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Part I

2011-2013 Annual Report



Message from the President



**Dr. Belle S.
Wheelan**

During the past three years, the staff of the Commission has been very busy, perhaps busier than usual. The state of Georgia decided to reduce the number of colleges and universities governed by the Georgia Board of Regents and the Technical College System of Georgia decided all of its institutions should seek SACSCOC accreditation. Between those mergers and new members and the regular load of Reaffirmation, Substantive Change, and Special Committees, and Fifth Year visits, we kept the airways and highways busy.

In addition to those events, we also developed and updated our first Strategic Plan. The resulting process gave us a new mission statement, four goal statements, seven action statements and numerous activities by which to carry out the Plan. As part of the Plan, we also implemented a Technology Plan that includes new hardware (servers, routers, etc.) and software programs (updated

SharePoint, profile data collection, database, etc.) to assist us in responding more efficiently to requests for information from our institutions, as well as outside agencies. Additionally, we are preparing to receive much more information from our members in a digital format, thereby reducing the amount of paper and cost of mailing information to the membership. You can find the results of our work on our website.

The “disruptions” in higher education have resulted in new policy statements on MOOC’s and competency-based direct assessment programs. We continue to monitor the landscape to ensure we are staying abreast of trends so that our members do not lose momentum waiting for approval to implement programs. We have also contracted with a public relations firm to assist us in developing six web-based training modules for peer reviewer training. They will be completed by the end of this fiscal year.

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Our renovation project continues to receive high marks from folks who visit us. There is plenty of wall space available if you want to send us a likeness from your institution. We guarantee a place of honor.

As always, we continue to work with the other regional accreditors in responding to the folks on The Hill and at the U.S. Department of Education. Your interests have been represented by yours truly in the discussions on state authorization. Now as a member of the National Council on State Authorization Reciprocity Agreements (NC-SARA), I will be calling upon you to join me

in providing information to those external constituents on the value of accreditation.

SACSCOC remains YOUR accrediting body and continues to respond to your needs related to continuous improvement and quality. I encourage you to continue to call upon us so we can continue to help you focus on Students who Are Central to your Success.

SACSCOC Welcomes New Staff

From 2011 to 2013 four new administrative staff members joined SACSCOC: Robin Hoffman, Nuria Cuevas, Charles Taylor, and Alana Veal. Each of these individuals brings a wealth of experience that has prepared them well for their roles.

Two additional staff members also began work with SACSCOC during this time, but later left the Commission for other opportunities. Dr. Mark Smith, former Vice President, and Dr. Heather Hartman, former Coordinator for Substantive Change, worked diligently in their positions during their tenure with the Commission.



Dr. Robin Hoffman

Dr. Robin W. Hoffman joined the SACSCOC staff as Vice President in August 2011 after retiring as President of Dekalb Technical College, a post she held for seven years. Over the course of her 38-year career at Dekalb Tech, she served in a variety of roles including faculty member, Medical Laboratory Technology Program Director, Allied Health Department Chair, Dean of Instruction, Vice President of Instruction, and Vice President of Institutional Services and Special Assistant to the President. Dr. Hoffman led two self-studies for SACSCOC reaffirmation for her institution and served in a variety of volunteer roles with the Commission, including evaluator, Reaffirmation Committee chair, chair of the *Principles* Review Committee, Appeals Committee member, Board of Trustees member, chair and member of the Committees on Compliance and Reports, and member of the Executive Council of the SACSCOC Board of Trustees. She holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Medical Technology from Oglethorpe University, a Master of Education degree in Education Administration and Supervision from Georgia State University, and a doctorate in Vocational Leadership with a minor in Management from Georgia State University.

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Dr. Nuria M. Cuevas

Dr. Nuria M. Cuevas joined the staff of SACSCOC as Vice President in October 2011. Prior to her arrival, Dr. Cuevas served 11 years as Professor and Interim Dean of the College of Liberal Arts, Vice Provost, and Director of Institutional Effectiveness and Assessment at Norfolk State University. In these roles, Dr. Cuevas was responsible for academic planning and program review, curriculum management, institutional effectiveness and assessment, accreditation (including coordination of self-studies), and academic support services. Previously, Dr. Cuevas served as Coordinator of Academic Assessment and Planning at San Francisco State University, Director of Academic Services/Undergraduate Medical Education at Northeastern Ohio Universities College of Medicine, and Coordinator of Academic Support Services at the University of Texas Health Sciences Center at Houston. Dr. Cuevas has more than 15 years of experience teaching research methods, statistics, and educational and psychological measurement at the graduate and undergraduate levels. She served as an evaluator and chair of numerous Commission review committees. Additionally she served on the SACSCOC *Principles Review Committee* and other task forces for SACSCOC, the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC), and the Military Installation Voluntary Education Review. Dr. Cuevas earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Music from Southwestern Union College, a Master of Science in Educational Foundations with an emphasis in research methods and statistics from the University of Memphis, and a Doctor of Philosophy in Evaluation and Measurement from Kent State University.



Dr. Charles A. Taylor

Dr. Charles A. Taylor joined the SACSCOC staff as Vice President in November 2012. Previously, he served as President of Bauder College, Thomas Nelson Community College, and St. Philips College. He was Chancellor of Community Colleges of Spokane, Washington, and held other senior administrative positions in student affairs as a Dean and Vice President. He was an Assistant Professor at Chicago State University and taught at Loyola University of Chicago. Dr. Taylor has served on numerous national organization boards and served as a committee evaluator for SACSCOC and for the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools. He earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Maryland Baltimore County, a master's degree from Johns Hopkins University and a doctorate in Higher Education from Loyola University of Chicago.



Ms. Alana T. Veal

Ms. Alana T. Veal joined the SACSCOC staff in March 2013 as Coordinator of Legal and Governmental Affairs, and Commission Support, facilitating the Off-Site Reaffirmation Committee and Fifth-Year Interim Review processes. Prior to coming to the Commission, Ms. Veal served as Strategic Initiatives Project Director at Georgia Gwinnett College and Director of Strategic Planning and Title III at Morehouse College. Ms. Veal began her career in higher education at the University of North Florida as a student services coordinator. In these positions, she served in a variety of institutional roles including coordinator of the academic resource center, retention committee chairperson, coordinator of institutional effectiveness activities, and project director of a Title III grant. Ms. Veal has also participated in the development of SACSCOC compliance certification reports for two institutions. She served as a member of the Society for College and University Planning (SCUP) Institutional Direction Academy. Ms. Veal currently holds a bachelor's degree in mathematical sciences from Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University and a master's degree in statistics from the Georgia Institute of Technology.



SACSCOC Leadership and Service Awards

Each year SACSCOC honors six individuals whose extraordinary commitment to regional accreditation and the peer review process exceeds normal expectations of volunteerism.

One individual is singled out for the James T. Rogers Distinguished Leadership Award and five individuals receive Meritorious Service Awards.

The James T. Rogers Distinguished Leadership Award (named for the former SACSCOC executive director who served the Commission on Colleges for more than two decades) is the highest public recognition given by the Commission and is reserved for extraordinarily distinctive and effective leadership. The Meritorious Service Award is given to outstanding individuals whose volunteerism and commitment to the best principles of the academy and of accreditation personify the ideals of the Commission. Those receiving the award are recognized here.

James T. Rogers Distinguished Leadership



Dr. Norman Francis

The 2011 recipient of the James T. Rogers Distinguished Leadership Award was Dr. Norman C. Francis, President of Xavier University of Louisiana. As the longest tenured president in the SACSCOC region and the nation, Dr. Francis has served as a leading catalyst for historic changes in higher education and accreditation in the South. Active in Commission affairs for nearly 40 years, he has distinguished himself in a number of ways, both in his service to the Commission and to higher education. As a leader, as a mentor, and as a teacher, Dr. Francis is known for his commitment to excellence and for his great dignity, honor, and wisdom. As former Chairman of the SACS Board, he served as an advisor to Commission staff, providing insight into issues affecting policy and decisions. He has been a staunch advocate for standards that ask member institutions to take more responsibility for the quality of their own institutions.

Award Recipients, 2011–2013



Dr. William Abare

Dr. William Abare, President of Flagler College in Florida, was honored as the 2012 recipient of the James T. Rogers Distinguished Leadership Award. During his tenure, federal regulations regarding the Commission’s obligations in the enforcement of policies on the reporting of substantive change intensified. As a SACSCOC Board member and chair of the committee charged to review institutions in the application of this policy, Dr. Abare steered the committee to develop fair and reasonable protocols for the reviews while constituting a liberal phase-in for institutions. In the exercise of his leadership, he implemented a substantive change policy with fairness and established the process for review that is in use today. During his 15 years as an active participant in Commission affairs, Dr. Abare has also served as chair of numerous evaluation committees, and as a member of the 2002 Accreditation Review Committee.



Dr. David Potts

The 2013 recipient of the James T. Rogers Distinguished Leadership Award was Dr. David E. Potts, President of Judson College in Alabama. He has distinguished himself by being one of only a few individuals who has been involved in ALL aspects of this organization—as a SACSCOC Board member, member of the Executive Council, member of the Committees on Compliance and Reports, chair and member of the appeals committee, a witness for the Commission in an appeals case, chair of numerous evaluation committees, and a member of the SACSCOC Nominating Committee. His breadth of involvement over the past 20 years has strengthened the self-regulatory process and enhanced the spirit of volunteerism.

All three of these recipients demonstrate the vision, enthusiasm, and dedication to excellence that exemplifies the true spirit of the Distinguished Leadership Award.

Recipients of the Meritorious Service Award for 2011, 2012, and 2013

Meritorious Service Award Recipients, 2011

Dr. Joseph E. Early, *former Vice President for Academic Affairs, University of the Cumberlands*

Dr. Anne S. McNutt, *President, Bevell State Community College*

Dr. Gloria W. Raines, *former Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs, Louisiana State University in Shreveport*

Dr. Linwood H. Rose, *President Emeritus, James Madison University*

Dr. James C. Stamper, *Professor of Education, Belmont University*



Dr. John Hilpert (far left) and Dr. Belle Wheelan (far right) recognize the Meritorious Service Award Recipients (from left to right): Dr. James Stamper, Dr. Linwood Rose, Dr. Gloria Raines, Dr. Anne McNutt, and Dr. Joseph Early.

Meritorious Service Award Recipients, 2012

Dr. Diane M. Calhoun-French, *Provost and Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs, Jefferson Community and Technical College*

The Reverend Monsignor Franklyn M. Casale, *President, St. Thomas University*

Dr. Charles W. Gould, *President (retired), Florence-Darlington Technical College*

Dr. Keith P. Keeran, *Chancellor, Kentucky Christian University*

Dr. Patricia M. McKenzie, *Vice President and Dean of Instruction, Angelina College*



Dr. Belle Wheelan (far left) and Dr. John Hilpert (far right) congratulate Leadership and Service Award recipients (from left to right): Dr. Keith Keeran, Dr. Charles Gould, Dr. Gregory Chan representing Rev. Msgr. Franklyn Casale, Dr. William Abare (Leadership Award recipient), Dr. Diane Calhoun-French, and Dr. Patricia McKenzie.

Meritorious Service Award Recipients, 2013

Dr. Bert C. Bach, *Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, East Tennessee State University*

Mr. Ronald R. Dowdy, *Vice President for Fiscal Affairs, Bethune-Cookman University*

Dr. Myrtes D. Green, *Assistant to the President, T.A. Lawson State Community College*

Dr. John M. Hilpert, *President Emeritus, Delta State University*

Dr. L. Steve Thornburg, *President, Cleveland Community College*



Dr. Larry Earvin (far left) and Dr. James Rogers (far right) join Dr. Belle Wheelan in congratulating the Leadership and Service Award recipients (from left to right): Dr. Wilsie Bishop representing Dr. Bert Bach, Mr. Ronald Dowdy, Dr. Myrtes Green, Dr. David Potts (Leadership Award recipient), Dr. Mark Keenum representing Dr. John Hilpert, and Dr. L. Steve Thornburg.

