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College Community,

Yesterday I received notice from the ACCJC, Western Association of Schools and Colleges. At its meeting January 11-13, 2011, the Commission reviewed the institutional Self Study Report and the report of the evaluation team which visited College of Marin October 25-28, 2010. The Commission took action to **REAFFIRM ACCREDITATION**, with a requirement that the college complete a follow-up report in October 2011.

This, of course, is tremendous news and a positive reflection of the hard work and dedication of the College of Marin community in working toward meeting and/or exceeding the standards set forth by WASC. During my convocation update you may recall that I verbally shared the seven commendations and nine recommendations set forth by the visiting team. The recommendations are included in the attached copy of the Commission's notification. I would be remiss in not including the commendations in this communication as well. Although we continue to have work ahead of us, we clearly have much to celebrate!

Respectfully,

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Team Commendations for the College of Marin

Commendation #1
The team commends the college for the breadth, thoroughness,

comprehensiveness and use of the mission statement in its guiding documents related to governance and integrated planning. (I.A.4.) (IV.A.2.)

Commendation #2
The team commends the college for its excellent online enrollment management tool, which facilitates the development of "blueprints" for all courses, disciplines and programs. This in turn supports the college wide master scheduling process. (II. A.2.e)

Commendation #3
The team commends the college academic senate for their effective student learning outcomes wiki (online collaborative site), which serves as a central repository for all SLOs and their assessments. This facilitates the development and implementation of learning outcomes. (II.A.2.f)

Commendation #4
The team commends the college for their support of the recently implemented student athlete support program. (II.B.3.c)

Commendation #5
The team commends the college for its foresight in providing mental health and family counseling services to its students. (II.B.3.c)

Commendation #6
The team commends the college for its commitment to a sustainable environment by designing and using geothermal energy for institution's heating and cooling in the new Measure C capital projects. (III.B.1.a)

Commendation #7
The team commends the college and the governing board for its commitment to revising board policies and administrative regulations and making them publicly available through the college website. (IV.B.1.e)