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GLENDALE COLLEGE REMOVED FROM ACCREDITATION WARNING STATUS

Glendale Community College has been removed from accreditation warning status and returned to full accreditation by the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC), Western Association of Schools and Colleges.

GCC Superintendent/President Dr. Dawn Lindsay was informed last week of the change in status. The Commission was impressed that recommendations were addressed in 10 months.

"I am thrilled the Commission recognized the work done by all constituent groups - this truly was a team effort. We began addressing the recommendations immediately as our unified goal was having the warning status removed as quickly as possible. We believe it is our strong shared governance structure that

enabled us to attain such quick buy-in and regain full accreditation as quickly as possible,” said Dr. Lindsay.

The college had been placed on warning status in April 2010, which is the lightest possible level of sanctions, on deficiencies related to administrative and budgetary procedures. The college began addressing these recommendations immediately.

The college was required to submit a written progress report to the Commission in March. The written plan included strategies to strengthen the linkage among the program review, planning and resource allocation processes; complete all employee evaluations; develop a comprehensive approach in planning for faculty and staff diversity; and to implement long range planning in Information and Technology Services that is linked to budget allocation.

Glendale College Board of Trustees President Anita Quinonez Gabrielian states, “The Board of Trustees celebrates the ACCJC’s determination that Glendale Community College deserves full accreditation status. It is a reflection of the hard work and determination of our dedicated faculty and staff to the college, the community and our students.”

The ACCJC will follow up on recommendations that need to be resolved by March, 2012.

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ABOUT GLENDALE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Glendale Community College (GCC) is a public community college that is governed by a five-member elected board of trustees. GCC has provided quality higher education to students of all backgrounds, ages, abilities and learning styles since it was founded in 1927. Rooted in the history of the city of Glendale, the college has a remarkable tradition of being responsive to the changing needs of the workforce, and local community. GCC is open equally to all adults or high school graduates who can benefit from higher education. GCC's primary mission is to prepare students for successful transfer to four-year universities or for successful placement in rewarding careers such as nursing, culinary arts, and computer technology. The faculty is dedicated to quality education that prepares students for future careers as well as their responsibilities to our community, state and society.

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