TO: Board of Trustees

FROM: Doug Treadway

DATE: October 26, 2005

SUBJECT: Accreditation Progress Report to ACCJC/WASC

The Accreditation Team Evaluation Report from our last Self-Study and Site Visit by the Accreditation Commission for Community and Junior Colleges Western Association of Schools and Colleges identified four recommendations to assist Ohlone College to improve our internal environment, to render our institution to be more efficient and effective, in order to better serve our educational mission (November 2001, Page 11). A Focused Mid-Term Report submitted in October 2004 addressed the two major recommendations, provided an update on the other two, and outlined progress on the 104 self-identified items. The Commission at its January 12-14, 2005 approved the Focused Mid-Term Report.

Approval of the Focused Mid-Term Report included a request that a Progress Report, focusing on Major Recommendations 1 and 2, be submitted in October 2006. The attached Progress Report demonstrates that Ohlone College has made significant progress in responding to the two major recommendations from our last site visit. To save paper, the attached Progress Report contains the main narrative response along with one of the Source of Evidence Attachments (Attachment 7: Summary of Budget Linkages to College Goals). The full Progress Report can be viewed at: http://www.ohlone.edu/org/instruction/accreditationreports.html
Numerous sources of evidence are provided to substantiate our progress. The report will also show that Ohlone is making good progress in working within the new Accreditation Standards and is well positioned as we approach our next Self-Study cycle.

RECOMMENDATION:

The President/Superintendent recommends that the Board of Trustees approve the Progress Report for submission to the Accreditation Commission for Community and Junior Colleges Western Association of Schools and Colleges.

Attachment