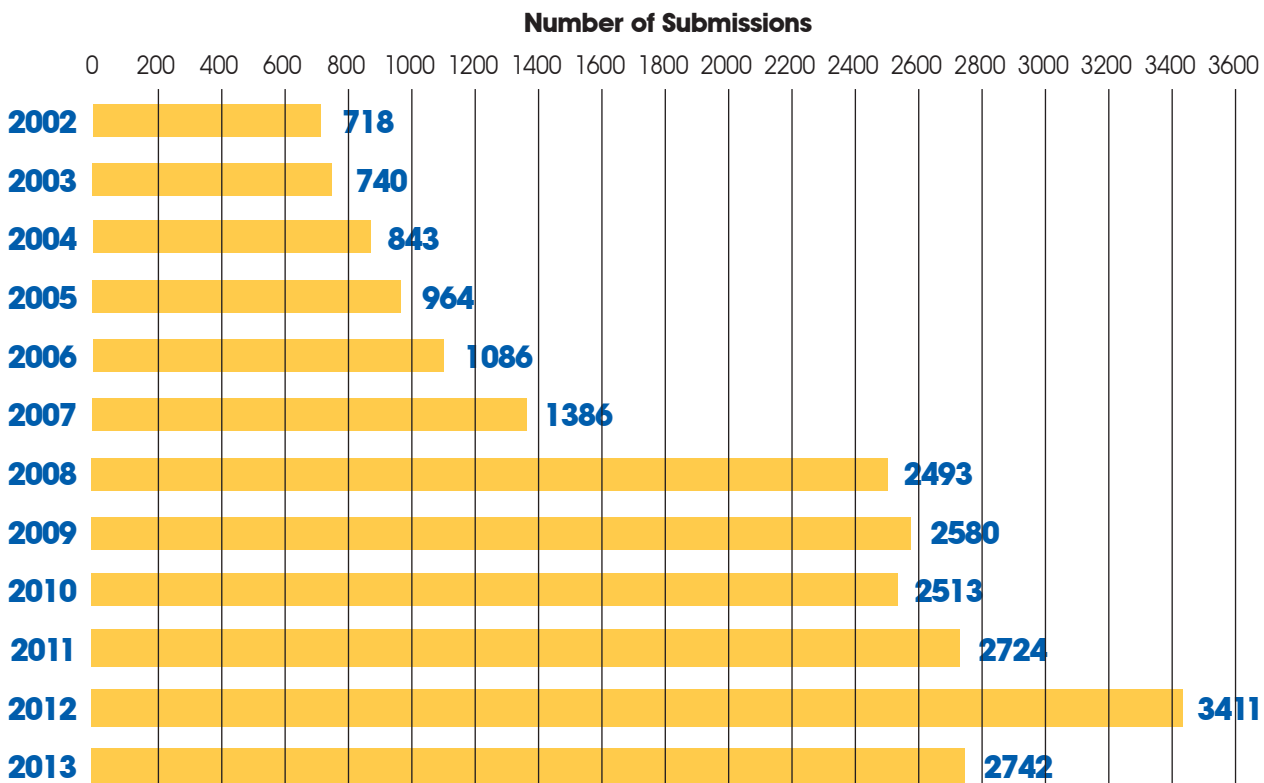


Number of Substantive Change Submissions Hits Record High, Unreported Substantive Change Cases Are Down

From 2002 to 2012, there was a steady increase in the number of substantive change submissions, reaching an all-time high of 3,411 submissions in 2012—or 13 submissions per working day. To help address the increased workload and reduce turnaround times,

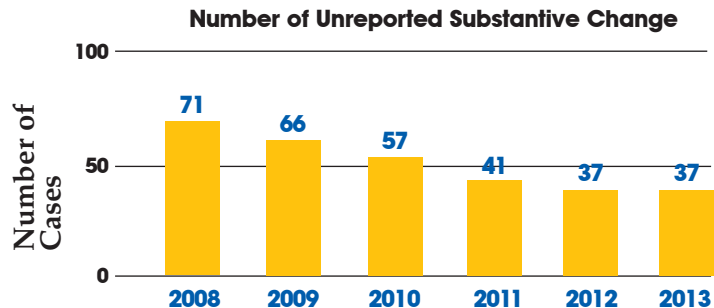
a Coordinator for Substantive Change and adjunct staff members have joined the staff in the review of substantive change materials. In 2013, there was a 20% reduction in the number of submissions due to a revision for notification requirements.

Substantive Change Submissions: 2002-2013



Cases of Unreported Substantive Change

The number of cases of unreported substantive change referred to C&R is also decreasing, declining 48% since 2008 when 71 cases were reviewed by C&R compared to 37 cases reviewed in 2013.



Accreditation Actions Taken by SACS Commission on Colleges Board of Trustees During the 10-Year Period Reviewed Under the *Principles of Accreditation*

The following table describes the type and number of cases of accreditation actions taken by the SACSCOC Board of Trustees since the implementation of the *Principles of Accreditation* in 2004. Note that the total number of cases beginning in 2007 increased due to the beginning of the Commission's review of unreported substantive changes submitted after the adoption in 2006 of Comprehensive Standard 3.12 on the reporting of substantive change.

TYPE OF ACTION	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	TOTALS
Reaffirmation of accreditation	30	79	79	74	73	80	87	78	77	76	733
Denial of reaffirmation & imposition of a sanction	5	7	6	3	7	10	12	14	10	6	80
Initial candidacy/renewal of candidacy	3	3	3	6	8	0	8	5	4	3	43
Initial accreditation	8	6	3	5	4	8	3	4	4	5	50
Removal from candidacy/denial of accreditation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Approval of change of degree level	10	11	12	18	13	15	19	19	14	21	152
Approval of other substantive change	4	7	0	11	3	12	5	9	17	14	82
Denial of approval of substantive change	5	7	8	7	6	9	7	5	7	8	69
Substantive change review by a committee	26	20	17	69	32	35	32	39	42	39	351
Review of unreported substantive change	NA	NA	NA	51	78	58	57	41	19	21	325
Review of Monitoring & Referral Reports**	164 *	113	130	100	100	174	187	206	209	184	1567
Review of Fifth-Year Interim Reports***	NA	NA	NA	NA	45	71	74	80	67	73	410
Removal from sanction	61	6	16	12	8	12	10	12	15	18	170
Imposition/continuation of Warning	12	12	13	10	12	10	15	15	18	13	130
Imposition/continuation of Probation	6	4	3	6	7	4	6	2	1	0	39
Imposition/continuation of Probation w/good cause	7	8	2	5	4	3	2	8	8	4	51
Action on removal from accreditation	3	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	3	1	10
Appeals of adverse actions	2	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	8
TOTAL CASES	346	283	292	379	400	503	526	538	516	487	4270

* Monitoring reports from pre-2004 SACSCOC action taken under the former *Criteria for Accreditation*.

** Referral reports are those reviewed by the Board of Trustees following review and referral by the Committee on Fifth-Year Interim Reports. These reports were first reviewed by the Board in June 2009.

*** The review of Fifth-Year Interim Reports began in December 2008.

Profile of the SACSCOC Evaluator Registry Membership for 2013

Over 6,000 higher education professionals from across the southern region have volunteered their expertise and are listed in the SACSCOC Evaluator Registry as potential evaluators. The Evaluator Registry is the Commission's database containing the names and qualifications of volunteer evaluators and is used to select review committee members with the knowledge and experience needed to assess institutions' compliance with the *Principles of Accreditation*. Each of the more than 800 member institutions is encouraged to nominate qualified individuals to serve as evaluators for the review process. The following tables and chart provide a profile of the evaluators included in the Registry by state, category, degree level, and institutional governance type.

TABLE 1

NUMBER OF EVALUATORS AND INSTITUTIONS BY STATE

State	Evaluators by State	Institutions by State
Alabama	420	53
Florida	651	77
Georgia	750	86
Kentucky	321	51
Louisiana	231	38
Mississippi	245	32
North Carolina	783	112
South Carolina	359	50
Tennessee	451	64
Texas	1,193	163
Virginia	506	72
International	116	6
TOTAL	6,026	804

TABLE 2

NUMBER OF EVALUATORS BY CATEGORY AND STATE

CATEGORY	AL	FL	GA	KY	LA	MS	NC	SC	TN	TX	VA	INT*	TOTAL
Academic Administration	149	201	228	96	71	82	252	98	147	375	148	14	1861
Academic Disciplines	56	95	95	52	40	25	97	44	63	182	78	6	833
Administrative Services	30	48	70	17	12	17	52	38	38	95	47	0	464
Continuing Education	1	1	1	0	2	0	6	1	0	6	3	0	21
Developmental Education	1	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	1	1	0	0	6
Educational Support	31	49	61	28	17	15	54	21	31	58	35	2	402
Extended Learning	2	3	4	2	1	1	4	1	3	12	3	0	36
Health Sciences	8	7	7	6	0	3	11	1	12	19	8	0	82
Institutional Effectiveness	34	82	92	27	22	39	96	53	43	144	55	10	697
Leadership	19	27	27	24	10	7	31	20	23	45	27	3	263
Occupational/Technical	3	1	0	2	0	2	3	0	0	8	1	0	20
Organization/Governance	44	80	79	44	34	35	96	45	54	151	58	9	729
QEP Evaluators	9	13	12	3	7	3	17	11	8	16	8	70	177
Student Services	33	44	74	19	15	16	62	26	28	81	35	2	435
TOTAL	420	651	750	321	231	245	783	359	451	1,193	506	116	6,026

* International/Out-of-Region Evaluators

TABLE 3
NUMBER OF EVALUATORS AND INSTITUTIONS BY DEGREE LEVEL

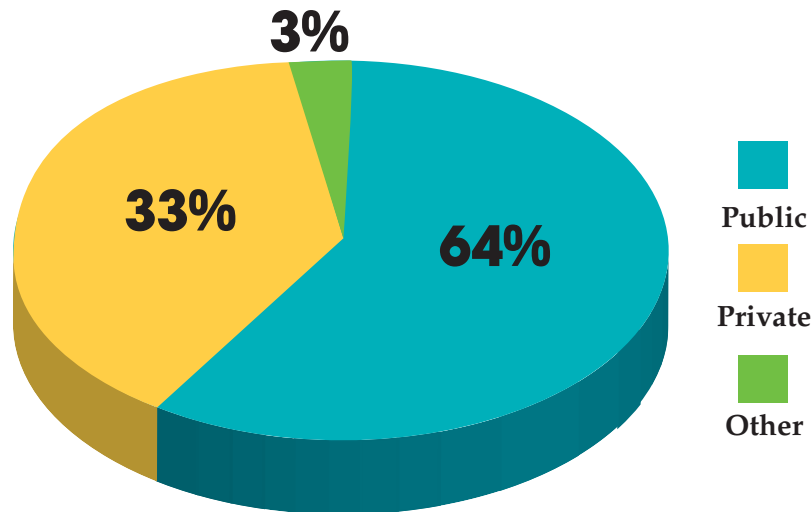
Level Category	Evaluators (by level)	Institutions (by level)
Level I	1,894	274
Level II	840	122
Level III	776	141
Level IV	161	23
Level V	1,045	140
Level VI	1,290	104
TOTAL	6,006**	804

(**Does not include evaluators representing state systems)

Institution is classified by the *highest degree level offered*.
The levels are as follows:

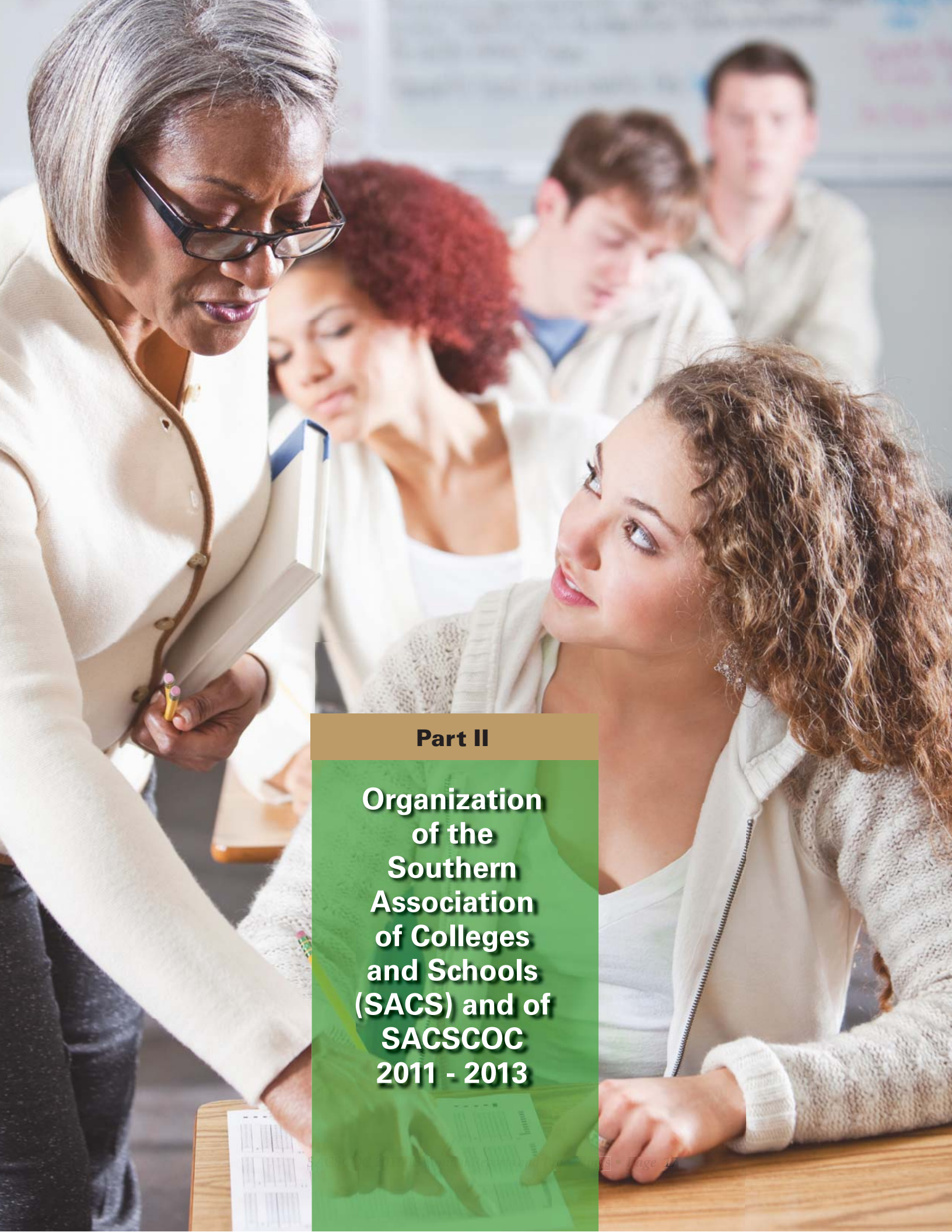
- Level I** Associate degree
- Level II** Baccalaureate degree
- Level III** Master’s degree
- Level IV** Master’s degree and Education Specialist
- Level V** Three or fewer doctoral degrees
- Level VI** Four or more doctoral degrees

