

Ohlone Community College District
Accreditation “Get Well Plan” Time Line
As of August 22, 2008

Purpose.

The purpose of this document is to outline the major events the board has taken or will be taking to address the recommendations of the accreditation commission.

Background.

March 3-6, 2008—Accreditation Team visits Ohlone Community College.

March 6, 2008—Regular Board Meeting. Accreditation Team submits initial recommendations to Board of Trustees at regular board meeting. Accreditation team provides eight recommendations for the College, four of which are directed to the Board of Trustees. (see undated memo with recommendations)

March 12, 2008—Board Workshop. In response to the Accreditation Team recommendations, the Board of Trustees holds a workshop facilitated by Association of Community College Trustees (ACCT). Following actions took place:

- Board members completed a questionnaire as part of board self-assessment administered by ACCT (results to be compiled and provided at a future meeting).
- Board discussed the recommendations and agreed that some changes are needed. However, given the fact that the Board would not receive the report and final recommendations until late June 2008, the Board should wait for the actual report.

April 9, 2008—Regular Board Meeting. Board President provided a response and update to the Accreditation Team recommendations during the first regular board meeting in April. The statement referenced the workshop and advised that the board would wait until it received the actual report from the commission. There was some discussion and language modification regarding the statement presented by the Board President. The statement was modified and accepted. (see Board memo dated April 9, 2008)

June 11, 2008—Regular Board Meeting. Board members received a copy of the Accreditation Report from the College President at the board meeting. No Board action taken. (see commission Evaluation Report date stamped April 7, 2008)

July 1, 2008—Ohlone College received official notification from Commission that the College had been placed on Warning status. (see letter dated June 30, 2008)

July 2, 2008—Ohlone College issued information release regarding the Accreditation Commission Report on Ohlone College placing the College on Warning status. (see information release dated July 2, 2008)

July 9, 2008—Regular Board Meeting. Dr. Gari Browning, new college president, provided written statement regarding the accreditation findings and recommendations. (see memo)

July 19, 2008—Board Workshop. Board held annual retreat with the new college president. Following actions took place:

- Discussed goals of the board, which include addressing recommendations of the accreditation commission.
- Discussed results of the ACCT facilitated self-assessment from March and developed recommendations for three of the areas scored lowest on the self assessment.

August 13, 2008—Regular Board Meeting.

- Board Chair and College President announced a number of changes to the structure and the format of board meetings. (see Board memo dated August 13, 2008)
- Board Chair read a summary report of the ACCT facilitated board self-assessment addressing the three lowest scored areas. (see Board memo dated August 13, 2008)
- Outline of Board Guide, which includes topics recommended by accreditation report, presented to Board.
- College President provided status of efforts to address all eight accreditation recommendations.

Next Steps.

Going forward, the following Board actions have been scheduled:

September 10, 2008—Regular Board Meeting (Business Meeting Format).

- Board will receive a DRAFT of the Board Guide as an information item.
- Board will review the status of the “Get Well Plan” as an information item.

September 24, 2008—Regular Board Meeting (Workshop Format).

- Board will discuss the College President’s evaluation (closed session)
- Board will review the initial/DRAFT Accreditation Response as an information item.

October 8, 2008—Regular Board Meeting (Business Meeting Format).

- Board will review/adopt a working copy of the Board Guide.
- Board will review/approve the Accreditation Response.

October 15, 2008—First report is due to the Accreditation Commission.

October 23, 2008—Regular Board Meeting (Workshop Format)

- Board will discuss preparation for follow-up visit by the Accreditation Team
- Board will assess how it has been doing on the three issues addressed in the workshop and presented to the board on August 13, 2008.
- Board will review/address three additional areas for improvement from the ACCT sponsored Board Self-Assessment.
- Board to discuss “skinny blue book” topic TBD.

TBD—Accreditation Commission Follow-Up Visit to Ohlone College

November 12, 2008—Regular Board Meeting (Business Meeting Format)

- Board will adopt New Board Member Orientation process.
- If Accreditation Team follow-up visit occurs prior to this meeting, there will be a de-brief on the visit with the Board.

December 1, 2008—Regular Board Meeting (Business Meeting Format)

- Board will receive an information item on Shared Governance.

TBD January 2009—Accreditation Commission Meeting

January 14, 2009—Regular Board Meeting.

January 28, 2000—Regular Board Meeting (Workshop Format).

- New Board will participate in Strength Quest assessment.

February 11, 2009—Regular Board Meeting.

- Review of Commission Letter, if available

February 25, 2009—Regular Board Meeting.

March 1, 2009—Second report is due to the Accreditation Commission.

March 11, 2009—Regular Board Meeting.

March 25, 2009—Regular Board Meeting.

April 8, 2009—Regular Board Meeting.

- Accreditation Commission Visit Preparation

TBD—April 2009—Accreditation Commission Visit

April 22, 2009—Regular Board Meeting.

- Complete Annual Board Self-Assessment Survey (ACCT)

May 13, 2009—Regular Board Meeting.

May 27, 2009—Regular Board Meeting.

TBD—June 2009—Commission Meeting