ACCREDITATION TEAM VISIT

October 18 - 21, 2010

Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges
Western Association of Schools and Colleges
Saddleback College

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SCHEDULE

Monday, October 18, 2010
9:30 - 12 noon Chancellor and District Personnel Interviews

Tuesday, October 19, 2010
8:00 - 9:00 a.m. Welcome Reception Breakfast
9:00 - 9:30 a.m. Campus Tour
9:30 - 12 noon College Interviews
1:30 - 5:00 p.m. College Interviews
5:00 - 6:00 p.m. College-wide Open Meeting – Student Services Center, Room 212
5:00 - 7:00 p.m. South Orange County Community College District Board of Trustees Interviews

Wednesday, October 20, 2010
9:00 - 12 noon College Interviews
11:00 - 12 noon College-wide Open Meeting – Student Services Center, Room 212
1:30 - 5:00 p.m. College Interviews

Thursday, October 21, 2010
11:30 - 12 Noon Team Chair will meet with President Burnett
1:00 - 2:00 p.m. Exit Interview:
The Team Chair will conduct a closing session for the College community to acquaint them with the Team’s general findings and major recommendations – Ronald Reagan Auditorium, Health Science Building
Dr. Joan Smith serves as the Interim Chancellor and Chief Executive Officer of the Yosemite Community College District and is responsible for the District’s total operation. Dr. Smith acts as advisor to the Board of Trustees, administers Board-adopted policies and represents the Board in its relationship with students, staff and District residents.

Dr. Smith has a strong personal commitment to students—all students. She believes in the personal dignity and full potential of every individual and that student-centered learning is the hallmark of excellent instructional, vocational and student services programs. Her educational philosophy is: “To have a meaningful learning environment, it must be diverse in its academic offerings as well as its student population to include students with diverse socioeconomic, cultural, ethnic backgrounds and special needs. It must be the goal of any district mission to fully embrace a diverse student population and work with the college communities and the communities at large to enhance the quality of life of all those served. I am passionate about this charge, and have worked to this end during my career in higher education and will continue to do as the interim chancellor of the YCCD.”

Dr. Smith joined the Yosemite Community College District in January of 2007 as Columbia College’s President and has served in that capacity until her appointment to Interim Chancellor of the District, in August of 2010. The positions held by Dr. Smith throughout her career allowed her to gain excellent instruction, student services and administrative experience. She has also served as the Executive Vice President of Student Learning at Ventura College (2002-2007); and held various dean positions at both Ventura College and Oxnard College in the Instructional, Vocational and Student Services areas for over 10 years. She began her higher education career as a counselor and instructor at Oxnard College in 1980 and served in that capacity for 12 years. Dr. Smith is a proven leader in instruction, student services and economic development.

Prior to her association with community colleges, Dr. Smith was a hospital administrator and freelance writer. Her educational background includes an earned doctorate in higher education leadership from Nova Southeastern University, Fort Lauderdale, FL and advanced studies on contemporary issues in higher education at Harvard University, Cambridge, MA.
EVA BAGG, Ph.D.
Associate Dean of Institutional Effectiveness
Long Beach City College

Dr. Eva Bagg has been the Associate Dean of Institutional Effectiveness at Long Beach City College since 2008. She has served as Accreditation Liaison Officer at Barstow Community College and is currently the ALO at Long Beach.

Dr. Bagg has been a researcher in the California Community Colleges for nearly a decade. She also served as Instructor of Anthropology at Barstow Community College and taught as an adjunct instructor at Southwestern College. She holds her doctorate in Anthropology from the University of California, San Diego.

MS. KATHY BLACKWOOD
Chief Financial Officer
San Mateo County CCD

Kathy Blackwood is the Chief Financial Officer for San Mateo County Community College District. Prior to that, she was the Budget Officer for Foothill-De Anza Community College District. Ms. Blackwood represents Area 3, which includes the northern SF Bay Area, in the Association of Chief Business Officials (ACBO), a statewide group of California Community College CBOs. She also teaches a session on budgets and budgeting for the ACBO Institute, an eight-day training program for new and aspiring CBOs.

