WORKGROUP I: IMPROVING ACCJC STRUCTURE, FUNCTION, AND RELATIONS

Goal

Representatives from California community colleges and other ACCJC member institutions will work with ACCJC commissioners to immediately undertake significant improvements in the structure and functioning of the Commission to address long-standing concerns of its members, giving special attention to the concerns noted by the U.S. Department of Education requiring compliance by October 2016.

Responsibilities

- 1. Workgroup will meet beginning in April 2016 to develop a plan, with timeline and measurable outcomes, which will be submitted to the ACCJC Commission for action at its June 2016 meeting to institute changes for improvement.
- 2. Lead and monitor ongoing implementation of changes.
- 3. Provide regular updates of the group's activities and progress to ACCJC members and the CEOCCC Board, as well as formal quarterly progress reports.

Topics for the workgroup to address include the following:

- 1. staff/leadership assessment;
- 2. Commission size and composition;
- 3. process for selecting commissioners to enhance constituent representation and transparency of nominations and elections;
- 4. financial transparency of the Commission, including release of annual financial statements, debts, and obligations;
- 5. redesigned team member selection and training system reflecting transparency, consistency, quality, and use of technology;
- 6. assignment of senior commission staff member to each institution undergoing accreditation review:
- 7. clear and consistent communication (print, electronic and in person); and
- 8. system for member evaluation of the Commission, including feedback to the field on evaluation results and subsequent improvements.

Members

California Community College CEOs

Helen Benjamin Chancellor, Contra Costa CCD, Convener Michael Claire President, San Mateo College (San Mateo CCD)

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Jowel LaGuerre Chancellor, Peralta CCD

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WORKGROUP II: WESTERN REGION HIGHER EDUCATION ACCREDITING MODEL

Long-Range Goal

Facilitate communication between representatives of regional accreditors and institutional members from various sectors of higher education to pursue a model for regional accreditation that aligns all segments of higher education in the Western region.

Responsibilities

- 1. Workgroup will convene as quickly as possible to develop a framework for assessing the regional higher education accrediting landscape and determining the best approach for regional alignment and steps for implementation.
- 2. Workgroup will provide quarterly updates to the region beginning no later than September 1, 2016.

Members

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