CHART 1
PERCENTAGE OF EVALUATORS BY INSTITUTIONAL GOVERNANCE TYPE



*The category “Other” is non-specified and includes QEP, Out-of-Region, Retirees, and State System Evaluators

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Part II

Organization of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) and of SACSCOC 2011 - 2013



Organization of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) 2011 - 2013

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Mark A. Elgart, *President, SACS Council on Accreditation and School Improvement – 2012*

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Franklyn M. Casale, *President, Saint Thomas University, Miami Gardens, Fla. – 2011*

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Michael S. Johnson

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Heathrow, Fla. – 2012-present*

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Trina B. Boteler, *Executive Vice President, Chattahoochee Technical College, Marietta, Ga. – 2010-present*

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Wilson G. Bradshaw, *President, Florida Gulf Coast University, Fort Myers, Fla. – (resigned July 2012)*

Stephen R. Briggs, *President, Berry College, Mount Berry, Ga. – 2010-present*

Timothy S. Brophy, *Professor, Music Education and Director of Institutional Assessment,
University of Florida, Gainesville, Fla. – 2012-present*

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Roger G. Brown, *Chancellor (retired), The University of Tennessee at Chattanooga,
Chattanooga, Tenn. – 2006-2011*

Kelvin Buck (*Public Member*), *Chair, House Committee on Universities and Colleges, District 5,
Mississippi House of Representatives, Holly Springs, Miss. – 2012-present*

Jim M. Cairo, *Dean, School of Allied Health Professions, LSU Health Sciences Center,
New Orleans, La. – 2013-present*

Diane M. Calhoun-French, *Provost and Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs,
Jefferson Community and Technical College, Louisville, Ky. – 2006-2011*

John S. Capps, *President, Central Virginia Community College, Lynchburg, Va. – 2012 (resigned July 2012)*

W. Todd Carlisle (*Public Member*), *Attorney at Law, Sirote & Permutt, Birmingham, Ala. – 2013-present*

Franklyn M. Casale, *President, Saint Thomas University, Miami Gardens, Fla. – 2006-2011*

Theresa Y. Chiang, *Vice President for Academic Administration (retired),
University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio, San Antonio, Tex. – 2009-2012 (retired July 2012)*

Mary Ann Coleman (*Public Member*), *President and CEO, Louisiana Association of Independent Colleges & Universities, Baton Rouge, La. – 2013-present*

William B. Drake Jr., *President, Midway College, Midway, Ky. – 2011 (resigned 2011)*

Larry L. Earvin, *President, Huston-Tillotson University, Austin, Tex. – 2009-2013*

Scott D. Elliott, *President, Meridian Community College, Meridian, Miss. – 2009-2011*

Brenda S. Fettrow (*Public Member*), *Deputy City Manager, City of Cocoa, Cocoa, Fla. – 2007-2011*

Benito Flores, *Dean, Division of Engineering and Technologies, Universidad de Monterrey, Mexico – 2010-present*

Kenneth R. Garren, *President, Lynchburg College, Lynchburg, Va. – 2007-2011*

Carol Z. Garrison, *President Emerita, The University of Alabama at Birmingham, Birmingham, Ala. – 2011-present*

Michael A. Gerber (*Public Member*), *President, Cross Channel Initiatives, Atlanta, Ga. – 2012-present*

Dana L. Gibson, *President, Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, Tex. – 2013-present*

Michael A. Gillette (*Public Member*), *former President, Bioethical Services of Virginia, Lynchburg, Va. – 2011-2013*

Andy S. Gomez, *Associate Provost for Planning, Institutional Research, and Assessment, Senior Fellow, Institute for Cuban and Cuban American Studies, University of Miami, Coral Gables, Fla. – 2009-2011*

Judy T. Gooch (*Public Member*), *Oak Ridge, Tenn. – 2013-present*

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Kimberely B. Hall, *Executive Vice President, South College, Knoxville, Tenn. – 2012-present*

Thomas L. Hallman, *Chancellor, University of South Carolina Aiken, Aiken, S.C. – 2007-2011*

Paul Hankins (*Public Member*), *President, Alabama Association of Independent Colleges & Universities, Montgomery, Ala. – 2010-2012*

Natalie J. Harder, *Chancellor, South Louisiana Community College, Lafayette, La. – 2013-present*

Sandra S. Harper, *President, McMurry University, Abilene, Tex. – 2013-present*

Walter Harris Jr., *Distinguished University Professor and Professor of Music, Loyola University New Orleans, River Ridge, La. – 2007-2012*

Billy C. Hawkins, *President, Talladega College, Talladega, Ala. – 2011-present*

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John M. Hilpert, *President, Delta State University, Cleveland, Miss. – 2006-2012*

Billy D. Hilyer, *President, Faulkner University, Montgomery, Ala. – 2009-present*

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Robin W. Hoffman, *President, DeKalb Technical College, Decatur, Ga. – 2008-2011 (resigned June 2011)*

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Katherine M. Johnson, *President, Pasco Hernando Community College, New Port Richey, Fla. – 2010-present*

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- Rose H. Johnson**, former President, Haywood Community College, Clyde, N.C. – 2009-2011
- Daniel W. Jones**, Chancellor, University of Mississippi, University, Miss. – 2013-present
- Myles T. Jones** (Public Member), Realtor, Coldwell Banker Huff & Pennink Advantage, Eastover, N.C. – 2010-2012
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- Mark E. Keenum**, President, Mississippi State University, Mississippi State, Miss. – 2011-present
- Flavius C. Killebrew**, President, Texas A & M University - Corpus Christi, Corpus Christi, Tex. – 2012-present
- Mary P. Kirk**, President, Montgomery Community College, Troy, N.C. – 2012-present
- James S. Klauber**, President, Owensboro Community and Technical College, Owensboro, Ky. – 2012-present
- Charles D. Lein** (Public Member), Retired President, Stuller Inc./Management Consultant, Lafayette, La. – 2010-2012
- Jack R. Lohman**, Vice Provost for Faculty and Academic Development, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Ga. – 2008-2011
- William T. Luckey Jr.**, President, Lindsey Wilson College, Columbia, Ky. – 2008-2013
- D.E. Magee** (Public Member), The Magee Clinic, Jackson, Miss. – 2009-2011
- David P. Manuel**, Chancellor, Louisiana State University at Alexandria, Alexandria, La. – 2011-2012 (resigned 2012)
- Paul W. Martin Jr.** (Public Member), Chief Managing Member, Clarity Resources LLC, Knoxville, Tenn. – 2010-2012
- Andrea S. Mayfield**, Vice President for Institutional Research and Effectiveness, East Mississippi Community College, Scooba, Miss. – 2013-present
- Terry M. McConathy**, Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean of the Graduate School, Louisiana Tech University, Ruston, La. – 2010-present
- Betty A. McCrohan**, President, Wharton County Junior College, Wharton, Tex. – 2011-present
- F. Craig McDaniel**, President, Georgia Northwestern Technical College, Rome, Ga. – 2011-2012 (retired 2012)
- Johnette McKown**, President, McLennan Community College, Waco, Tex. – 2013-present
- Sidney A. McPhee**, President, Middle Tennessee State University, Murfreesboro, Tenn. – 2006-2011
- C. Edward Meadows**, President, Pensacola State College, Pensacola, Fla. – 2009-present
- Timothy S. Mescon**, President, Columbus State University, Columbus, Ga. – 2013-present
- Gordon E. Michalson Jr.**, President, New College of Florida, Sarasota, Fla. – 2010-2012
- Charles R. Mojock**, President, Lake-Sumter State College, Leesburg, Fla. – 2013-present
- Nancy B. Moody**, President, Tusculum College, Greeneville, Tenn. – 2012-present
- Brian E. Noland**, President, East Tennessee State University, Johnson City, Tenn. – 2013-present
- Darrell F. Parker**, Dean, College of Business, Western Carolina University, Cullowhee, N.C. – 2008-2013
- D. Ray Perren**, President, Lanier Technical College, Oakwood, Ga. – 2013-present
- Emma B. Perry**, Dean of Libraries, Southern University and A & M College at Baton Rouge, Baton Rouge, La. – 2008-2013
- Richard W. Phillips**, President, Southern College of Optometry, Memphis, Tenn. – 2013-present
- Martin H. Posey**, Associate Vice Chancellor and Dean of Undergraduate Studies, University of North Carolina at Wilmington, Wilmington, N.C. – 2008-2013
- Joseph C. Rallo**, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, Texas Tech University System, Lubbock, Tex. – 2010-present
- Trudie Kibbe Reed**, President (retired), Bethune-Cookman College, Daytona Beach, Fla. – 2010-2011 (retired April 2011)
- Rosalind R. Reichard**, President, Emory Henry College, Emory, Va. – 2010-2013 (retired July 2013)

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- Brenda Hyde Rogers** (*Public Member*), *Educational Consultant (retired), Chapel Hill, N.C. – 2013-present*
- John H. Russell**, *President (retired), McMurry University, Abilene, Tex. – 2008-2013 (retired May 2013)*
- Carla D. Sanderson**, *Provost and Executive Vice President, Union University, Jackson, Tenn. – 2012-present*
- Martha D. Saunders**, *Provost, University of West Florida, Pensacola, Fla. – 2008-2013*
- E. Joseph Savoie**, *President, The University of Louisiana at Lafayette, Lafayette, La. – 2009-present*
- Edward L. Schrader**, *President, Brenau University, Gainesville, Ga. – 2012-present*
- Mary Evans Sias**, *President, Kentucky State University, Frankfort, Ky. – 2013-present*
- William A. Staples**, *President, University of Houston- Clear Lake, Houston, Tex. – 2009-2011*
- Wilson Stone** (*Public Member*), *House of Representatives, Kentucky Legislature, Scottsville, Ky. – 2012-present*
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- L. Steve Thornburg**, *President, Cleveland Community College, Shelby, N.C. – 2007-2012*
- John G. Thornell**, *Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost, University of North Alabama, Florence, Ala. – 2010-present*
- T. Andrew Westmoreland**, *President, Samford, University, Birmingham, Ala. – 2009-present*
- Evans P. Whitaker**, *President, Anderson University, Anderson, S.C. – 2009-present*
- Stan A. Wilkins**, *Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs (retired), Bossier Parish Community College, Bossier City, La. – 2009-2012 (resigned 2012)*
- Susan A. Winsor**, *President, Aiken Technical College, Aiken, S.C. – 2009-present*
- Daniel A. Wubah**, *Provost, Washington and Lee University, Blacksburg, Va. – 2011-present*

Executive Council of SACSCOC: 2011–2013

- James A. Anderson**, *Chancellor, Fayetteville State University, Fayetteville, N.C. – 2013*
- Robert G. Boehmer**, *President, East Georgia State College, Swainsboro, Ga. – 2011 (filled unexpired term), 2012-2013*
- John W. Bardo**, *Chancellor (retired), Western Carolina University, Cullowhee, N.C. – 2010-2011*
- Franklyn M. Casale (Vice Chair – 2011)**, *President, Saint Thomas University, Miami Gardens, Fla. – 2009-2011*
- Larry L. Earvin (Chair – 2013, Vice Chair – 2012)**, *President & CEO, Huston-Tillotson University, Austin, Tex. – 2010-2013*
- Michael A. Gerber**, *President, Cross Channel Initiatives, Atlanta, Ga. – 2013*
- Michael A. Gillette**, *former President, Bioethical Services of Virginia, Lynchburg, Va. – 2012*
- Kevin E. Grady**, *Retired Partner, Alston & Bird LLP, Atlanta, Ga. – 2010-2011*
- Thomas L. Hallman**, *Chancellor (retired), University of South Carolina Aiken, Aiken, S.C. – 2009-2011*
- Vicki P. Hawsey**, *President, Wallace State Community College, Hanceville, Ala. – 2009-2011*
- John M. Hilpert (Chair – 2010-2012)**, *President, Delta State University, Cleveland, Miss. – 2009-2012*
- Carl M. Hite (Vice Chair – 2013)**, *President, Cleveland State Community College, Cleveland, Tenn. – 2011-2013*
- Robin W. Hoffman**, *President, DeKalb Technical College, Decatur, Ga. – 2011 (resigned June 2011)*
- William G. Ingram**, *President, Durham Technical Community College, Durham, N.C. – 2012*
- Mark E. Keenum**, *President, Mississippi State University, Mississippi State, Miss. – 2013*
- James S. Klauber**, *President, Owensboro Community and Technical College, Owensboro, Ky. – 2013*
- William T. Luckey Jr.**, *President, Lindsey Wilson College, Columbia, Ky. – 2010-2012*
- C. Edward Meadows**, *President, Pensacola State College, Pensacola, Fla. – 2012 (filled unexpired term), 2013*
- Trudie Kibbe Reed**, *President (retired), Bethune-Cookman University, Daytona Beach, Fla. – 2012 (retired April 2012)*
- Rosalind R. Reichard**, *President, Emory Henry College, Emory, Va. – 2011-2013 (retired July 2013)*
- John H. Russell**, *President (retired), McMurry University, Abilene, Tex. – 2013 (retired May 2013)*
- Martha D. Saunders**, *Provost, University of West Florida, Pensacola, Fla. – 2010-2012*
- E. Joseph Savoie**, *President, The University of Louisiana Lafayette, Lafayette, La. – 2011-2013*
- Linda K. Thomas-Glover**, *President, Eastern Shore Community College, Melfa, Va. – 2013 (filled unexpired term)*
- T. Andrew Westmoreland**, *President, Samford University, Birmingham, Ala. – 2012-2013*
- Susan A. Winsor**, *President, Aiken Technical College, Aiken, S.C. – 2012-2013*

Standing Committees of the Commission and the College Delegate Assembly: 2011–2013

Committees on Compliance and Reports

The Committees on Compliance and Reports (C & R) include Board of Trustee members listed who are not members of the Executive Council (see above for list of Council members). The Committees also include a limited number of appointed special readers. Listed below are the Chairs of the Committees on Compliance and Reports and special readers who served in 2011 – 2013. For the Chairs, the years of service within 2011-13 are indicated.

