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MEMO TO: Chancellors, Superintendents, Presidents, and
Accreditation Liaison Officers

FROM: Barbara A. Beno, President *Barbara A. Beno*

SUBJECT: Meeting of the Accrediting Commission for
Community and Junior Colleges to be held January
8-10, 2014; Preliminary Public Session Agenda

The January meeting of the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC) scheduled for January 8-10, 2014, is being held at the Sheraton Grand Sacramento Hotel, Sacramento, California. The Commission will meet in Closed Session to consider institutional actions, January 8-10, 2014. The Public Session will be held January 10, beginning at 1:00 p.m. It is open to members of the public; as per normal practice, there will be approximately 20 seats available. We request you to post this to your website or otherwise publicize this information.

Please note that 15 minutes has been allocated for public comment. Individuals will be asked to provide their name, organizational affiliation, and the subject of their comments when they sign the roster for public comment. Individuals are generally provided three-five minutes for their comments; however, that time may be shortened at the prerogative of the Chair to accommodate more presenters.

PRELIMINARY PUBLIC SESSION AGENDA

January 10, 2014
1:00 p.m.

1. CHAIR'S WELCOME AND OPENING

Seating of New Commissioners

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

3. STAFF REPORTS

President's Report – Barbara Beno

Vice President's Report – Susan Clifford

Vice President's Report – Krista Johns

Vice President's Report – Jack Pond

Associate Vice President's Report – Norv Wellsfry

4. **POLICY COMMITTEE**

First Reading Revised Policies

- a. Policy and Procedures for the Evaluation of Institutions in Multi- College/Multi-Unit Districts or Systems
- b. Policy on Institutional Degrees and Credits
- c. Policy on Complaints Against the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges
- d. Policy on Closing an Institution

Second Reading Policies

- a. Policy on Monitoring Institutional Performance
- b. Policy on Direct Assessment of Learning (formerly Policy on Credit for Prior Learning in Undergraduate Programs)
- c. Policy on the Rights and Responsibilities of the Commission and Member Institutions

Operational Policies

- a. Policy on Access to Commission Meetings

Amendment to Bylaws

- a. ACCJC Bylaws

Report on Policies Revised by Electronic Vote in October 2013 for USDE Compliance

- a. Policy on Commission Actions on Institutions
- b. Policy on Commission Good Practice in Relations with Member Institutions
- c. Policy on Public Disclosure and Confidentiality in the Accreditation Process
- d. Policy on Relations with Government Agencies
- e. Policy on Relations with Accrediting Agencies
- f. Policy on Conflict of Interest for Commissioners, Evaluation Team Members, Consultants, Administrative Staff, and Other Commission Representatives
- g. Policy on Substantive Change

Report on Policies Eliminated by Electronic Vote in October 2013 for USDE Compliance

- a. Policies and Procedures for Joint Accreditation Process between ACCJC and ACSCU of WASC
- b. Policies and Procedures for Joint Accreditation Process Between ACCJC and ACS of WASC
- c. Coordinating Guidelines for the WASC Accrediting Commissions

5. STANDARDS REVIEW COMMITTEE

Committee Report

Presentation of Revised Accreditation Standards for First Reading

6. OPERATIONS

ACCJC Operations Report

Annual Dues Schedule 2015-2016

7. AGENCY RELATIONS

California Community Colleges Report

Hawai'i Colleges Report

Western Pacific Colleges Report

Council of Regional Accrediting Commissions Report (CRAC)

Council for Higher Education Report (CHEA)

WASC – Board of Directors Report

8. OTHER COMMITTEES

Evaluation and Planning Committee Report

Financial Review Task Force Report

Ad Hoc Task Force Report on Student Achievement and Student Learning

CALENDAR

ACCJC Commission Development Workshop, March 12-14, 2014, Location TBD

ACCJC Commission Meeting: June 11-13, 2014, Location TBD

Substantive Change Committee Meetings, March 6 and May 8, 2014: Location TBD