

**PERALTA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT**  
**Board of Trustees Agenda Report**  
**For the Trustee Meeting Date of September 13, 2016**

**ITEM TITLE:** College of Alameda Accreditation Follow-Up Report

**SPECIFIC BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:**

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF COLLEGE OF ALAMEDA'S ACCREDITATION FOLLOW-UP REPORT TO ACCREDITATION COMMISSION FOR COMMUNITY AND JUNIOR COLLEGES (ACCJC), WESTERN ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES (WASC).

**ITEM SUMMARY:**

This is College of Alameda's Accreditation Follow-up Report (AFUR) in response to recommendations made by Accreditation Commission for Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC) of the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) in a letter dated June 29, 2015. In the letter, ACCJC required the College to submit the Follow-Up Report by October 1, 2016.

ACCJC recommendations provide important guidelines to improve institutional effectiveness, performance and student successes. Laney College adheres to these guidelines very closely and takes action to address any deficiencies. As a result, Laney has made substantive improvements and now meets ER 10 and all of the Standards mentioned in the **twenty** College Recommendations.

**SOURCE OF FUNDS (AND FISCAL/BUDGETARY IMPACT):**

General Fund.

**BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS:**

College of Alameda submitted its comprehensive Self-Study Report to the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges on December 10, 2014. After the peer evaluation process organized by ACCJC, the Commission found the College out of compliance for Eligibility Requirements and some areas of the Accreditation Standards and issued "Probation Status" for the College's Accreditation in a letter dated June 29, 2015. In the letter, the Commission made twenty Recommendations specific to College of Alameda and eight Recommendations to Peralta Community College District to resolve the deficiencies. The Commission also required the College to submit a Follow-Up Report by October 1, 2016 to demonstrate that the deficiencies have been resolved. .

**DELIVERABLES AND SCOPE OF WORK:**

RESTORE COLLEGE OF ALAMEDA'S ACCREDITATION STATUS TO "AFFIRMATION" FROM "PROBATION"

**ANTICIPATED COMPLETION DATE:**

AFTER THE SUBMISSION OF THE AFUR ON OCTOBER 1, 2016, ACCJC WILL ORGANIZE A SITE VISIT IN OCTOBER OF 2016 AND A DECISION ON OUR ACCREDITATION WILL BE MADE IN EARLY 2017 BY ACCJC.

**ALTERNATIVES/OPTIONS:**

**EVALUATION AND RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

**OTHER DEPARTMENTS IMPACTED BY THIS ACTION (E.G. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY):**

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

**COMMENTS:**

**WHO WILL BE PRESENTING THIS ITEM AT THE BOARD MEETING? COLLEGE OF ALAMEDA, INTERIM PRESIDENT, FRAN WHITE**

(\*\*\*\*\*Board contract approval is subject to negotiation and execution by the Chancellor.)

**DOCUMENT PREPARED BY:**

Prepared by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: 8/31/16  
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**DOCUMENT PRESENTED AND APPROVED BY:**

Presented and approved by: Fran White Date: 8/31/16  
Fran White, Ed.D., College of Alameda Interim President

**FINANCE DEPARTMENT REVIEW**

\_\_\_\_\_ Finance review required      X Finance review *not* required

If Finance review is required, determination is:      \_\_\_ Approved      \_\_\_ Not Approved

If not approved, please give reason: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
Ronald Little, Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration

**GENERAL COUNSEL (Legality and Format/adherence to Education Codes):**

\_\_\_\_\_ Legal review required      X Legal review *not* required

If Legal review is required, determination is:       Approved       Not Approved

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
Nitasha Sawhney, General Counsel

**CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE APPROVAL**

Approved, and Place on Agenda       Not Approved, but Place on Agenda

Signature: Dr. Jowel C. Laguerre  
Dr. Jowel C. Laguerre, Chancellor