

MISSION STATEMENT TASK FORCE MEETING

MARCH 13, 2013 2:00 P.M. TO 3:30 P.M.

Attendees: Pamela Diribe, Ruth Goodin, Jeffrey Benford, BethAnn Robertson, Sandra Mills

- It was suggested that at LMC we not only transform the lives of students but staff and faculty and if that could somehow be included in Mission Statement.
- After much discussion it was decided that the task force will be changing the Mission Statement.
- It was helpful to answer the questions under the ACCJC “Guide to Evaluating Institutions” as these questions will be asked at some point during the Accreditation Visit.
- In response to the second bullet under “Mission” to revise part of the Mission Statement at this point to include our intended students and the geographical location of the students or area we serve. It was suggested to try “Los Medanos College provides quality educational opportunities for those within the changing and diverse communities of East Contra Costa County”. At some point in the Mission Statement include the word respect or respectful.
- There are five (5) questions that help to summarize the ACCJC questions and will assist the task force in changing the Mission Statement:
 - What: educational purpose; processes fostered college-wide
 - Who: intended students
 - Why: student learning; reason why LMC serves its students;
 - Where: geographic area; (i.e. diverse East Contra Costa)
 - How: address needs of student population (i.e. SLOs, COORS, Program Review, etc.)
- Some descriptive words that represent LMC are listed below. These are suggestions as to some wording we may want to include in the Mission Statement:
 - Educational Excellence, Student Success, Student Learning
 - Knowledge, Respect, Learning
 - Intentional, Innovative, Life Transforming
- The task force began to evaluate and offer suggestions as to possible changes to the Mission Statement starting with the first sentence of the Mission Statement. Listed below are some of these suggested changes (keep in mind we were all brainstorming so some of the sentence is broken up into pieces and alternate wording is placed):
 - LMC commits to educational excellence in a respectful (? and transformational)...provides quality educational opportunities and...diverse East Contra Costa communities.” Some words that were suggested to be used in the first sentence were innovative, respectful, engaging and a ‘community of students’.
 - LMC is a dynamic community of learners committed to educational excellence in an innovative, respectful and engaging environment within our changing and diverse East Contra Costa communities. We are responsible for providing life transforming educational experiences that culminate...