

Presentation to ACCJC Commission

Good afternoon, I am pleased to have the opportunity to appear before the Commission today and to report further actions by the college with respect to the outstanding recommendations. I present this report in the context of four themes: completion, being proactive, commitment to continuous quality improvement, and accountability.

We have completed:

The Five-Year Financial Plan

The Five-Year Integrated Educational Master Plan which is linked to the Five-Year Financial Plan

These plans were reviewed by Cabinet and representatives from the Council of Chairs, presented to and approved by the Board of Regents at their May 23-24 meeting.

Consistent with ongoing communication efforts the Board of Regents held another community meeting on May 24, 2012 at the Pohnpei State Campus.

We are proactive in that:

The FSM Congress adjourned without taking action on President Mori's \$700,000 college-related request in the budget for FY2013, as budget hearings had not been completed. Congress is expected to reconvene either in July or September to complete the budget process.

Ninety-two employees of the college have completed the Accreditation Basics course, representing approximately one-third of the college's employees.

Two members of the Board of Regents attended the Annual Trustees Conference, Community College League of California on May 4-6, and shared the draft of the new manual on accreditation for College Governing Boards, with the Regents during their May meeting.

A two-day faculty orientation in August will include a workshop on authentic assessment.

The three-day Visioning and College Summit planned for August will continue the next phase of the Strategic Planning process; informed by the Assessments of the Communication Plan, the Strategic Plan, the five-year Integrated Educational Master Plan which is linked with the Five-Year Financial Plan.

The summit will have broad based participation across the college including state campuses, and including the Board of Regents who will actively engage in the Summit.

We are committed to continuous quality improvement as:

Several important restructuring requests were approved by the Board of Regents:

The establishment of a vice president for institutional effectiveness and quality assurance (VP-IEQA). Frankie Harriss, the college's ALO, has been appointed to fill the new position. This position is specifically designed to further integrate the Accreditation Standards throughout the college. The Institutional Research and Planning Office, the Development and Community Relations Office, and Information Technology Department report to this vice president.

Position responsibilities for campus directors were revised to further strengthen their roles and accountability, including ALO responsibilities for state campuses, they are now classified as campus deans, and report to the vice president for instructional affairs.

The two acting dean positions will be advertised and permanent appointments made. These steps serve the college well in support of more efficient and effective management of our four state campuses, and FSM-Fisheries and Maritime Academy.

We demonstrate accountability as we:

Progress to complete *A Framework for Planning and Action*, specifically; completion of a review of the status of Student Learning Outcomes which continues to inform institutional dialogue in all areas, especially planning and assessment.

The following assessments were presented to the college community, and to the Board of Regents for their review and further purposeful dialogue to ensure continuous improvement:

- An analysis of the Communications Plan
- Assessment of the 2006-2011 Strategic Plan, and recommendations for improvement of the planning process
- Proposed Revisions to the Participatory Governance Policy with recommendations by the Council of Chairs

In conclusion

We are experiencing the momentum of positive change. We are engaged in purposeful dialogue. We are employing ACCJC Standards for Accreditation to drive continuous improvement. I thank Commissioners Kinsella and Murata for their work on behalf of the college, and thank the Commission for its support and guidance on behalf of the College of Micronesia-FSM.

Respectfully submitted,

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