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November 12, 2014

Memo to:

Dr. Bill Scroggins

From:

Barbara Beno

Beno Indiana (1)

Subject:

ACCJC ad hoc Annual Conference Advisory Committee

I am grateful that you have agreed to serve on the *ad hoc* Annual Conference Advisory Committee that will advise ACCJC as it plans and executes an annual conference on accreditation and best practices. You were suggested for this advisory role by Dr. Frank Gornick, and we appreciate your willingness to serve.

During ACCJC's review of Accreditation Standards and practices, some member institutions indicated they want the ACCJC to offer an annual conference that would provide opportunity for member representatives to participate in conversation about accreditation, offer training in accreditation and quality assurance matters, bring national experts on best practices to the region, and showcase institutional best practices exhibited by member institutions that could be shared throughout the region.

The Commission's Evaluation and Planning Committee (E and P Committee) is charged with planning and executing a conference, targeted for the 2015-16 academic year. The *ad hoc* Advisory Committee will be providing advice and assistance to the E and P Committee and ACCJC staff. In order to begin the planning, we are going to have an initial meeting of this *ad hoc* Advisory Committee by conference call before the end of this semester. President John Zimmerman of MTI College will be chairing this first meeting; John is also the chair of the Evaluation and Planning Committee.

My assistant, Cheri Sixbey, will be contacting you via email to arrange a time for the first conference call that will maximize participation. I know this is a busy time of year, so rest assured that we'll keep notes of the meeting and share them with you should you be unable to attend this first call.

Thank you once again for your willingness to help ACCJC launch an annual conference. We believe the member institutions will be well served by this event.

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P.S. In lieu of a large annual conference *this* academic year, ACCJC is scheduling a 1.5 day conference on limited topics for April 23-24. A preliminary survey of interest was sent to member institutions' CEOs and ALOs last week, and there was a very strong positive response. This interest bodes well for the larger annual conference planned for 2015-16.

Attachment

ACCJC ad hoc Annual Conference Advisory Committee Members November 2014

Convening: ACCJC President Barbara Beno and Commissioner John Zimmerman

- 1. President John Zimmerman, MTI College and Commissioner
- 2. Ms. Susan Kazama, Faculty, Kapiolani Community College and Commissioner and Vice
- 3. Dr. Helen Benjamin, Chancellor, Contra Costa CCD
- 4. Dr. Joe Daisy, President, College of Micronesia FSM
- 5. Dr. Cindy Miles, Chancellor, Grossmont-Cuyamaca CCD
- 6. Dr. Ray Somera, Vice President of Instruction, Guam Community College
- 7. Dr. Brian King, Chancellor, Los Rios CCD
- 8. Dr. Bill Scroggins, Superintendent/President, Mt. San Antonio CCD
- 9. Mr. David Morse, Faculty, Academic Senate (Long Beach City College)
- 10. Mr. Avid Spor, Vice President of Student Services, Citrus College
- 11. Dr. Eva Bagg, Dean of Institutional Effectiveness, Long Beach City College
- 12. Dr. Danika Bowen, Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs, Carrington College
- 13. Dr. Kathleen Burke, President, Los Angeles Pierce College

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