Chairs of the Committees on Compliance and Reports

- William T. Abare Jr.**, *President, Flagler College, St. Augustine, Fla.* – 2011
- MaryLou Apple**, *President, Motlow State Community College, Lynchburg, Tenn.* – 2012-2013
- Wilsie S. Bishop**, *Vice President for Health Affairs and Chief Operating Officer, East Tennessee State University, Johnson City, Tenn.* – 2011-2012
- Stephen R. Briggs**, *President, Berry College, Mount Berry, Ga.* – 2013
- Diane M. Calhoun-French**, *Provost and Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs, Jefferson Community and Technical College, Louisville, Ky.* – 2011
- Walter Harris**, *Distinguished University Professor, Loyola University, New Orleans, La.* – 2011-2012
- William G. Ingram**, *President, Durham Technical Community College, Durham, N.C.* – 2011, 2013
- William T. Luckey Jr.**, *President, Lindsey Wilson College, Columbia, Ky.* – 2013
- Terry M. McConathy**, *Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean of the Graduate School, Louisiana Tech University, Ruston, La.* – 2013
- Joseph C. Rallo**, *Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, Texas Tech University System, Lubbock, Tex.* – 2012-2013
- John H. Russell**, *President (retired), McMurry University, Abilene, Tex.* – 2011-2012
- L. Steve Thornburg**, *President, Cleveland Community College, Shelby, N.C.* – 2012

Special C & R Committee Members

- Brenda Alexander**, *Senior Vice President for Finance and Administration, Howard Payne University, Brownwood, Tex.* – 2011-2012
- Suzanne N. Barr**, *Associate Vice President for Planning and Accreditation, Trident Technical College, Charleston, S.C.* – 2011-2013
- Scott Bennett**, *Assistant Vice President, Administration & Finance, University of North Florida, Jacksonville, Fla.* – 2012
- David Carson**, *Vice President for Business and Finance, Armstrong Atlantic State University, Savannah, Ga.* – 2012
- Louise J. Clark**, *Associate Dean/MBA Director, College of Business, Jacksonville State University, Jacksonville, Ala.* – 2011-2013
- Horace Chase**, *Vice President for Financial & Administrative Affairs, Jackson State Community College, Jackson, Tenn.* – 2012
- David D. Collins**, *Vice President for Finance and Administration, East Tennessee State University, Johnson City, Tenn.* – 2011-2013
- Ronald R. Dowdy**, *Vice President for Fiscal Affairs, Bethune-Cookman University, Daytona Beach, Fla.* – 2011-2013
- Roger Drake**, *former Vice President for Administration and Finance, Lindsey Wilson College, Columbia, Ky.* – 2012

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- Kathy L. Dye**, *Professor, Thomas More College, Crestview Hills, Ky. – 2012-2013*
- Richard J. Federinko**, *Senior Vice Chancellor, Student Services and Administration (retired), Troy University, Troy, Ala. – 2011*
- Charlie D. Fiskeaux**, *Vice President for Business Affairs and Treasurer, Asbury University, Wilmore, Ky. – 2013*
- Jerry Forster**, *Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer, University of the South, Sewanee, Tenn. – 2011*
- Susan Gunby**, *Professor, Georgia Baptist College of Nursing, Mercer University, Atlanta, Ga. – 2013*
- Sandra S. Harper**, *President, McMurry University, Abilene, Tex. – 2011-2012*
- C. Ray Hayes**, *Executive Vice Chancellor for Finance and Operations, University of Alabama System, Tuscaloosa, Ala. – 2011*
- J. Samuel Isgett**, *Vice President for Graduate Studies, North Greenville University, Greer, S.C. – 2012-2013*
- Keith Keeran**, *Chancellor, Kentucky Christian University, Grayson, Ky. – 2012*
- Dale C. Larson**, *Vice President for Business and Finance/CFO, Dallas Theological Seminary, Dallas, Tex. – 2013*
- J. Steve Lee**, *Vice President for Business Affairs, University of Mobile, Mobile, Ala. – 2011-2013*
- Virginia S. Lucas**, *Vice President for Finance, Sampson Community College, Clinton, N.C. – 2011-2013*
- Jeff K. Metcalf**, *President, Kentucky Christian University, Grayson, Ky. – 2011-2013*
- E. Dean Montgomery**, *Executive Vice President for Finance and Administration/CFO, Bethune-Cookman University, Daytona Beach, Fla. – 2011*
- Debbie C. Norris**, *Vice President for Planning & Assessment and Graduate Dean, Mississippi College, Clinton, Miss. – 2012-2013*
- Harold R. Preston**, *Senior Vice President for Finance and Management, Hardin-Simmons University, Abilene, Tex. – 2011, 2013*
- Carla D. Sanderson**, *Provost and Executive Vice President, Union University, Jackson, Tenn. – 2011*
- Deana M. Savage**, *Associate Vice President of Instruction, Midland College, Midland, Tex. – 2011-2012*
- Elaine K. Seebo**, *Associate Vice President of External Campuses, Wayland Baptist University, Plainview, Tex. – 2011-2013*

Committees to Review Fifth-Year Interim Reports: 2011–2013

The Committees to Review Fifth-Year Interim Reports are chaired by an elected SACSCOC Board of Trustees member and the Committee membership includes appointed evaluators who have experience serving on off-site and/or on-site review committees. Listed below are the Committees and their subcommittee chairs responsible for reviews in 2011 - 2013.

Chairs:

- Diane M. Calhoun-French**, *Provost and Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs, Jefferson Community and Technical College, Louisville, Ky. – 2011*
- Walter Harris Jr.**, *Distinguished University Professor and Professor of Music, Loyola University New Orleans, New Orleans, La – 2012*
- William G. Ingram**, *President, Durham Technical Community College, Durham, N.C. – 2011, 2013*
- Terry M. McConathy**, *Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean of the Graduate School, Louisiana Tech University, Ruston, La. – 2013*
- John H. Russell**, *President (retired), McMurry University, Abilene, Tex. – 2012*

Subcommittee Chairs:

- Susan L. Bosworth**, *Associate Provost for Institutional Analysis & Effectiveness, The College of William & Mary, Williamsburg, Va. – 2011*

- Sandra M Carey**, *Dean of Academic Affairs, Bluegrass Community and Technical College, Lexington, Ky. – 2011-2012*
- Glenda F. Colagross**, *Interim President, Southern Union State Community College, Opelika, Ala. – 2011-2012*
- Sharon B. Enzor**, *Vice President for Academic Affairs, Blue Mountain College, Blue Mountain, Miss. – 2012-2013*
- Herlinda Glasscock**, *President (retired), North Lake College, Corinth, Tex. – 2011*
- Linda S. Glaze**, *Associate Provost for Undergraduate Studies (retired), Auburn University, Auburn, Ala. – 2012*
- Tim D. Goodman**, *Vice President for Academic Affairs, East Georgia State College, Swainsboro, Ga. – 2011, 2013*
- Ross A. Griffith**, *Director, Institutional Research and Academic Administration (retired), Wake Forest University, Winston-Salem, N.C. – 2011*
- E. Clayton Hess**, *Vice President for Academic Affairs, Lincoln Memorial University, Harrogate, Tenn. – 2012*
- David J. Hoas**, *Professor of Economics, Centenary College of Louisiana, Shreveport, La. – 2012-2013*
- J. Samuel Isgett**, *Vice President for Graduate Studies, North Greenville University, Greer, S.C. – 2011-2012*
- Dennis F. King**, *Interim President, Asheville-Buncombe Technical Community College, Asheville, N.C. – 2012-2013*
- Mark A. Matson**, *Associate Professor of Bible, Milligan College, Milligan, Tenn. – 2011*
- Kathleen H. McDonough**, *Professor of Physiology and Associate Dean, Department of Physiology, LSU Health Sciences Center, New Orleans, La. – 2013*
- Patricia M. McKenzie**, *Vice President and Dean of Instruction, Angelina College, Lufkin, Tex. – 2013*
- Philip S. Moore**, *Enrollment Analytics Researcher, Department of Enrollment Management, University of South Carolina, Columbia, S.C. – 2012*
- Susan A. Siltanen**, *Dean of the Graduate School, Professor of Communication, University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg, Miss. – 2013*

Appeals Committee of the College Delegate Assembly: 2011–2013 (For Classes of 2011, 2012, and 2013)

Class of 2011 (2009 – 2011)

- David L. Beckley**, *President, Rust College, Holly Springs, Miss.*
- Mark R. Foley**, *President, University of Mobile, Mobile, Ala.*
- Martha Nesbitt**, *President, Gainesville State College, Gainesville, Ga.*
- Henry N. Tisdale**, *President, Claflin University, Orangeburg, S.C. (elected December 2009 to fill vacancy)*

Class of 2012 (2010 – 2012)

- Linda B. Adair**, *Executive Vice President (retired), Gulf Coast State College, Panama City, FL (resigned December 2011)*
- Kent J. Chabotar**, *President, Guilford College, Greensboro, N.C.*
- Deborah Diddle**, *Certified Public Accountant, Knoxville, Tn. (elected December 2011 to fill vacancy)*
- Gerald L. Francis**, *Executive Vice President, Elon University, Elon, N.C.*
- Elva C. LeBlanc**, *President, Northwest Campus, Tarrant County College District, Fort Worth, Tex.*

Class of 2013 (2011 – 2013)

Michael F. Adams, *President, University of Georgia, Athens, Ga.*

W. Blaine Early III, *Attorney at Law, Stites & Harbison PLLC,
Lexington, Ky. (elected December 2011 to fill vacancy)*

Martha M. Ellis, *Associate Vice Chancellor Community College Partnerships, University of Texas System
Office of Academic Affairs, Austin, Tex. (elected December 2011 to fill vacancy)*

Harold L. Martin, *Chancellor, North Carolina Agricultural & Technical State University, Greensboro, N.C.*

Carla D. Sanderson, *Provost & Vice President for Academic Affairs, Union University,
Jackson, Tenn. (resigned December 2011)*

Class of 2014 (2012 – 2014)

Robert I. Fernandez, *President, Fernandez & Company, Fort Worth, Tex.*

Bruce T. Murphy, *Chief Academic Officer, Air University, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala. (resigned July
2013)*

David E. Potts, *President, Judson College, Marion, Ala.*

Denise M. Trauth, *President, Texas State University-San Marcos, San Marcos, Tex.*

Martin H. Posey, *Associate Vice Chancellor and Dean of Undergraduate Studies, University of North
Carolina at Wilmington, Wilmington, N.C. (elected December 2013 to fill vacancy)*

Class of 2015 (2013 – 2015)

William T. Abare Jr., *President, Flagler College, St. Augustine, Fla.*

Karen A. Bowyer, *President, Dyersburg State Community College, Dyersburg, Tenn.*

Charles Paul Conn, *President, Lee University, Cleveland, Tenn.*

Mark R. Foley, *President, University of Mobile, Mobile, Al.*

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Oren R. Griffin, *Associate Dean for Academic Affairs and Associate Professor of Law,
Mercer School of Law, Mercer University, Macon, Ga.*

Patrick K. Hetrick, *Professor of Law, Normal Adrian Wiggins School of Law,
Campbell University, Raleigh, N.C.*

C. Paul Rogers III, *Professor of Law, Dedman School of Law, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Tex.*

Caryl A. Yzenbaard, *Professor of Law, Chase College of Law, Northern Kentucky University,
Highland Heights, Ky. – 2011*

AD HOC Committees: 2011–2013

Annual Meeting Program Planning Committee

Chairs:

