Good afternoon all,

The approval letter is now posted on the homepage for the campus and wider community to access, and as evidence of our successful accountability to our accrediting body.

Overall the news is good, however there are two items that need sustained attention:

1) Develop, assess, evaluate, and improve communication with and by governance bodies.

The administration has already invested in improved communication from the Faculty Senate by providing assigned time to assist the Senate Chair.

2) Completing one documented cycle of student learning outcomes assessment by ALL academic programs, including the liberal arts. Plans for this are to be incorporated into Tactical Plans, 2009-2012, which are due on March 1.

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At its January 6-8, 2010 meeting, the ACCJC/WASC took action to accept the Kapi'olani Community College Midterm Report:

"The Commission notes that Kapi'olani Community College provided clear descriptions of the ways in which it had addressed recommendations for improvement from the previous comprehensive evaluation team (2006). Documentation was provided in the form of appendices to the report. The College also addressed each of the self-identified action plans listed in its Self Study Report though no documentation was provided."

I want to thank Vice-Chancellors Pagotto, Higa, and Lee, Special Assistant to the Chancellor, Salvatore Lanzilotti, Student Learning Outcomes Assessment Coordinator, Kristine Korey-Smith,

Vannida Phommachanh, OFIE administrative assistant, and Jeffery Arbuckle and Yao Hill in OFIE for their timely and professional support.

I also want to express my appreciation to Faculty Senate Chair Harry Davis, Staff Council Chair Gene Philips, Kalaulani Council Chair Kauka de Silva, and the Student Congress for their timely review and approval of the report.

We will soon begin planning discussions regarding the 2012 Self Study process.

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A friendly reminder that the PPAC meeting scheduled for this afternoon at 2:30pm will be held in the Tamarind Room.

Attached is an updated AGENDA for today's meeting.

Thank you.

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