



January 21, 2015

Mr. Lee D. Lambert
Chancellor
Pima County Community College District
4905C E. Broadway Blvd.
Suite C-234
Tucson, AZ 85709

Dear Chancellor Lambert:

Subsequent to the Institutional Actions Council meeting of January 13, 2015 attached is the Hearing Committee's report of its recommendation regarding Pima County Community College District. This recommendation will be forwarded to the Board of Trustees for review and action at its next meeting. The Board meeting is scheduled for February 26-27, 2015.

The Board makes the final decision in all cases where HLC has conducted an evaluation for candidacy, initial accreditation or removal of sanction. In addition, the Board makes the final decision when an evaluation team, an Institutional Actions Council Hearing Committee or the HLC President has recommended a sanction or withdrawal or denial of accreditation or candidacy. Prior to the next scheduled Board meeting, the Board receives from HLC the full record related to the evaluation including, but not limited to, the self-study and supporting documents submitted by the institution; the report from the evaluation team; the report of the Hearing Committee; and institutional responses filed by the institution prior to the Hearing and any institutional responses filed subsequent to this letter. The Board also has access to the institution's previous evaluation history and HLC actions taken concerning the institution.

The Board may adopt one of the recommendations previously arising out of the evaluation process, with or without modification, or the Board may adopt a different recommendation. Although the team has recommended Notice, and the IAC Hearing Committee has agreed, in determining its action the Board may also consider other options available in Commission policy, including Show-Cause. (See Commission policy INST.E.10.010 for more information about sanctions and related policies.) The Board also has the option of reaffirming accreditation with or without monitoring. In addition, at its October 2014 meeting the Board approved on first reading a policy that would allow it to extend probation for a limited amount of time. The Board will be considering this policy on second reading at its February 2015 meeting. If the Board adopts the policy at this meeting, the Board has the option of applying this policy in this or any other institutional case the Board may consider at this meeting. You can find more information about the proposed policy on the Commission's website under Policy Updates. Please keep in mind that exact details of the policy might change upon final adoption by the Board.

You will receive a letter outlining the Board's action subsequent to the conclusion of the Board meeting. The document linked here [Guidance on Procedures Following Commission Board Actions](#) provides further information to assist the institution in preparing for the Board's action.

Please provide HLC with your response to the IAC recommendation no later than February 4, 2015. Also by that date, provide any additional materials to be offered for the Board's consideration. This response, along with all the other documents in the review, become part of the HLC's official file and will be available to the next team that visits the institution. The evaluation team, through the team chair, is also asked to respond to the Hearing Committee's recommendation.

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For further information, please contact the institution's staff liaison, Karen J. Solomon.

Your cooperation in this process is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Barbara Gellman-Danley".

Barbara Gellman-Danley
President

cc: Karen J. Solomon, Vice President for Accreditation Relations and Director, Standard Pathway
Karen L. Solinski, Vice President for Legal and Governmental Affairs