Ronald Durnford, *Vice President, Planning and Institutional Research, Xavier University of Louisiana, New Orleans, La. – 2013 Co-Chair*

Cathy Hakes, *Director of Accreditation and Certification Activities, Georgia Gwinnett College, Lawrenceville, Ga. – 2013 Co-Chair*

Mary M. Harrington, *Director of Institutional Research and Assessment, The University of Mississippi, University, MS – 2012*

Susan Wooten, *Chair, Associate Provost, Anderson University, Anderson, S.C. – 2011*

Members:

Patricia Abell, *Vice President, Planning and Information Resources, Spartanburg Community College, Spartanburg, S.C. – 2013*; **Renea Akin**, *Dean of Institutional Planning, Research & Effectiveness, West Kentucky Community and Technical College, Paducah, Ky. – 2011*; **Donna Alexander**, *Dean, Mathematics, Natural and Behavioral Sciences, John Tyler Community College, Midlothian, Va. – 2011- 2012*; **Glenda F. Carter**, *Executive Vice President & Provost, Wiley College, Marshall, Tex. – 2011*; **Diane Z. Chase**, *Executive Vice Provost for Academic Affairs, University of Central Florida, Orlando, Fla. – 2011*; **Vanneise Collins**, *Director, Center for Learning & Development and QEP Director, University of North Texas Health Science Center at Fort Worth, Fort Worth, Tex. – 2012- 2013*; **Tace Crouse**, *Coordinator of Fifth-Year Interim Report and Special Projects, University of Central Florida, Orlando, Fla. – 2013*; **Nuria M. Cuevas**, *Vice Provost, Norfolk State University, Norfolk, Va. – 2011*; **John Dew**, *Senior Vice Chancellor, Student Services and Administration, Troy University, Troy, Ala. – 2013*; **Rosemary C. Dill**, *Vice President for Institutional Effectiveness, Coahoma Community College, Clarksdale, Miss. – 2011*; **Patricia Donat**, *Vice President for Academic Affairs, University of North Georgia, Dahlonega, Ga. – 2013*; **Ronald Durnford**, *Vice President, Planning and Institutional Research, Xavier University of Louisiana, New Orleans, La. – 2012*; **Sharon B. Enzor**, *Vice President for Academic Affairs, Blue Mountain College, Blue Mountain, Miss. – 2012-2013*; **Kimberly K. Estep**, *Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, Tusculum College, Greeneville, Tenn. – 2011*; **Kurt E. Ewen**, *Assistant Vice President for Academic Learning Support, Valencia Community College, Orlando, Fla. – 2011*; **Marilyn J. Greer**, *Director, Institutional Research, University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center, Houston, Tex. – 2011*; **Elaine Griffin**, *Associate Provost for Institutional Effectiveness, Lipscomb University, Nashville, Tenn. – 2011*; **Kimberly B. Hall**, *Executive Vice President, South College, Knoxville, Tenn. – 2012*; **Burt Harres**, *Vice President of Instruction and Provost, Pasco-Hernandez Community College, New Port Richey, Fla. – 2013*; **Mary M. Harrington**, *Director of Institutional Research and Assessment, The University of Mississippi, University, Miss. – 2011*; **Clayton Hess**, *Vice President for Academic Affairs, Lincoln Memorial University, Harrogate, Tenn. – 2013*; **M.T. Hickman**, *Program Coordinator, Travel, Exposition & Meeting Management, Richland College, Dallas, Tex. – 2012*; **Michael T. Hoefler**, *Director of Institutional Effectiveness and Research, The Art Institute of Atlanta, Atlanta, Ga. – 2011- 2012*; **Marilyn Kurata**, *Director, Core Curriculum Enhancement, The University of Alabama at Birmingham, Birmingham, Ala. – 2011*; **Donald L. Lassiter**, *Vice President, Planning and Evaluation, Dean, School of Graduate Studies, Methodist University, Fayetteville, N.C. – 2011*; **J. Kelly McCoy**, *Department Head, Biology, Angelo State University, San Angelo, Tex. – 2011-2012*; **Pollie S. Murphy**, *Assistant Provost for Academic Affairs, Hampton University, Hampton, Va. – 2011*; **Daniel Mynatt**, *Dean, College of Humanities, University of Mary Hardin-Baylor, Belton, Tex. – 2012-2013*; **Tisha M. Paredes**, *Senior Research Associate, Institutional Research and Assessment, Old Dominion University, Norfolk, Va. – 2013*; **Lynne Pearcey**, *Dean and Professor, School of Nursing, University of North Carolina at Greensboro, Greensboro, N.C. – 2012*; **Edith Pendleton**, *Vice President, Strategic Initiatives, Edison State College, Fort Myers, Fla. – 2012-2013*; **Gail Ware**, *Vice President for Institutional Effectiveness, Southeastern Technical College, Swainsboro, Ga. – 2012-2013*; and **Catherine Wehlburg**, *Assistant Provost for Institutional Effectiveness, Texas Christian University, Fort Worth, Tex. – 2012-2013*

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Harold L. Martin Sr., Chancellor, North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University, Greensboro, N.C. – 2011

Vice-Chair:

William T. Luckey Jr., President, Lindsey Wilson College, Columbia, Ky. – 2012

Members:

Suzanne N. Barr, Associate Vice President for Planning and Accreditation, Trident Technical College, Charleston, S.C. – 2011-2012; **Susan L. Bosworth**, Associate Provost for Planning and Analysis, The College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, Va. – 2011-2012; **Glenna G. Brown**, Associate Provost for Planning and Analysis, The University of Alabama at Birmingham, Birmingham, Ala. – 2011-2012; **Myra N. Burnett**, Vice Provost, Spelman College, Atlanta, Ga. – 2012-2013; **Virginia M. Carson**, President, South Georgia College, Douglas, Ga. – 2011; **Warren J. Carson**, Associate Vice-Chancellor for Academic Affairs, University of South Carolina Upstate, Spartanburg, S.C. – 2013; **Michelle Asha Cooper (At-Large)**, President, Institute for Higher Education Policy, Washington, DC – 2013; **Tara L. Cooper**, Director of Library Services, Union College, Barbourville, Ky. – 2013; **Elizabeth H. Crowther**, President, Rappahannock Community College, Glenss, Va. – 2013; **Juliet V. Garcia (At-Large)**, President, The University of Texas at Brownsville, Brownsville, Tex. – 2012-2013; **Martin Gonzalez**, Vice President of Academic Affairs, Retired, Pensacola State College, Pensacola, Fla. – 2012-2013; **Constance S. Hendricks**, Charles W. Barkley Endowed Professor, School of Nursing, Auburn University, Auburn University, Ala. – 2013; **Gery C. Hohanadel**, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, Keiser University, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. – 2011-2013; **George D. Kuh (Professional Accrediting Agency Representative)**, Chancellor's Professor of Higher Education and Director, Center for Postsecondary Research, Indiana University Bloomington, Ind. – 2011-2013; **Michael G. Levitzky**, Professor of Physiology, LSU Health Sciences Center, New Orleans, La. – 2011-2013; **William T. Luckey Jr.**, President, Lindsey Wilson College, Columbia, Ky. – 2011; **Merdis J. McCarter (At-large)**, Senior Associate Provost for Academic Affairs, Winston-Salem State University, Winston-Salem, N.C. – 2011; **Harold L. Martin Sr.**, Chancellor, North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University, Greensboro, N.C. – 2012-2013; **Sidney A. McPhee**, President, Middle Tennessee State University, Murfreesboro, Tenn. – 2011-2013; **Debbie C. Norris**, Vice President for Planning and Assessment and Graduate Dean, Mississippi College, Clinton, Miss. – 2011; **William L. Perry (At-large)**, President, Eastern Illinois University, Charleston, Ill. – 2012; **Gloria Raines (At-large)**, Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs, Louisiana State University in Shreveport, La. – 2011; **Ricardo Romo**, President, The University of Texas at San Antonio, San Antonio, Tex. – 2011; and **Lynn M. Tincher-Ladner**, Director, Institutional Research, Phi Theta Kappa, Jackson, Miss. – 2012-2013

Principles Review Committee: 2011

Chair:

Robin W. Hoffman, *President, Dekalb Technical College, Clarkston, Ga.*

Members:

Neal E. Armstrong, *Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs, University of Texas at Austin*; **Nuria M. Cuevas**, *Interim Dean, College of Liberal Arts, Norfolk State University, Norfolk, Va.*; **Cynthia S. Jarrett**, *Special Assistant to the President (retired), University of Montevallo, Birmingham, Ala.*; **Beverly M. Moon**, *Dean of Research, Assessment, & Planning, Delta State University, Cleveland, Miss.*; **James C. Stamper**, *Professor of Education, Belmont University, Nashville, Tenn.*; **Gina Cortez-Suarez**, *President, InterAmerican Campus, Miami Dade College, Miami, Fla.*

Resource Manual Review Committee: 2011

Chair:

Wilsie S. Bishop, *Vice President for Health Affairs and Chief Operating Officer, East Tennessee State University, Johnson City, Tenn.*

Members:

Robert G. Boehmer, *President, East Georgia State College, Swainsboro, Ga.*; **Patricia L. Donat**, *Vice President for Academic Affairs, University of North Georgia, Dahlonega, Ga.*; **Mark V. Smith**, *Distinguished Service Professor of Education and Education Program Director (retired), Rhodes College, Memphis, Tenn.*

Nominating Committee of the SACSCOC

2011

Chair:

Linwood Rose, *President, James Madison University, Harrisonburg, Va.*

Members:

M. Christopher Brown II, *former President, Alcorn State University, Lorman, Miss.*; **William Holda**, *President, Kilgore College, Kilgore, Tex.*; **E. Ann McGee**, *President, Seminole State College of Florida, Winter Springs, Fla.*; **James H. Taylor**, *President, University of the Cumberland, Williamsburg, Ky.*

2012

Chair:

M. Christopher Brown II, *former President, Alcorn State University, Lorman, Miss.*

Members:

Charles Paul Conn, *President, Lee University, Cleveland, Tenn.*; **Tracy Fitzsimmons**, *President, Shenandoah University, Winchester, Va.*; **Ann Stuart**, *Chancellor & President, Texas Woman's University, Denton, Tex.*; **William D. Underwood**, *President, Mercer University, Macon, Ga.*

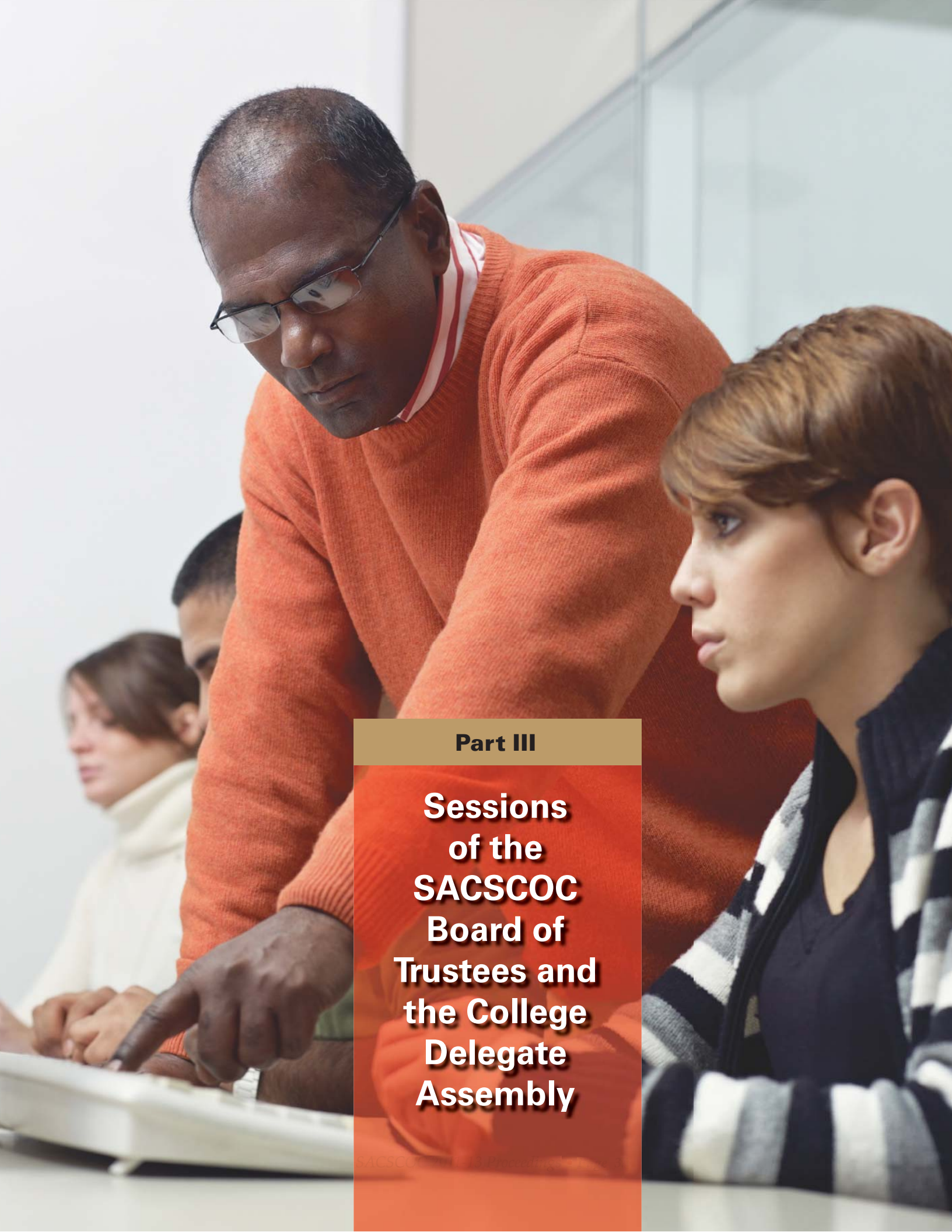
2013

Chair:

Tracy Fitzsimmons, *President, Shenandoah University, Winchester, Va.*

Members:

Louis J. Agnese Jr., *President, University of the Incarnate Word, San Antonio, Tex.*; **Diane M. Calhoun-French**, *Provost and Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs, Jefferson Community and Technical College, Louisville, Ky.*; **Beverly W. Hogan**, *President, Tougaloo College, Tougaloo, Miss.*



Part III

**Sessions
of the
SACSCOC
Board of
Trustees and
the College
Delegate
Assembly**



Sessions of the SACSCOC Board of Trustees, College Delegate Assembly, and Appeals Committee

Minutes of the Executive Session of SACSCOC Board of Trustees – June 23, 2011

The SACSCOC Board of Trustees met in Executive Session on Thursday, June 23, at 9:30 a.m. at the Ballantyne Hotel & Spa in Charlotte, N.C. Dr. John M. Hilpert, Chair of SACSCOC Board of Trustees and President of Delta State University in Mississippi, presided. Monsignor Franklyn M. Casale, Vice Chair of SACSCOC Board of Trustees and President of Saint Thomas University in Florida, served as recorder.

