ACCREDITATION RESPONSE TASK FORCE MEETING OF APRIL 4, 2013

For our general information please note that Dr. La Serna and I co-lead the RTF weekly meetings. Each RTF Subgroup now has co-chair responsibilities shared by one administrator and one faculty/staff member. Subgroups are now presenting recommendations for actions to be taken in response to the accreditation recommendations they are working to address. Each Sub group is helping to identify content to respond to both the specific ACCJC recommendations for improvement AND the Accreditation Standards in these areas. Below is a list of the recommendations approved for implementation at last Thursday’s RTF meetings.

1. **Subgroup Standard III- Resources: Confidential Classified Employee Hiring Policies – Approved 4.4.13**
2. **Subgroup Standard III- Resources: Management Hiring Policies – Approved 4.4.13**
3. **Subgroup Standard III- Resources: Interim Management Hiring Policies – Approved 4.4.13**
4. **Subgroup Standard III- Resources: Resource Allocation Model – Communicate w/subgroups IV and I to align w/ Integrated Planning, Governance & Decision-making and Assessment cycles**
5. **Subgroup IIB & IIC: Evening Counseling – Approved 4.4.13**
6. **Subgroup IIB & IIC: Online Counseling on Featured Links – Approved 4.4.13**
7. **Subgroup IIB & IIC: Data Request-Online Student Population – Approved 4.4.13**
8. **Subgroup IIB & IIC: Online Counseling/Questions Rotating Pic on Front Page– Approved 4.4.13**
9. **Subgroup IIB & IIC: Online Counseling/ Data Collection Point Form Change – Approved 4.4.13**
10. **Subgroup IIB & IIC: Student Data Touch Points – CEIS Report– Approved 4.4.13**
11. **Subgroup IIB & IIC: Email Blast Regarding Online Counseling– Approved 4.4.13**
12. **Subgroup IIB & IIC: Ask the Giant/ Intelliresponse – Continue pursuing multi-funded cost proposal for both implementation and ongoing subscription costs.**

STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES WORKSHOPS

We also had Dr. Robert Pacheco on campus last Friday. He is our consultant guiding **Subgroup IIA** in our efforts to plan and implement our requirements for Student Learning Outcomes. We must also map these to Program Outcomes and create Administrative Unit Outcomes to measure our non-instructional departments. He met with all Management Council for two hours in the morning and then all interested faculty for four hours mid-day. There were seventy-five faculty who participated and we thank you so much for your time and involvement in this critical work! We are all continuing work on either writing, refining our SLO or Unit outcomes. We are also working on SLO assessments and schedules for reflection/collaboration on assessment data results. Dr. Pacheco will be back to lead hands-on workshops to complete written SLO’s on **Friday, May 3, 2013**. More details to follow...

COS INTEGRATED PLANNING MANUAL AND GOVERNANCE & DECISION-MAKING MANUAL

RTF Subgroups I and IV are completing final drafts of these important manuals that will identify, explain and describe the participants roles/responsibilities and processes for COS governance, decision-making, program planning and program evaluation. These manuals will be working their way through College Council and Academic Senate in the next four weeks and be completed by May. We are planning
another round of District-wide open forums to present and explain these new processes to the entire staff/faculty and transition for immediate implementation. More to follow...

**COS ACADEMIC SENATE PLANNING ACCREDITATION SUMMIT**
The Executive Board for Academic Senate is planning to facilitate an “Accreditation Summit.” They are planning a voluntary Saturday workshop for all staff/faculty, COS Board members, ACAC members and interested public to join together for a comprehensive update on the status of each subgroup’s work on each recommendation and standard. We are at that point now where we need to start looking at our work in its entirety and discuss and align activities/actions between subgroups so we have one cohesive approach to our responses as we prepare to draft our actual Show Cause Report. The tentative date being considered for this workshop is **Saturday, April 27, 2013 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.** More details about co-hosts and agenda for the day will be forthcoming from Academic Senate.

**ACCREDITATION COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE**
Our ACAC is scheduled to meet again this **Friday April 12, 2013.** They will continue to hear updates on all our progress to date. They will receive a schedule of our upcoming workshops, forums to attend. They continue to draft guest editorial and letters to the editor to share their experiences in the response process and public support for our RTF and subgroup work.

**COS BOARD OF TRUSTEES**
The Board of Trustees is attending a workshop in Kings County this Friday to learn more about the **Student Success Act** and specifically the **Board’s role in the Accreditation process.** In addition, we have tentatively set **Monday, June 17, 2013** as the date for an Accreditation workshop for the Board here on our campus. We will also be inviting faculty/staff, executive boards from Academic Senate, COSTA, CSEA, COSAFA. **Dr. Barbara Beno** will be here to present this workshop and we will have more specific details as we finalize our plans.

**COSTA/CSEA/COSAFA**
No new activities/plans to report this week.

Respectfully,

*Stan A. Carrizosa*