Ms. Blackwood has a BS in Business with an emphasis in accounting from San Jose State University and an MBA with an emphasis in strategic leadership from Western Governors University.
RENÉE DeLONG CHOMIAK, Ed.D.  
Dean of Counseling Services  
Cerritos College

Dr. Renée DeLong Chomiak began her journey working in the community college system 24 years ago when she was a psychology faculty member at Lincoln Land Community College in Springfield, Illinois, which also happens to be her alma mater. Dr. DeLong Chomiak is currently the Dean of Counseling Services and also a part-time psychology faculty member at Cerritos College in Norwalk, California. She has been working at Cerritos College since 2001 and was formerly the CalWORKs and PACE (weekend college program) manager on campus.

Dr. DeLong Chomiak is also the Matriculation Coordinator at Cerritos College, and she oversees the following programs: counseling, articulation, matriculation, transfer center, re-entry, assessment, CalWORKs, Puente, job placement, and career services.

Dr. DeLong Chomiak has associate’s, bachelor’s, and master’s degrees in psychology, as well as a second master’s degree in theology/marriage and family therapy. In addition, she has a doctorate in educational leadership and administration specializing in community college and higher education from UC Irvine/CSU Long Beach.

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DR. ADAM KARP  
Interim Assistant Dean of Science & Engineering  
American River College

Dr. Adam Karp is currently serving as the Interim Assistant Dean of Science & Engineering at American River College in Sacramento. Prior to that, he served as a faculty member in the college’s Foreign Language Department, where he taught Spanish for eleven years. A dedicated member of the Curriculum Committee for eight years, he recently concluded his tenure of service on the committee as Curriculum Chair. Dr. Karp is committed to supporting student success, and he is passionate about innovative approaches for meeting present and future challenges involving community college students.
SUSAN LORIMER, Ed.D.
Vice President of Instruction
Folsom Lake College

Dr. Susan Lorimer has served as Vice President of Instruction at Folsom Lake College (FLC) since its initial accreditation in January 2004. Her prior positions include Dean of Planning, Research and Development, Matriculation Coordinator, and Counselor at American River College (ARC), as well as Health Center Nurse at Sierra College. She has served as the Accreditation Liaison Officer at both FLC and ARC and has participated on four comprehensive accreditation team visits for community colleges in California and Hawaii, as well as on several follow-up visits.

JAMILLAH MOORE, Ed.D.
President
Los Angeles City College

Dr. Jamillah Moore brings 15 years of educational, policy, instruction and advocacy experience to her role as President of Los Angeles City College.

Dr. Moore began her career in advocacy as a California State Senate fellow in public policy for Senator Teresa P. Hughes. In 1996, she was appointed as senior consultant for the California State Senate Select Committee on College and University Admissions and Outreach. She then went to work for the Los Angeles County Office of Education as the Director of Governmental Relations. In 2004, Dr. Moore joined the System Office of the California Community Colleges as a Senior Vice-Chancellor for Governmental and External Relations. Shortly after taking the post she was officially appointed to the position by Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger.

In 2005, she led the state recovery team for one year as the Interim President of Compton Community College, working to sustain educational opportunities for the students in that community. While there, she took the lead in advocating and obtaining successful passage of a $30 million recovery loan under Assembly Bill 318 for Compton College. She also worked with Congress and college personnel to establish the first of its kind Major League Baseball Urban Youth Academy Program at Compton Community College. The program is designed to increase
participation and interest in baseball, encourage academic participation and achievement, and promote greater inclusion of minorities into the mainstream of the game. The academy is open to elementary, middle and high school-aged students in the Compton community.

