



**Ventura County Community College District
Student Success and Accreditation Committee Meeting
Minutes
August 31, 2015**

Members present

Student Success and Accreditation Committee Chair Stephen Blum, Trustee Arturo Hernandez

In attendance

Bernard Luskin, Chancellor
Dave Keebler, Vice Chancellor, Business Services
Michael Shanahan, Vice Chancellor, Human Resources
Greg Gillespie, Ventura College President
Jim Limbaugh, Oxnard College President
Clare Geisen, Director of Communications/Chief of Staff
Rick Post, Director, Economic Development/Contract Ed
Alexander Kolesnik, Ventura College Academic Senate President
Patti Blair, Chancellor's Office, Recorder

1. Call to Order

Student Success and Accreditation Committee Chair Stephen Blum called the meeting to order at 12:12 p.m.

2. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

3. Changes to the Agenda

There were no changes to the agenda.

4. Review of Minutes

The Student Success and Accreditation Committee June 1, 2015 meeting minutes were approved as presented.

5. Student Success

5.1 Student Success Update

Dr. Gillespie indicated the Student Success Task Force plans to meet in September. Dr. Gillespie answered Trustee questions and provided information on enrollment activities, early registration to retain students, and technology enhancement related to registration fees.

6. Accreditation

6.1 Accreditation Update

Dr. Gillespie indicated that the District Council on Accreditation and Planning (DCAP) met on August 28. The accreditation timeline was reviewed and updated. First drafts of the self studies are due February 2016 and allows for vetting on the campuses. The final draft will be agendaized for First Reading during the April 2016 Board Meeting, Second Reading is scheduled May 2016, and final self-evaluations will be submitted in August 2016. Dr. Chou provided initial draft Standard IV responses DCAP members and are being reviewed for feedback to Director Geisen by mid-September. The Standard III Committee also met on August 28 and expects campus feedback by mid-September.



Dr. Gillespie and Director Geisen answered Trustee questions. Trustees expressed appreciation for current work on accreditation activities and offered support. There was also discussion on integrated planning, functional mapping, and a leadership transition plan. The SSSP Plan is due at the end of October and will be agendaized during a future Board meeting as an information item. Equity Plans require Board approval and will be agendaized for First Reading in October and Second Reading in November.

6.2 ACCJC New Standards

Director Geisen will provide Trustees with additional resource information related to the new ACCJC standards. Through Dr. Gillespie, Moorpark College Academic Senate President Mary Rees, and Director Geisen, DCAP will continue to provide the Board with information under Accreditation Updates at Board meetings. Chancellor Luskin continues to provide updates to Trustees in regular communication to the Board.

6.3 Resources

No additional resources are required at this time. Director Geisen confirmed Dr. Chou's work will be completed by September. Trustees discussed the possibility of setting up an accreditation reserve account for additional required resources.

6.4 Policy Hearing

Director Geisen commented on the Accreditation Policy Hearing tentatively scheduled in February/March 2016. Invitations will be sent to community members, students, and Citizens Advisory Body members. Trustees suggested creating an accreditation process video to use as a learning tool. Director Geisen will research existing resources and materials.

7. Adjournment

Chair Blum adjourned the meeting at 12:59 p.m.