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Message from the President

As we wind down what has been a considerable amount of activity on our Self-Evaluation and we prepare for the upcoming accreditation site visit, I would like to thank everyone who has been involved in the numerous activities that have taken place this semester.

Your efforts have made certain we've completed all of our tasks! It has been a very busy time for everyone in, and out, of the classroom.

The list of your accomplishments on the back of this newsletter is extremely impressive. It is wonderful to work at such a great institution where faculty, staff, administrators and students all work together for the success of the college!

Larry Buckley, PhD

Status Report on the Self-Evaluation

The Self-Evaluation is almost complete. Sarah Harmon is putting the finishing touches on the document and the evidence-collectors (Roberta Chock and Debbie Joy) are busy adding documents to our website.

The end is actually in sight! Next week, around May 7th or 8th, we will post the final draft to be reviewed and approved by the Planning and Budgeting Council at their May 15th meeting. Thanks to all who have participated (and there are many of you) as the document is looking very good.

After the PBC reviews it, some final clean-up will occur from May 15 to June 20. Then, the document will be sent to the Board of Trustees for their comments and final adoption on July 24th.

Reminder: the team visit is October 21-24, 2013.

*Cañada College
Accreditation Visit:
October 21-24, 2013*

Our Accomplishments

Everyone should be very proud of what Cañada College has been able to accomplish *since our last accreditation visit*. Congratulations to everyone!

Student Learning Outcomes: Reaching “Proficiency” by Fall 2012!

- All courses/programs have SLOs
- Use TracDat for documenting SLOs
- Adopted General Education SLOs which are the same as the Institutional Learning Outcomes (ILOs)
- Evaluated ILOs in 2013

Long-range Planning: Creating Two Master Plans

- 2008: Adoption and use of the 2008-12 Educational Master Plan which guided the college’s budget and planning efforts
- 2011: Review and revision of the Facilities Master Plan
- 2012: Adoption and use of the 2012-17 Educational Master Plan which built on the information gained in the previous long-range planning activities
- 2013: Review and revision of the Student Equity Plan and Strategic Plan

Annual Plan/Program Review: Reviewing and Revising our Processes

- 2009: Creation of the program review data system used to annually review instructional programs
- 2009: Revision of the program review forms to better address need for information
- 2010: Revision of the student services program review process to better address student processes
- 2011: Review and revision of the Annual Plan/Program Review documents for both instruction and student services to address comments raised in evaluation
- 2012: Creation of integrated planning calendar

Participatory Governance: Documenting and Improving

- 2008: Development of a participatory governance structure to include the College Planning Council, Budget Committee, Instructional Planning Council, Student Services Planning Council, Academic Senate and Classified Senate
- 2010: Evaluation and addition of the Administrative Planning Council to the structure
- 2011: Evaluation of the Participatory Governance structure to include the combining of the College Planning Council and Budget Committee
- 2012: Comprehensive evaluation of the participatory governance structure to include the development of the Participatory Governance Manual
- 2013: Annual evaluation of the participatory governance process conducted by the key participatory governance groups and use of Employee Voice survey

Professional Development: Developing a Comprehensive Structure

- 2009: Creation of the Center for Innovation and Excellence in Teaching & Learning (CIETL) to plan and conduct professional development activities for campus

Upcoming Activities

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May 1: PBC Meeting – Review of strategic plan and governance comments

May 7: Accreditation Oversight Committee meeting

May 15: Final Self-Evaluation approved by PBC

May 25: Commencement