Dr. Moore’s accomplishments, skills, educational background, and training reflect a commitment to the philosophy and mission of California Community Colleges. Her career, at every level, has been a reflection of the college mission of an inclusive and effective learning and working environment for all. Dr. Moore’s position as a former College President/District Superintendent and as a statewide Vice-Chancellor has prepared her to assume greater responsibility as a collaborative leader at the local, district and state levels. She began her teaching career at Sierra Community College and has never lost sight of her teaching roots. On occasion she has returned to the classroom as an adjunct professor in the Communication Studies and Multicultural Education Departments at California State University, Sacramento. Dr. Moore used her experience in higher education and public policy to write her first book, *Race and College Admissions: A Case for Affirmative Action*.

Dr. Moore’s passion for community colleges is evident as her leadership extends to issues at both the state and federal levels. Always putting students and those in most need at the forefront, she enjoys the challenges of developing and sustaining programs and policies that will continue the over-75-year tradition of education excellence in the Los Angeles Community College District.

Dr. Moore is a native of Los Angeles County and the daughter of an LACC alumna. She is a graduate of the University of San Francisco, where she earned a doctorate in International and Multicultural Education. She is also a former EOP student and graduate of California State University, Sacramento, where she earned a master’s in Intercultural Communication and Public Policy, and a bachelor of arts in Communication.
MS. MARCIA ROBERTS-DEUTSCH
Professor, Division Chair for Humanities and Social Sciences
Honolulu Community College

Marcia Roberts-Deutsch was raised in Hawai`i before leaving for further education on the mainland. After completing her undergraduate work in Sociology with honors at Harvard University, she spent two-and-a-half years living in Quito, Ecuador. Returning to the U.S., she worked at the University of California at Santa Cruz as Director of Student Affairs for College 5 (now Porter College.) She received her MFA in Printmaking from Stanford University and returned to the islands to live and work as an educator, artist and arts writer. She has worked in the University of Hawai`i system since 1980 and at Honolulu Community College since 1984, where she is tenured as Professor of Art, and also teaches Women’s Studies.

She currently serves as Division Chair for Humanities and Social Sciences, Chair of the college’s Committee on Programs and Curricula, and as Accreditation Liaison Officer.

MR. NICK STAVRIANOUDAKIS
(Assistant)
Director of External Affairs
Yosemite Community College District

Nick Stavrianoudakis is the District Public Affairs Director for the Yosemite Community College District, and has served in that role since 2001. Prior to this position, his primary experience was in the area of local economic development in Stanislaus, San Joaquin and Merced counties. His service to California’s Central Valley communities included as Director of Economic Development, Small Business Development Center Director, and as adjunct economics professor at Merced College. He has an MA in Economics from the University of Colorado, Boulder, and a BA in Economics from CSU Stanislaus.
DR. ROGER W. WAGNER  
Superintendent/President  
Copper Mountain College  

Dr. Roger W. Wagner has been the Superintendent/President of Copper Mountain College since 2008 after having served one year as the Vice President for Academic Affairs. Prior to his positions at Copper Mountain, he held positions as Dean of Career and Technical Education, Dean of Economic Development, and Associate Dean of Instruction at Crowder College located in Southwest Missouri. Dr. Wagner has served as part-time faculty in Administration of Justice, Management, and Sociology for Labette Community College in Kansas, Crowder College in Missouri, and Los Angeles Metropolitan College Overseas. He is retired from the U.S. Air Force and earned his doctorate in Educational Leadership from the University of Nebraska, a master’s in Organizational Management from the University of Phoenix, a bachelor’s degree in Social Sciences from the University of the Philippines, and an associate’s degree from East L.A. College (Overseas).

MS. CAROLYN WILKINS-GREENE  
Dean, Social Science and Humanities  
De Anza College  

M.A., Cultural Pluralism, Stanford University  
B.A, Music, University of Texas, Austin  
Additional graduate work in social theory and education, UC, Berkeley  
Dean, Social Sciences and Humanities, De Anza College, 2002-present  
Instructor, Intercultural/International Studies, De Anza College, 1989-2002  
Lecturer, Stanford Teacher Education Program (social studies component) and Director, Mellon Fellows, Stanford University, Winter/Spring, 1994  
Developer and facilitator, numerous educational workshops, 1978-present