

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Continuous Accreditation Readiness Team (CART)

Tuesday, May 21 2019, 3:30 p.m., Board Room

Voting Members (SEMPC Co-Chairs Count as 1 Vote)	Consultants
☑ Dr. Christina Tafoya –VP, Academic Services/ALO	☐ Dr. Martha Garcia – Superintendent/President
☐ Sydney Rice — Dept. Chair, ESL	☐ Deedee Garcia – VP, Administrative Services
☑ Andrew Robinson – Dept. Chair, ESW	☑ David Zielinski – Dean, Arts, Letters & Learning Services
☐ Dr. Michael Heumann – Dept. Chair, English	☐ David Drury – Dean, Math & Sciences
☑ Jill Nelipovich – Dept. Chair, Math and Engineering	☐ Roberta Webster — Interim Associate Dean, Nursing & Allied Health
☑ Dr. Lennor Johnson – SEMPC Co-Chair, VP, Student Services	☐ Sergio Pesqueira — Interim Dean, Counseling & Special Projects
☑ Efrain Silva – SEMPC Co- Chair, Dean, Economic & Workforce Dev.	☐ Victor Torres - Dean, Student Affairs & Enroll. Services
☐ Dr. Cuauhtemoc Carboni – Academic Senate Faculty Rep	☑ Betsy Lane — Associate Dean, Workforce Prep & Community Special Projects
☑ Linda Amidon – College Council Rep	☐ Cecilia Duron – Director, Fiscal Services
☑ Associated Student Government Rep*	☑ Jose Carrillo – Director, Institutional Research
*Moises Hernandez, Emilio Trinidad	☐ Kevin Howell – SLO Coordinator
CART Co-Chairs	☐ Cynthia Spence — Basic Skills Coordinator
☑ Dr. James Patterson –Accreditation Coordinator	☐ Xochitl Tirado — Distance Ed Coordinator
☑ Dr. Robert Price – Dean, Health & Public Safety	☐ Mary Jo Wainwright – CTA Representative
	☑ Clint Dougherty – Chief Human Resources Officer
Recorder	
☐ Linda Amidon	

A. Call to Order

- The regular meeting of the Continuous Accreditation Readiness Team (CART) is called to order at 3:34 p.m. by Accreditation Coordinator/CART Co-Chair Dr. James Patterson.
- Co-Chair Patterson provides updates on Substantive Change Inquiry Forms processed this week:
 - o Correctional Science: Corrections Officer Certificate a substantive change review is not required.
 - o Computer Information Technology, Business Information Systems, and Cybersecurity Certificates a substantive change review is not required.

B. Approval of Minutes from May 7, 2019

• The minutes were not available.

C. Evaluation of ISER Process

1. Evaluation of Institutional Self-Evaluation Report Development Process

D. Discussion of Problem Areas and Recommended Changes

- Co-Chair Patterson provided an overview of the ISER development process, shared the list of initial administrative/managerial assignments with team members, and reviewed the schedule for completion of the Standards (i.e., narratives for one-third of the Standards per semester), and participatory governance approval of the ISER.
- CART members shared their thoughts, observations, identified issues, and made recommendations regarding the process:
 - Start the process earlier.
 - o Timeline was on point as it allowed individuals new to the process to familiarize themselves with the Standards and development process.
 - Need to condense the timelines so that writing teams stay focused.
 - There was no official kickoff for the ISER.
 - Lack of training for writing team members on the process and the Standards.
 - o Recruit volunteers to write to the assigned Standards.
 - o Conduct a survey at the beginning of the process to determine interest.
 - o Dr. Patterson was commended for his orchestration of the ISER.
 - o Other colleges have an individual assigned to coordinate the necessary elements for institutional effectiveness, such as a Director of Institutional Effectiveness, or Institutional Researcher.
 - o Supporting evidence was lacking as evidence by the numerous requests by evaluation team members during the site visit.

- o Place focus on Standards that were a challenge during previous evaluations.
- o Evaluation team requests for additional evidence were received near the end of the site visit. The majority of requests for additional evidence are typically made prior to the site visit.
- o A booklet of specific examples of evidence was provided to the college too late.
- o Human Resources could have been more prepared.
- Human Resources needs to have a more active role on CART. (<u>Note</u>. This was addressed in the recent revision of the CART Bylaws.)
- o Some writing teams may have been too large. Smaller teams would allow for better accountability on work assignments.
- o Prescribe specific roles to writing team members.
- o Emails sent to the campus community to raise awareness of the Standards was really important.
- Collect evidence in support of the ISER and provide specific directions (i.e., type of evidence, format e.g., searchable PDF).
- o Students aren't aware of the accreditation process. We need to better prepare our students.
- o The accreditation forums and Standards emails were helpful to students.
- Since the evaluation team asked repeatedly for our internal review of processes, the Committee Self-Evaluation Form should address process review. The form could serve as additional evidence for the ISER.
- committees that report to the President's Office should be encouraged to complete a Committee Self-Evaluation Form each year.

E. Committee Self-Evaluation

1. Initial Draft of Committee Self-Evaluation Form

- Committee members review the draft of the Committee Self-Evaluation Form and identify the following goals for 2019-2020:
 - o Respond to any concerns/issues raised by the Commission (June 2019)
 - o Working with IR on collegial dialogue re: institution-set standards
 - o Schedule regular "deep dive" reviews of sections of the Accreditation Standards.
- Remaining sections of the Committee Self-Evaluation Form will be completed at the June 4, 2019, CART meeting.
- Co-Chair Patterson identifies first and secondary priorities for CART in 2019-2020: First, respond to the Commission letter.
 Second, continue the process of refining our ISER starting with a review of the list of additional evidence requested by the evaluation team.

F. Adjournment

1. Next Meeting: June 4, 2019.

• The Committee Self-Evaluation Form will be finalized.

2. Adjournment

• The meeting was adjourned at 4:24 p.m.