

PRESIDENT'S CABINET

February 2, 2001

HIGHLIGHTS

Members present: President Suzuki, Dr. Ambroson, Dr. Barnes, Ms. Farris, Mr. Fremont, Ms. Martin, Dr. Ochoa, Dr. Ollenburger, Dr. Soriano, Mr. Storey, Dr. Tillman (via speakerphone), Ms. Thomas, Dr. Turk

Others present: Dr. Elhami Ibrahim, Dr. Dorothy Wills

This meeting was called for the specific purpose of discussing the draft response to the WASC Site Visitation Team's Report.

Dr. Ibrahim reviewed for the Cabinet the process followed in drafting the response which had been distributed to all Cabinet members via e-mail earlier in the day, along with a separate document prepared by the Academic Senate Steering Committee.

In discussing the length of the response, it was agreed that the 8-page draft was too long and that the final response should be about 1-1/2 to 2 pages.

Dr. Ibrahim discussed the process to be followed in order to obtain comments from all interested parties. This process would involve providing the draft to the campus community via the WASC restricted website, obtaining input, meeting with the WASC Writers Group to finalize the draft, and then providing it to Vice President Ollenburger, to the Cabinet and finally to the President.

It was suggested that the response acknowledge the work of the WASC team, indicate that many of their recommendations were consistent with our self-study report, and ensure that we have acted on or will be acting on the recommendations as quickly as possible.

Discussion continued with regard to specific draft responses to the recommendations; i.e., general education, shared vision, academic master planning process, institutional research, and assessment.

At the conclusion of the meeting, Dr. Ollenburger acknowledged the e-mail she had received from Dr. Tillman and indicated she would respond to it as soon as possible.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Cabinet will be held on **Thursday, March 8, 2001, at 9 a.m.**