

President's Report August 2024

Tech Expansion

Phase 1 – Warehouse is about 85% complete – pending electrical, plumbing, and trim finishes. Fencing is ongoing. Powerline building has been moved and being connected to utilities. Parking lot paving is still pending. August 23rd is the target completion date.

Phase 1B – The Modular building from Palomar has been delivered and installed on the 18 acres in Eagle Pass Campus Annex. Our general contractor is working on the site work for utilities and parking lots.

Phase 1C – The Diesel lean-to addition is complete and equipment has been ordered. Minor electrical work in the shop area for both Diesel and Construction science will begin August 12th with completion scheduled for August 23rd.

Rebranding

We have been receiving a steady stream of new flags, banners and recruiting materials. The new campus signs are currently being manufactured and expect them to be up by first day of classes. Our social media pages have made the transition. Expect to see more rebranding items as they arrive. We had a great advertisement in last Sunday paper with the new brand.

Enrollment

Summer 2 enrollment looks great. Our head count was up 10% and our credit hours (tuition revenue) was up 11%. Fall enrollment is still ongoing but on tract to hit our enrollment targets.

Upcoming Meeting/Events

8/15	August Board Meeting
8/21	General Faculty Meeting
8/26	First Day of Classes
8/30-9/1	Palomino Festival
9/2	Labor Day Holiday
9/12	Special Meeting – Public Hearing
9/19	September Board Meeting
10/17	October Board Meeting
11/21	November Board Meeting
11/27-12/1	Thanksgiving Holiday
12/12	Proposed December Board Meeting Date

Accreditation Timeline

May 29-30, 2024	Advisory Visit from Dr. Nuria Cuevas, SACSCOC Vice President
October 21-24, 2024	April Ruhmann goes to Wallace State Community College in Hanceville, Alabama as an Observer for the On-Site Visit there
March 1, 2025	Compliance Certification (Institutional Self-Study Document) due to SACSCOC - Electronic submission
July 2025	Response Report from SWTX to SACSCOC - Addresses any "Non-Compliance" determinations made by Off-Site Committee
September 8, 2025	Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP) sent to SACSCOC - Electronic submission
October 20-23, 2025	On-Site Committee visits SWTX - Eight to ten members, including our SACSCOC VP, Dr. Cuevas. We may be asked to allow an observer.

Standards of the *Principles of Accreditation* – Each bold-faced title below names a major section in the Compliance Certification, which is the comprehensive self-evaluation an institution must complete.

The names listed after a Standard are those responsible for preparing the college's response to our claim of Compliance with the Standard.

- 1) **Principle of Integrity** – Not Addressed by Institution. On-Site Committee determines compliance
- 2) **Mission** – Underwood
- 3) **Basic Eligibility Standards** - Underwood
- 4) **Governing Board** – Schell and Underwood
- 5) **Administration & Organization** – Garabedian and Underwood
- 6) **Faculty** – Ruhmann – (With Escamilla, Linan, and Estrada – Mentored by Garabedian and Underwood; Mondragon omitted for work with QEP Assessment Plan. Most of Section 6 will be completed by Aracely from existing credential evaluation documents.
- 7) **Institutional Planning & Effectiveness** – Schell as lead; SIR Office; support from all others; R. Zimmerman

Includes Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP) – Need Director and Implementation Group, which will include R. Zimmerman
- 8) **Student Achievement** - Schell, Garabedian, Underwood, SIR Office
- 9) **Educational Program Structure & Content** – Hoffman and Buchanan, with Chairs and Program Coordinators
- 10) **Educational Policies, Procedures, & Practices** – Underwood, Ruhmann, Garabedian
- 11) **Library & Learning/Information Resources** – C. Mata
- 12) **Academic & Student Support Services** – C. Mata, Schell
- 13) **Financial & Physical Resources** – Ermis and Sandoval; Hoffman, Buchanan, and De La Cruz will support with knowledge of associated instructional sites.
- 14) **Transparency & Institutional Representation** – Collective – This Standard addresses how we represent our SACSCOC accreditation status publicly, in the Catalog and on our web page. SACSCOC prescribes exact language for such public representation.