitted to the EC for approval. It is proposed that all statements be reviewed by the Academic Freedom and Human Rights Commission prior to being approved by the EC.	Approved unanimously (8 votes): that all statements be referred to the Academic Freedom and Human Rights Commission for its recommendation to the EC.
11	Members of the EC review the statement from the International Education Coalition, which requests LASA's support against funding cuts.	Approved unanimously (8 votes): to endorse the statement of the International Education Coalition on behalf of LASA.

GOVERNANCE

Elected Members of the Executive Council

Maxwell Cameron, President, *University of British Columbia*

Gisela Zaremborg, Vice President / President Elect, *FLACSO- Mexico*

Javier Guerrero, Past President, *Princeton University*

Mónica Espinosa Arango, Treasurer, *Universidad de los Andes*

Constanza Tabbush, Incoming Treasurer, *UN Women- Argentina*

Camelia Nicoleta Tigau, Elected Member, *Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México*

María Eugenia Ulfe, Elected Member, *Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú*

José Edgardo Cal Montoya, Elected Member, *Universidad de San Carlos de Guatemala* **

Cristián Opazo, Elected Member, *Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile*

Julieta Suarez-Cao, Elected Member, *Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile*

Xóchitl Bada, Elected Member, *University of Illinois/Chicago*

Verónica Valencia González, Student Representative, *University of California, Irvine* *

Ex-Officio Members of the Executive Council

Milagros Pereyra-Rojas, Executive Director, *University of Pittsburgh*

Manuel Roman-Lacayo, Deputy Director, *University of Pittsburgh*

Juan Pablo Luna, Program Co-Chair, *McGill University* *

Adela Pineda-Franco, Program Co-Chair, *University of Texas, Austin* *

Natalia Sobrevilla, Program Co-Chair, *Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú*

Marcial Suarez, Sections Representative, *Fluminense Federal University* **

Beatriz Padilla, Sections Representative, *University of South Florida*

Carmen Martínez Novo, Editor of LARR, *University of Florida*

Natalia Majluf, Editor of LARC, *Independent* *

Francisco Valdés Ugalde, Editor of LARC, *Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México* *

Other Participants

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* Absent

** Partial attendance

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