Vice Chair Casale called the roll. The following Board members were in attendance: William T. Abare, Jr., President, Flagler College, St. Augustine, Florida; Wayne D. Andrews, President, Morehead State University, Morehead, Kentucky; Pamela D. Anglin, President, Paris Junior College, Paris, Texas; MaryLou Apple, President, Motlow State Community College, Lynchburg, Tennessee; John W. Bardo, Chancellor, Western Carolina University, Cullowhee, North Carolina; Robert P. Benson, Jr., Attorney at Law, Benson, Byrne, Risch, Siemens & Lange, Louisville, Kentucky; Wilsie S. Bishop, Chief Operating Officer and Vice President for Health Affairs, East Tennessee State University, Johnson City, Tennessee; Robert G. Boehmer, Associate Provost for Academic Planning, University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia; Trina B. Boteler, Vice President of Academic Affairs, Chattahoochee Technical College, Marietta, Georgia; Stephen R. Briggs, President, Berry College, Mount Berry, Georgia; Diane M. Calhoun-French, Provost & Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs, Jefferson Community & Technical College, Louisville, Kentucky; Franklyn M. Casale, President, Saint Thomas University, Miami Gardens, Florida; Theresa Y. Chiang, Vice President for Academic Administration, The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio, San Antonio, Texas; William B. Drake, Jr., President, Midway College, Midway, Kentucky; Brenda S. Fettrow, Deputy City Manager, City of Cocoa, Cocoa, Florida; Benito Flores, Dean, Division of Engineering and Technologies, Universidad de Monterrey, San Pedro Garza Garcia, NL, Mexico; Carol Z. Garrison, President, University of Alabama-Birmingham, Birmingham, Alabama; Michael Gillette, President, Bioethical Services of Virginia, Lynchburg, Virginia; Robert C. Gordon, Orangeburg, South Carolina; Kevin E. Grady, Retired Partner, Alston & Bird LLP, Atlanta, Georgia; M. Dwaine Greene, Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost, Campbell University, Buies Creek, North Carolina; Thomas L. Hallman, Chancellor, University of South Carolina Aiken, Aiken, South Carolina; Walter Harris, Distinguished University Professor and Professor of Music, Loyola University New Orleans, New Orleans, Louisiana; Billy C. Hawkins, President, Talladega College, Talladega, Alabama; Vicki P. Hawsey, President, Wallace State Community College, Hanceville, Alabama; John M. Hilpert, President, Delta State University, Cleveland, Mississippi; Billy D. Hilyer, President, Faulkner University, Montgomery, Alabama; Carl M. Hite, President, Cleveland State Community College, Cleveland, Tennessee; Robin Hoffman, President, DeKalb Technical College, Decatur, Georgia; William G. Ingram, President, Durham Technical

Community College, Durham, North Carolina; Katherine M. Johnson, President, Pasco Hernando Community College, New Port Richey, Florida; Rose H. Johnson, President, Haywood Community College, Clyde, North Carolina; Myles T. Jones, Realtor, Coldwell Banker Huff & Pennink Advantage, Eastover, North Carolina; Augusta A. Julian, President, Bluegrass Community and Technical College, Lexington, Kentucky; Mark E. Keenum, President, Mississippi State University, Mississippi State, Mississippi; Jack R. Lohmann, Vice Provost for Faculty and Academic Development, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Georgia; William T. Luckey, Jr., President, Lindsey Wilson College, Columbia, Kentucky; David P. Manuel, Chancellor, Louisiana State University at Alexandria, Alexandria, Louisiana; Paul W. Martin, Jr., Chief Managing Member, Clarity Resources LLC, Knoxville, Tennessee; Terry M. McConathy, Executive Vice President, Louisiana Tech University, Ruston, Louisiana; Betty A. McCrohan, President, Wharton County Junior College, Wharton, Texas; F. Craig McDaniel, President, Georgia Northwestern Technical College, Rome, Georgia; Charles Edward Meadows, President, Pensacola State College, Pensacola, Florida; Gordon E. Michalson, Jr., President, New College of Florida, Sarasota, Florida; Emma B. Perry, Dean of Libraries, Southern University and A & M College, Baton Rouge, Louisiana; Clorisa Phillips, President, Virginia Intermont College, Bristol, Virginia; Martin H. Posey, Professor and Chair, Department of Biology and Marine Biology, University of North Carolina Wilmington, Wilmington, North Carolina; Trudie Kibbe Reed, President, Bethune-Cookman University, Daytona Beach, Florida; Rosalind Reichard, President, Emory and Henry College, Emory, Virginia; John H. Russell, President, McMurry University, Abilene, Texas; Martha D. Saunders, President, The University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg, Mississippi; E. Joseph Savoie, President, The University of Louisiana at Lafayette, Lafayette, Louisiana; Phil A. Sutphin, President, East Central Community College, Decatur, Mississippi; Linda K. Thomas-Glover, President, Eastern Shore Community College, Melfa, Virginia; L. Steve Thornburg, President, Cleveland Community College, Shelby, North Carolina; John G. Thornell, Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost, University of North Alabama, Florence, Alabama; Andrew Westmoreland, President, Samford University, Birmingham, Alabama; Evans P. Whitaker, President, Anderson University, Anderson, South Carolina; Stan A. Wilkins, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, Bossier Parish Community College, Bossier City, Louisiana; and Susan A. Winsor, President, Aiken Technical College, Aiken, South Carolina.

The following Board members were not in attendance: Roger G. Brown, Chancellor, University of Tennessee at Chattanooga, Chattanooga, Tennessee; Larry L. Earvin, President & CEO, Huston-Tillotson University, Austin, Texas; Scott D. Elliott, President, Meridian Community College,

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Meridian, Mississippi; Kenneth R. Garren, President, Lynchburg College, Lynchburg, Virginia; Andy S. Gomez, Assistant Provost for Planning, Institutional Research & Assessment, University of Miami, Coral Gables, Florida; Paul Hankins, President, Alabama Association of Independent Colleges & Universities, Montgomery, Alabama; Kennard Hill, Senior Advisor, Dell Perot Systems Health Care, Wichita Falls, Texas; Charles D. Lein, Retired President, Stuller, Inc./Management Consultant, Lafayette, Louisiana; D. E. Magee, Jr., The Magee Clinic, Jackson, Mississippi; Sidney A. McPhee, President, Middle Tennessee State University, Murfreesboro, Tennessee; Darrell F. Parker, Dean, Johnson

College of Business and Economics, University of South Carolina Upstate, Spartanburg, South Carolina; Joseph C. Rallo, President, Angelo State University, San Angelo, Texas; William A. Staples, President, University of Houston-Clear Lake, Houston, Texas; and Daniel A. Wubah, Vice President and Dean for Undergraduate Education, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Blacksburg, Virginia.

The Board approved the minutes of its December 2010 Executive Business Meeting. Copies of the minutes of the December 2010 and March 2011 Executive Council meetings were presented to the Board as information.

Report from the Chair

Chair Hilpert reported that during its meetings on June 21-22, 2011, the Executive Council discussed or took action on the following items:

1. Approved the 2011-2012 budget of the Commission on Colleges.
2. Reviewed and approved a Capital Expenditure Report.
3. Reviewed and approved a Renovation Budget.
4. Forwarded to the Board a recommendation that the Bylaws be changed to include the Audit and Finance Committee as a permanent committee of the Council (referred to December; change to Bylaws must be presented to the Board 10 days prior to vote).
5. Received and approved the report of the Investment Committee of the Council.
6. Approved the 2011-2012 Goals of the SACSCOC Board of Trustees.
7. Discussed possible agenda items for December's State Delegate meetings and decided to focus on examining the ongoing value of the state meetings. The Council also planned to send a survey after the meeting to gauge interest in continuing the meetings. Time will also be set aside for questions about the proposed changes to the

Principles of Accreditation.

8. Voted to table until December consideration of the proposed policy called "The Quality and Integrity of Undergraduate Degrees." Tom Hallman will chair a committee of the Council to review and consider changes to the document.
9. Reviewed staff reports on the April Small College Initiative, substantive change activities, training and research, the business continuity committee, and the Peer Advisory Board.
10. Received a report from the President on the activities of the Council of Regional Accrediting Commissions.
11. Reviewed and forwarded to the Board proposed changes to six current policies, two new policies, one best practice statement, and proposed changes to the *Principles of Accreditation*.
12. Evaluated and extended the contract of President Belle Wheelan.

The Chair called on SACSCOC legal counsel to update the Board on current litigation. Mr. McKee reported on the status of Lambuth University, St. Andrews Presbyterian College, and Paul Quinn College.

Report from the President

Dr. Belle S. Wheelan, President of SACS Commission on Colleges, thanked Board members and staff for their support and assistance this past year. She expressed appreciation to the Council and C & R readers for their diligence and time in preparing for and making decisions regarding policies and the accreditation of institutions. Wheelan discussed the complaint filed against the Commission by the U.S. Department of Education and reviewed the four items of cited non-compliance: curricula, faculty, substantive change, and the

Commission's complaint policy. She updated the Board on the regional commissions and their activities, presented the Commission's budget and entertained questions about some of the line items; and provided Board members with an update regarding higher education legislative actions in Washington, D.C. In addition, she expressed her appreciation for the dedication, contributions, and many years of service from Commission staff member G. Jack Allen, Vice President, who is retiring in September after over 30 years of service.

Actions on Commission Policies, Procedures, and Best Practices

The Board of Trustees took the following actions in regard to Commission policies, procedures, and best practices:

1. **Approved proposed changes to the *Principles of Accreditation*.** In general, the proposal addresses the federal mandates by including the following: (1) a specific acknowledgement for the recognition of religious missions, (2) an expectation that institutions have published criteria for accepting credit for transfer (CS 3.4.4), (3) the requirement that an institution evaluates success with respect to stu-

dent achievement consistent with its mission which may include a variety of criteria that are listed (FR 4.1), (4) a requirement for student authentication ensuring that the student who registers in distance education is the student who participates and receives credits (FR 4.8), (5) a written procedure protecting the privacy of students enrolled in distance education and also a procedure for notifying students of extra charges associated with the verification of student identity (FR 4.8), and (6) a requirement that institutions have policies and procedures for determining the credit

- hours awarded for courses and programs and that they conform to commonly accepted practice in higher education and Commission policy (FR 4.9). In addition to language required for meeting federal requirements, the proposal also includes the following substantive modifications: (1) provides more definition in CR 2.8 pertaining to full-time faculty, (2) simplifies the use of terminology regarding related foundations and corporate entities by collapsing the terms into that of “entity” and addressing those requirements under 3.2.13, (3) modifies CS 3.5.1 regarding general education competencies so that institutions are looking at students rather than graduates in the attainment of competencies, (4) modifies CS 3.5.2 and 3.6.3 addressing the number of credit hours required to be earned through instruction offered by the institution awarding the degree, (5) changes CS 3.5.4 so that institutions are required to continue to demonstrate that at least 25 % of course hours in each major at the baccalaureate level are taught by faculty members holding an appropriate terminal degree—thereby deleting all reference to the term “discipline,” and (6) deletes the new 3.12.2 requiring an institution to have an internal policy for substantive change and moved it to the policy.
2. **Enrollment Growth of an Institution.** Approved the new policy that responds to federal regulations requiring accrediting commissions to (1) collect headcount information, (2) inform the US Department of Education when an institution offering distance learning education experiences an increase in headcount enrollment of 50 percent or more, and (3) investigate growth of programs when an institution experiences significant growth of more than 40 percent in a year.
 3. **Credit Hours.** Approved the new policy that responds to federal regulations. The policy (1) includes the federal definition of a credit hour, (2) provides guidelines for flexibility in interpretation—guidelines directly from the federal statement, (3) outlines the Commission’s obligations in the review of the credit hour, and (4) outlines procedures that will be used in the review during an institution’s reaffirmation and any substantive changes.
 4. **Substantive Change for Accredited Institutions of the Commission on Colleges.** Approved revisions to the policy developed to meet new federal regulations and to clarify Commission requirements. The revised policy (1) expands the definition of substantive change that requires prior notification and approval, (2) requires an institution to have a policy and procedure for the timely reporting of substantive change, (3) outlines new expectations for reporting, reviewing, and approving teach-out plans and outlines conditions for submitting teach-out agreements, (4) adds a new Procedure 3—Closing a Program, In-

structional Site, Branch Campus or Institution, (5) makes former Procedure 3 a separate policy called “Mergers, Consolidations, Change of Ownership, Acquisitions, and Change of Legal Status,” (6) clarifies reporting of certificate programs, (7) requires institutions to use the federal formula for calculating changes from clock hours to credit hours, (8) requires institutions to report locations where it is teaching out students from another institution, (9) requires the Commission to approve institutional contracts with other entities not accredited by a USDOE-recognized body, and (10) limits approvals for new sites to that of five years before another review. In addition, the policy includes a glossary of terms.

