ACCREDITATION RESPONSE TASK FORCE MEETING 4.25.13

1. **New Subgroup Recommendations for Implementation**
   a. Subgroup III – Draft and propose new Board Policies and Administrative procedures codifying the steps for hiring management, classified management and confidential classified employees.

2. **COSTA Pilot Program** – We have reached a formal agreement between our District and COSTA for a “Pilot Program” which describes the conditions for which Student Learning Outcomes can be referenced relative to faculty evaluation and inclusion on course syllabi. We are appreciative of the cooperative spirit of all parties to achieve this important requirement for our accreditation! The Pilot Program agreement is attached for your review.

3. **CSEA/COSAFA** – No new activity to report at this time

4. Next COS District-wide Response Task Force Community Forum will be **Wednesday May 15th from 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. in the Ponderosa Building**. Important information sharing. Please attend!

5. **COS Board Workshop on Accreditation** *(Presented by ACCJC Executive Dr. Barbara Beno)* – Monday, June 17, 2013 from 1:00 – 3:30 p.m. Room 1

**ACCREDITATION SUMMIT 1 WAS HELD THIS PAST SATURDAY**

Part 1 of the COS Accreditation Summit series presented by Academic Senate was held in the Porter Field House this past Saturday. By all accounts this workshop was a great success. Eighty (80) faculty/staff/community/Board members attended (see attached candid). Academic Senate provided a structure and facilitator to assist the entire group in being able to review/discuss and provide feedback on Accreditation Recommendations 1, 2 and 7. These recommendations are “Planning,” “Campus Dialogue,” and “Evaluation of Processes” respectively. Each subgroup was able to share what they have done so far to respond to each recommendation in these three areas. The group was able to ask clarifying questions, engage in table and whole-group discussion and then provide commendations and recommendations for each subgroup on each item. The results of these recommendations will now go back to each subgroup to review and address in refining and completing the accreditation responses.

We want to thank Academic Senate for its leadership in this effort. We especially want to thank Senate President Michele Hester-Reyes, Thea Trimble, Christian Anderson and Joni Jordan for their work to organize the process. We want to thank adjunct faculty member Amy Dwelle for her support on all the logistics. We want to thank Terry Gray in Tech Services for volunteering to video and archive this workshop for access on our website. We want to thank Jennifer La Serna and her office for all their help.
We want to thank Adjunct faculty member, Nancy Ruble for serving as the facilitator for the entire day. Finally, we want to sincerely thank all the faculty, staff, managers and community who volunteered their time on a Saturday to attend and engage in this important work together. It was a tremendous show of genuine commitment to COS and the importance of working together for the greater good of our district. Thank you!

Part 2 of the Accreditation Summit series is set for Tuesday evening May 7, 2013 from 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. location to be finalized based on sign-ups.

Respectfully,

*Stan A. Carrizosa*

Attachments:
- Accreditation Summit (Photo)
- SLO Pilot Program