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S16-5, University Policy, Accreditation Review Committee

Legislative History:

At its meeting of March 7, 2016, the Academic Senate approved the following policy recommendation presented by Senator Shifflett for the Organization and Government Committee. SS-S12-

Resolved: That following approval by the president, this policy be implemented and an accreditation review committee established as soon as possible.

Background and Rationale: The institutional review process in recent years has evolved in a way that calls for an extended period of engagement in a process focused on meeting student learning goals. In the short term, the review committee is needed to develop the campus response to concerns that emerged from the 2015 accreditation review and to prepare for the Fall 2017 WSCUC Special Visit. The special visit and a newly-required mid-term review are part of the next review cycle. Since the previous Senate resolution that established a steering committee expired with the recent completion of the accreditation review last spring, action is needed to establish a permanent special agency (accreditation review committee) to provide leadership to facilitate campus engagement in re-accreditation activities. In the longer term an accreditation review committee will be needed to meet interim WSCUC obligations including:

- Fall 2018 - Mid-cycle review preparation
- Spring 2019- Mid-cycle review by Commission
- Summer 2021-Submission of Institutional Report (Self-Study)
- Fall 2021 - Offsite review by Accreditation Team
- Spring 2022 - Accreditation visit by Visiting Team

Approved: 2/22/16

Vote: 8-0-0

Present: Laker, Shifflett, Beyersdorf, Becker, Gleixner, Grosvenor, Mathur, Romero

Absent: Curry

Financial Impact: Likely to include assigned time for the accreditation review committee chair; clerical and administrative support (e.g., for meetings, communication, preparation and distribution of materials); and costs associated with sending accreditation review committee members to relevant WSCUC training workshops and/or conferences.

Workload Impact: Increase in workload for members of the review committee and steering committee related to meetings, preparation of WSCUC reports, and support for WSCUC team visits.

1.2.1 Recruitment and Appointment of Members

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- Create task forces and/or sub-committees as it deems appropriate to facilitate broad participation and engagement in the accreditation review process.
- Engage diverse voices in the reflection and analysis of information collected and reported to WSCUC.
- Participate in periodic meetings each semester to set meeting schedules, task force compositions and assignments, milestones, and related planning and preparation goals and processes.

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