5. **Diversity: A Position Statement.** Approved revisions to the position statement that (1) references faith-based and church-related institutions in the various types of institutions accredited by the Commission and (2) places a new emphasis on sensitivity to student disabilities and their ability to access educational support services.
6. **Complaint Procedures for the Commission or its Accredited Institutions.** Approved revision to the current policy defines more clearly the process used by the Chair when a complaint is filed against the Commission.
7. **Disclosure of Accrediting Documents and Actions of the Commission on Colleges.** Approved revisions to the current policy developed to meet federal regulations. The changes require the Commission (1) to seek and post official comments from institutions removed from accreditation or candidacy and (2) to refrain from notifying institutions when the DOE has contacted the Commission about institutions under DOE investigation.
8. **Accreditation Procedures for Applicant Institutions.** Approved a revision to the current policy that meets federal regulations. The change makes it clear that an institution cannot be granted initial accreditation if significant corrective actions are necessary to bring the institution into compliance after the awarding of accreditation.
9. **Standing Rules: The Commission’s Board of Trustees, Executive Council, and the College Delegate Assembly.** Approved a revision to the current policy that makes it clear that the Commission uses the unsolicited information procedure for handling financial correspondence from the US Department of Education regarding an institution’s compliance with Title IV.
10. **Sanctions, Denial of Reaffirmation, and Removal from Membership.** Approved an addition to the current policy that requires an institution to submit a teach-out plan when the Commission takes an adverse action against the institution. Young Harris College, Young Harris, Ga.

Actions on Accreditation

The SACSCOC Board of Trustees approved the following actions of the Committees on Compliance and Reports and the Executive Council. The following list *does not include* the names of institutions required only to submit additional monitoring reports unless the review resulted in a negative or an adverse action.

The Commission reaffirmed the accreditation of the following institutions:

Aiken Technical College, Aiken, S.C.

Aquinas College, Nashville, Tenn.
 Athens State University, Athens, Alabama
(includes approval of exception to CR 2.7.4)
 Bainbridge College, Bainbridge, Ga.
 Benedict College, Columbia, S.C.
 Brevard College, Brevard, N.C.
 Chattanooga State Community College,
 Chattanooga, Tenn.

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Coahoma Community College, Clarksdale, Miss.
 Del Mar College, Corpus Christi, Tex.
 East Georgia State College, Swainsboro, Ga.
 Eckerd College, St. Petersburg, Fla.
 Fayetteville Technical Community College,
 Fayetteville, N.C.
 Ferrum College, Ferrum, Va.
 Free Will Baptist Bible College, Nashville, Tenn.
 Gulf Coast State College, Panama City, Fla.
 Halifax Community College, Weldon, N.C.
 Hill College, Hillsboro, Tex.
 Lake-Sumter Community College, Leesburg, Fla.
 Livingstone College, Salisbury, N.C.
 Mars Hill College, Mars Hill, N.C.
 Midland College, Midland, Tex.
 Nash Community College, Rocky Mount, N.C.
 Northwest Florida State College, Niceville, Fla.
 Paine College, Augusta, Ga.
 Polk State College, Winter Haven, Fla.
 Saint Augustine's College, Raleigh, N.C.
 Spelman College, Atlanta, Ga.
 Trident Technical College, Charleston, S.C.
 Tyler Junior College, Tyler, Tex.
 Victory University, Memphis, Tenn.
 Young Harris College, Young Harris, Ga.

The Commission reaffirmed the accreditation of the following institutions and removed them from sanction:

Concordia College, Selma, Ala.
(removal from Probation)
 Randolph Community College, Asheboro, N.C.
(removal from Warning)

The Commission granted separate accreditation to the following institution:

University of South Florida Manatee-Sarasota,
 Sarasota, Fla. (Level III)
(separate accreditation from the University of South Florida)

The Commission accredited the following member institutions at a more advanced degree level:

Anderson University, Anderson, S.C.
Moved from Level III to Level V to offer the Doctor of Ministry
 Jacksonville University, Jacksonville, Fla.
Moved from Level III to Level V to offer the Doctor of Nursing Practice
 Johnson Bible College, Knoxville, Tenn.
Moved from Level III to Level V to offer the Ph.D. in Leadership Studies
 McMurry University, Abilene, Tex.
Moved from Level II to Level III to offer the Master of Science in Nursing
 North Greenville University, Tigerville, S.C.
Moved from Level III to Level V to offer the Doctor of Ministry

The Commission approved the following substantive change:

Frontier School of Midwifery and Family Nursing,
 Hyden, Ky.
Approved change of governance

The Commission continued the accreditation of the following institutions after conducting a visit to review their substantive changes:

Armstrong Atlantic State University, Savannah, Ga.
Review of membership at Level V offering the Doctor of Physical Therapy
 Atlanta Christian College, East Point, Ga.
Review of an off-campus site at Peachtree City, Ga.
 Chowan University, Murfreesboro, N.C.
Review of membership at Level III offering the Master of Education in Elementary Education
 Columbus State University, Columbus, Ga.
Review of membership at Level V offering the Doctor of Education in Curriculum and Leadership
 Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University,
 Daytona Beach, Fla.
Review of membership at Level V offering the Ph.D. in Aviation and in Engineering Physics
 Galveston College, Galveston, Tex.
Review of Galveston College Vocational-Technical Center, Galveston, Tex.
 Houston Baptist University, Houston, Tex.
Review of the following off-campus sites located in Houston, Tex.: Cinco Ranch High School, Katy Independent School District and River Oaks Baptist School
 Keiser University, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.
Review of a branch campus in Fort Meyers, Fla., and review of an off-campus site located in Shanghai, China
 L.E. Fletcher Technical Community College, Houma, La.
Review of the Associate of Science in Cardiopulmonary Care Science and in Criminal Justice at a new off-campus site in Houma, La.
 Lynchburg College, Lynchburg, Va.
Review of membership at Level V offering the Doctor of Physical Therapy
 Mid-Continent University, Mayfield, Ky.
Review of membership at Level III offering the Master of Science in Human Resource Management
 North Georgia College and State University,
 Dahlonega, Ga.
Review of membership at Level V offering the Doctor of Physical Therapy
 North Lake College, Irving, Tex.
Review of two new off-campus sites: North Campus, Coppell, Tex. and South Campus, Irving, Tex.
 Northwest Florida State College, Niceville, Fla.
Review of membership at Level II offering the Bachelor of Science in Nursing and the Bachelor of Science in Teacher Education
 Presbyterian College, Clinton, S.C.
Review of membership at Level V offering the Doctor of Pharmacy
 Polk State College, Winter Haven, Fla.
Review of (1) membership at Level II offering the Bachelor of Applied Science in Supervision and Management and (2) the following off-campus sites: Airside Center in Lakeland and the JD Alexander Center in Lake Wales, Fla.
 Seminole State College of Florida, Sanford, Fla.
Review of membership at Level II offering the Bachelor of Applied Science in Interior Design

Southern University at Shreveport, Shreveport, La.
Review of the Aerospace Technical Center, Shreveport, Louisiana

Sullivan University, Louisville, Ky.
Review of program expansion offering the Ph.D. in Management

Technical College of the Lowcountry, Beaufort, S.C.
Review of an off-campus site located at Whale Branch Early College High School, Seabrook, S.C.

Texas A & M University-Texarkana, Texarkana, Tex.
Review of (1) membership at Level V offering a cooperative Ed.D. in Administration, (2) program expansion offering the core curriculum and lower division field of study coursework, and (3) a new main campus site location at 7101 University Avenue, Tex.

Troy University, Troy, Ala.
Review of membership at Level V offering the Doctor of Nursing

University of the Cumberlands, Williamsburg, Ky.
Review of program expansion to include the Master of Physician Assistant Studies

William Carey University, Hattiesburg, Miss.
Review of the Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine

The Commission approved the following consolidation/mergers:

Delgado Community College, New Orleans, La.
The consolidation/merger of Delgado Community College and Louisiana Technical College to be called Delgado Community College

Webber International University, Babson Park, Fla.
The consolidation/merger of Webber International University and St. Andrews Presbyterian College to be called Webber International University

The Commission removed the following institutions from Warning:

Erskine College, Due West, S.C.

Germanna Community College, Locust Grove, Va.

Jefferson State Community College, Birmingham, Ala.

The Commission denied membership at a more advanced degree level to the following institutions:

Coker College, Hartsville, S.C.

Denied approval of membership at Level III to offer the Master in Sports Management because the institution did not comply with Comprehensive Standard 3.12.1 (Substantive Change) of the Principles of Accreditation. The institution failed to submit a complete application for offering online distance learning that was to be the mode of delivery for the Master's program.

High Point University, High Point, N.C.

Denied approval of membership at Level V to offer the Doctor of Education because the institution did not provide an acceptable plan and supporting documentation to ensure that it has the capability to comply with the following standards as they relate to the substantive change: Comprehensive Standard 3.6.4 (Post-Baccalaureate Program Requirements), Comprehensive Standard 3.7.1 (Faculty Competence), and Comprehensive Standard 3.8.1 (Learning/Information Resources) of the Principles of Accreditation.

The Commission placed the following institutions on Warning:

Barton College, Wilson, N.C.

For six months for failure to comply with Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial Stability) of the Principles of Accreditation.

Birmingham-Southern College, Birmingham, Ala.

For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial Resources), Comprehensive Standard 3.2.8 (Qualified Administrative/Academic Officers), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional Effectiveness: Educational Programs), and Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial Stability) of the Principles of Accreditation.

Miami Dade College, Miami, Fla.

For six months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.8 (Faculty) of the Principles of Accreditation.

Texas A&M University – Commerce, Commerce, Tex.

For six months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.8 (Faculty) of the Principles of Accreditation.

The Commission continued the following institutions on Warning:

Fisk University, Nashville, Tenn.

For six months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial Resources), Comprehensive Standard 3.2.8 (Qualified Administrative/Academic Officers), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial Stability), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.4 (Control of Resources), and Federal Requirement 4.7 (Title IV Program Responsibilities) of the Principles of Accreditation.

Pamlico Community College, Grantsboro, N.C.

For six months for failure to comply with Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional Effectiveness: Educational Programs) of the Principles of Accreditation.

The Commission denied reaffirmation, continued accreditation, and placed the following institutions on Warning:

Brewton-Parker College, Mount Vernon, Ga.

For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.5 (Institutional Effectiveness), Core Requirement 2.9 (Learning Resources and Services), Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial Resources), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional Effectiveness: Educational Programs), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.5 (Institutional Effectiveness: Community/Public Service), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.2 (Quality Enhancement Plan), Comprehensive Standard 3.5.1 (College-Level Competencies), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial Stability), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.4 (Control of Finances) and Federal Requirement 4.7 (Title IV Program Responsibilities) of the Principles of Accreditation.

McDowell Technical Community College, Marion, N.C.

For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.5 (Institutional Effectiveness), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional Effectiveness: educational program), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.2 (Institutional Effectiveness: educational support services), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.3 (Institutional Effectiveness: administrative support services), and Comprehensive Standard 3.5.1 (College-Level Competencies) of the Principles of Accreditation.

Mount Olive College, Mount Olive, N.C.

For six months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial Resources), Comprehensive Standard 3.5.1 (College-Level Competencies), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial Stability), and Comprehensive Standard 3.10.4 (Control of Finances) of the Principles of Accreditation.

Southern University at Shreveport, Shreveport, La.

For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial Resources), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial Stability), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional Effectiveness: educational programs), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.2 (Quality Enhancement Plan), Comprehensive Standard 3.7.1 (Faculty Competence), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial Stability), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.4 (Control of Finances),

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Comprehensive Standard 3.10.5 (Control of Sponsored research/ external funds), and Federal Regulation 4.7 (Title IV Program Responsibilities) of the Principles of Accreditation.

