**Kapi‘olani Community College**

**University of Hawai‘i**

**Mission Statement**

On April 25, 2016, Kapi‘olani Community College requested approval for a new Mission Statement below:

**Ala Nuʻukia - Mission Statement (Current):**

He puka hāmama ko Kapiʻolani Kula Nui Kaiāulu, no nā ʻano kaiāulu like ʻole  e hiki aku i ka pahuhopu ʻimi naʻauao, ʻimi ʻoihana, a hoʻolaulā ʻike.  Na ka Nuʻukia like, ka lawena like, me ka ʻōlelo paʻa i ka hana me ka lima, ke aʻo, a me ka hoʻokō e alakaʻi i ke Kula Nui.  A ma o ia mea i loaʻa ai nā palapala aʻo  kilohana, nā kēkelē mua puka kilohana, me nā polokalamu hoʻīli kula kilohana e hoʻomākaukau i nā haumāna no ka mua he lako.

Kapi‘olani Community College provides students from Hawai‘i’s diverse communities open access to higher education opportunities in pursuit of academic, career, and lifelong learning goals. The College, guided by shared vision and values, and commitment to student successthrough engagement, learning, and achievement, offers high quality certificate, associate degree, and transfer programs that prepare students for productive futures.

**Rationale for the Revised Mission Statement**

Effective June 3, 2016, Louise Pagotto began serving Kapi‘olani Community College as Interim Chancellor. Although, the College’s Strategic Plan was scheduled to be finalized in the spring 2016, the change of leadership deferred the process. On August 4, 2016, the Chancellor’s Administrative Staff Council decided to review and revise the Strategic Plan and the Mission, Vision and Values Statements. In addition, to reflect the College’s intentional focus on international students, the decision was made to add international students as our “intended population” to the mission statement.

**Proposed Mission Statement:**

**Ala Nuʻukia – Mission**

**He hale hāmama ʻo Kapiʻolani Kula Nui Kaiāulu no nā ʻano kaiāulu like ʻole, e hoʻolako i nā kānaka hoʻākea ʻike e hiki aku i ka pahuhopu ʻimi naʻauao, ʻimi ʻoihana, a hoʻolaulā ʻike. He loaʻa nā palapala aʻo, nā kēkelē mua puka, me nā polokalamu hoʻīli kula he kilohana wale e hoʻomākaukau i nā haumāna maoli, kūloko, kaumokuʻāna, kauʻāina no ka mua he lako.**

Kapi‘olani Community College provides [students from Hawai‘i’s diverse communities] open access to higher education opportunities in pursuit of academic, career, and lifelong learning goals[.] to the diverse communities of Hawai‘i. [The College, guided by shared vision and values, and commitment] Committed to student success through engagement, learning, and achievement, [offers] we offer high quality certificates and associate degrees, and transfer [programs] pathways that prepare indigenous, local, national, and international students for their productive futures.

Table 1: Aligning ACCJC/WASC Directives with Phrases from the Proposed Mission Statement

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| **ACCJC/WASC Directive** | **Mission Statement Phrases** |
| Institution’s broad educational purposes | … provides open access to higher education opportunities in pursuit of academic, career and lifelong learning goals… that prepare… students for their productive futures |
| Its intended population | … indigenous, local, national, and international students |
| Types of degrees and other credentials | … high quality certificates and associate degrees |
| Commitment to student learning and student achievement | Committed to student success through engagement, learning, and achievement  |

In addition to strong alignment with ACCJC/WASC, the College has developed a data-rich institutional effectiveness framework called “KELA” aligned with our brand: Engage. Learn. Achieve. See attached.

This alignment meets the ACCJC/WASC Standard I.A.2:

 The institution uses data to determine how effectively it is accomplishing its
 mission, and whether the mission directs institutional priorities in meeting the
 educational needs of students.

The proposed Mission Statement will “guide the institutional decision-making, planning, and resource allocation and informs institutional goals for student learning, engagement and achievement” (ACCJC/WASC Standard I.A.3)

This mission will be widely published after approval by the Board of Regents and periodically reviewed and updated as necessary (ACCJC/WASC Standard I.A.4, Eligibility Requirement 6).