Accreditation Task Force Report for College Council meeting of 12/07/2017.

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The Accreditation ISER is proceeding as planned, and is closing in on the completed draft stage. Everything is moving on time, as planned, so far, with one big disruption regarding IV.C and IV.D- the Board Policy crisis of last week. The issues related to this have hindered the spread of information, as it drew attention to concerning points discovered by the IV.C and IV.D teams.

Engagement Plan: Emailed Communications

Since the last written report [as opposed to timeline] the Accreditation ISER team has consulted with the Engagement Communications Team to help them craft an appropriate third Engagement Email, which was sent in late October. The Fourth Engagement Email is in the planning stages, but we are trying to work to put the most appropriate face on the developments related to Board Policy.

During the last meeting of the ISER leads, with attendance by Standard IV team leads, the discussion moved to postponing the Standard IV Engagement Email until we could both have faculty with time to write it and resolve some of the issues we are facing regarding Board/District/Campus power.

Engagement Plan: Committee presentations.

We have continued to customize our PowerPoint presentations for committee meetings. We had one presentation cancelled, and folded into Admin Council meeting in later this month, due to other issues. We have another planned to present on Friday the 8^{th} to FCDC.

In addition, we have developed a plan to target departmental meetings for the first three weeks of the Spring Semester, for optimal ability to interact with the departments.

Engagement Plan: Campus Wide Forums.

Since the last written report, we have held two more Campus-Wide Forums, on Standard III on November 6th and Standard IV on December 1st, hosted by this body [College Council]

Norming Meetings:

We have continued holding Norming meetings with relevant standards to fine-tune the rough draft, and clarify any issues before the point of submission to the grand editor.

Progress on Written Standard Reports

We are on track to produce a finished draft according to the timeline previously provided in our ISER timeline.

Our Editor in Chief has reported that he has worked up Standard I [A, B and C], and passed this off to our copy editor Sarah Baron. This leaves us moving forward right on schedule.

Spring Opening Day Plans:

The team has been working to develop an engaging presentation on Accreditation for the Opening Day Plenary Session, but George Lucas made us sign confidentiality oaths, so 'mums the word'. (3)

For the literal minded, George Lucas has <u>nothing</u> to do with BC's ISER team or our actions-

I SAY, I, I SAY, That's a JOKE, son. That's a JOKE!

[as immortalized by Foghorn Leghorn- the counterpoint to Churchill references]

Overall comments:

As Timbuk3 said: ... The future's so bright, I gotta wear shades...

That popped into my head, but it isn't a non-sequitur.

It actually relates to the confidence shared by the ISER team that, despite the unexpected, we are still on track to produce a stellar ISER.

Do not mistake our levity for a lack of dedication or seriousness of purpose: we simply are having fun with it while we work through this process. We also thought that the third College Council meeting in three weeks of classes deserved more humor than the average to hold us until the winter break.

Thank you,

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