Virginia Intermont College, Bristol, Va.

For six months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial Resources) and Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial Stability) of the Principles of Accreditation.

The Commission denied reaffirmation, continued accreditation, and continued the following institutions on Warning:

Bauder College, Atlanta, Ga.

For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.2 (Governing Board), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional Effectiveness: Educational Programs), Comprehensive Standard 3.5.1 (Educational Programs: College-Level Competencies), and Comprehensive Standard 3.2.2.2 (Governing Board Control) of the Principles of Accreditation.

Florida Christian College, Kissimmee, Fla.

For six months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial Resources) and Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial Stability) of the Principles of Accreditation.

The Commission denied reaffirmation, continued accreditation, and continued the following institution on Probation:

St. Paul's College, Lawrenceville, Va.

For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial Resources), Comprehensive Standard 3.2.8 (Qualified Administrative/Academic Officers), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.2 (Institutional Effectiveness: Administrative Support Services), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.3 (Institutional Effectiveness: Educational Support Services), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial Stability), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.4 (Control of Finances), and Federal Requirement 4.7 (Title IV Program Responsibilities) of the Principles of Accreditation.

The Commission continued accreditation for good cause and placed the following institutions on Probation:

Bennett College for Women, Greensboro, N.C.

For six months for failure to comply with Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial Stability) of the Principles of Accreditation.

Shelton State Community College, Tuscaloosa, Ala.

For twelve months for failure to comply with Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional Effectiveness: Educational Programs) and Comprehensive Standard 3.5.1 (College-Level Competencies) of the Principles of Accreditation.

Tougaloo College, Tougaloo, Miss.

For twelve months for failure to comply with Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial Stability) of the Principles of Accreditation.

The University of West Alabama, Livingston, Ala.

For six months for failure to comply with Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional Effectiveness: Educational Programs) of the Principles of Accreditation.

In accordance with the "Standing Rules of the Commission on Colleges," members of the Board abstained from the vote on the accreditation status of their respective institutions, affiliated institutions, and recognized conflicts of interest.

Chair Hilpert asked Diane Calhoun-French, Chair of the Committee on Fifth-Year Interim Reports, to report on the reviews of 39 Track B institutions that make up the 2015 reaffirmation class. She reported that six of the 39 institutions had no referral; 25 had 3 or fewer standards for referral, seven had 4-6 standards for referral, and one had 9 standards for referral. She also stated that the Committee found all QEP Impact Reports to be acceptable.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

Minutes of the Executive Session of SACSCOC Board of Trustees – December 5, 2011

The SACSCOC Board of Trustees met in Executive Session on Monday, December 5, 2011, at 3:30 p.m. at the Hilton Orlando Hotel, Orlando, Fla. Dr. John M. Hilpert, Chair of SACSCOC Board of Trustees and President of Delta State University in Mississippi, presided. Monsignor Franklyn M. Casale, Vice Chair of SACSCOC Board of Trustees and President of Saint Thomas University in Florida, served as recorder.

Vice Chair Casale called the roll. The following Board members were in attendance: William T. Abare, Jr., President, Flagler College, St. Augustine, Florida; MaryLou Apple, President, Motlow State Community College, Lynchburg, Tennessee; John W. Bardo, Chancellor, Western Carolina University, Cullowhee, North Carolina; Wilsie S. Bishop, Chief Operating Officer and Vice President for Health Affairs, East Tennessee State University, Johnson City, Tennessee; Robert G. Boehmer, Associate Provost for Academic Planning, University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia; Trina B. Boteler, Vice President of Academic Affairs, Chattahoochee Technical College, Marietta, Georgia; Stephen R. Briggs, President, Berry College, Mount Berry, Georgia; Diane M. Calhoun-French, Provost & Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs, Jefferson Community & Technical College, Louisville, Kentucky; Franklyn M. Casale, President, Saint Thomas University, Miami Gardens, Florida; Theresa Y. Chiang, Vice President for Academic Administration, The University of Texas

Health Science Center at San Antonio, San Antonio, Texas; William B. Drake, Jr., President, Midway College, Midway, Kentucky; Larry L. Earvin, President & CEO, Huston-Tillotson University, Austin, Texas; Scott D. Elliott, President, Meridian Community College, Meridian, Mississippi; Benito Flores, Dean, Division of Engineering and Technologies, Universidad de Monterrey, San Pedro Garza Garcia, NL, Mexico; Kenneth R. Garren, President, Lynchburg College, Lynchburg, Virginia; Carol Z. Garrison, President, University of Alabama-Birmingham, Birmingham, Alabama; Michael A. Gillette, President, Bioethical Services of Virginia, Lynchburg, Virginia; Andy S. Gomez, Assistant Provost for Planning, Institutional Research & Assessment, University of Miami, Coral Gables, Florida; Robert C. Gordon, Orangeburg, South Carolina; Kevin E. Grady, Retired Partner, Alston & Bird LLP, Atlanta, Georgia; M. Dwaine Greene, Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost, Campbell University, Buies Creek, North Carolina; Thomas L. Hallman, Chancellor, University of South Carolina Aiken, Aiken, South Carolina; Walter Harris, Distinguished University Professor and Professor of Music, Loyola University New Orleans, New Orleans, Louisiana; Billy C. Hawkins, President, Talladega College, Talladega, Alabama; Vicki P. Hawsey, President, Wallace State Community College, Hanceville, Alabama; John M. Hilpert, President, Delta State University,

Cleveland, Mississippi; Billy D. Hilyer, President, Faulkner University, Montgomery, Alabama; Carl M. Hite, President, Cleveland State Community College, Cleveland, Tennessee; William G. Ingram, President, Durham Technical Community College, Durham, North Carolina; Katherine M. Johnson, President, Pasco Hernando Community College, New Port Richey, Florida; Rose H. Johnson, President, Haywood Community College, Clyde, North Carolina; Myles T. Jones, Realtor, Coldwell Banker Huff & Pennink Advantage, Eastover, North Carolina; Charles D. Lein, Retired President, Stuller, Inc./Management Consultant, Lafayette, Louisiana; William T. Luckey, Jr., President, Lindsey Wilson College, Columbia, Kentucky; D. E. Magee, Jr., The Magee Clinic, Jackson, Mississippi; Paul W. Martin, Jr., Chief Managing Member, Clarity Resources LLC, Knoxville, Tennessee; Terry M. McConathy, Executive Vice President, Louisiana Tech University, Ruston, Louisiana; Betty A. McCrohan, President, Wharton County Junior College, Wharton, Texas; F. Craig McDaniel, President, Georgia Northwestern Technical College, Rome, Georgia; Charles Edward Meadows, President, Pensacola State College, Pensacola, Florida; Gordon E. Michalson, Jr., President, New College of Florida, Sarasota, Florida; Darrell F. Parker, Dean, Johnson College of Business and Economics, University of South Carolina Upstate, Spartanburg, South Carolina; Emma B. Perry, Dean of Libraries, Southern University and A & M College, Baton Rouge, Louisiana; Martin H. Posey, Professor and Chair, Department of Biology and Marine Biology, University of North Carolina Wilmington, Wilmington, North Carolina; Joseph C. Rallo, President, Angelo State University, San Angelo, Texas; Trudie Kibbe Reed, President, Bethune-Cookman University, Daytona Beach, Florida; John H. Russell, President, McMurry University, Abilene, Texas; E. Joseph Savoie, President, The University of Louisiana at Lafayette, Lafayette, Louisiana; William A. Staples, President, University of Houston-Clear Lake, Houston, Texas; Phil A. Sutphin, President, East Central Community College, Decatur, Mississippi; Linda K. Thomas-Glover, President, Eastern Shore Community College, Melfa, Virginia; L.

Steve Thornburg, President, Cleveland Community College, Shelby, North Carolina; John G. Thornell, Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost, University of North Alabama, Florence, Alabama; Andrew Westmoreland, President, Samford University, Birmingham, Alabama; Evans P. Whitaker, President, Anderson University, Anderson, South Carolina; Stan A. Wilkins, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, Bossier Parish Community College, Bossier City, Louisiana; Susan A. Winsor, President, Aiken Technical College, Aiken, South Carolina; and Daniel A. Wubah, Vice President and Dean for Undergraduate Education, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Blacksburg, Virginia.

The following Board members were not in attendance: Wayne D. Andrews, President, Morehead State University, Morehead, Kentucky; Pamela D. Anglin, President, Paris Junior College, Paris, Texas; Robert P. Benson, Jr., Attorney at Law, Benson, Byrne, Risch, Siemens & Lange, Louisville, Kentucky; Roger G. Brown, Chancellor, University of Tennessee at Chattanooga, Chattanooga, Tennessee; Brenda S. Fettrow, Deputy City Manager, City of Cocoa, Cocoa, Florida; Paul Hankins, President, Alabama Association of Independent Colleges & Universities, Montgomery, Alabama; Kenard Hill, Senior Advisor, Dell Perot Systems Health Care, Wichita Falls, Texas; Augusta A. Julian, President, Bluegrass Community and Technical College, Lexington, Kentucky; Mark E. Keenum, President, Mississippi State University, Mississippi State, Mississippi; Jack R. Lohmann, Vice Provost for Faculty and Academic Development, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, Georgia; David P. Manuel, Chancellor, Louisiana State University at Alexandria, Alexandria, Louisiana; Sidney A. McPhee, President, Middle Tennessee State University, Murfreesboro, Tennessee; Rosalind Reichard, President, Emory and Henry College, Emory, Virginia; and Martha D. Saunders, President, The University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg, Mississippi.

The Board approved the minutes of its June 2011 Executive Business Meeting. A summary of the minutes of the June 2011 Executive Council meeting was presented as information.

Report from the Chair

Chair Hilpert called on Commission legal counsel, Mr. Patrick McKee, for a report to the Board. Mr. McKee updated the Board on litigation with Paul Quinn College and with the Commission's trademark application.

Chair Hilpert reported to the Board that during sessions on December 2-4, 2011, the Executive Council took the following actions:

- Reviewed and commented on the following staff reports: Substantive change activities, applicant and candidate activities, the small college initiative scheduled for spring 2012 that will focus on the use of data for supporting compliance with the *Principles of Accreditation*, the Business Continuity Planning Committee, and the SACSCOC Peer Review Advisory Board.
- Received the 2010-2011 FY audit.
- Received and accepted a report from the Council's Investment Committee chaired by Board member John Bardo, and from the Council's Audit and Finance Committee chaired by Board member Larry Earvin.
- Endorsed four policies and operational guidelines for Commission staff and forwarded them to the Board for final action.
- Confirmed that the "Transfer of Accreditation" policy applies only to regionally accredited institutions that move from one region to another.
- Discussed the question: Can an institution use its previous Quality Enhancement Plan as a basis for its next QEP? This came as a question from institutions now preparing for their second review under the *Principles*. The Council indicated that the new QEP could be used under certain conditions: that it should be derived from the assessment of the previous QEP; that the topic should be distinctive enough to allow for new goals and intended outcomes; and that it should continue to focus on student learning and quality enhancement.
- Approved the proposal from staff to modify the description of the QEP Impact Report to better parallel expectations described in Core Requirement 2.12 of the *Principles* approved in 2009.
- Took action on the Reports of the Committees on Compliance and Reports and forwarded the reports to the Board for final action. No changes were made to the recommendations.

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- Deferred approval of changes to Article VI of the SACSCOC Bylaws pending additional revisions that would include the appointment of external members of the Council on the Committees.

Chair Hilpert also confirmed the 2012 meeting dates of the Board: March 19-21 for the spring meeting of the Executive Council, June 18-21 for the summer meeting of the Board, and December 8-12 for the Annual Meeting.

Recognition of Outgoing SACSCOC Board of Trustees Members

The Chair recognized Board members whose terms expired December 2011 and commended them for their many contributions. Retiring Trustees included the following: Bill Abare, John Bardo, Robert Benson, Roger Brown, Scott El-

liott, Diane Calhoun-French, Brenda Fettrow, Robert Gordon, Kevin Grady, Tom Hallman, Rose Johnson, Augusta Julian, Jack Lohmann, D.E. Magee, Sidney McPhee, Bill Staples, and Phil Sutphin.

Report from the President

Belle S. Wheelan, President of SACS Commission on Colleges, presented gifts of appreciation to each of the retiring members for their many years of service on the Board. She commented on the great group of retiring volunteers whose strength had made a mark on the work of the Commission. She also presented a special gift in appreciation of the leadership of Franklyn Casale, who completed six years as a Board member and one year as Vice Chair of the Board.

Wheelan continued with her presentation by expressing her appreciation to all Board members and C & R Chairs for their

dedication and service and for their support. She updated the Board on financial issues, the impact of the newly-adopted HEOA reauthorization regulations, the activities the Council of Regional Accrediting Commissions, the Summer Institute, and the 1866 Southern Lane building renovations. She indicated that the Council will be considering adding members to the *ad hoc* financial and investment committees of the Executive Council, especially those with special financial expertise. Finally, she said that during its March 2012 meeting, the Council will examine whether to continue state meetings during the annual meeting.

Report of the Nominating Committee regarding Nominees to the Board of Trustees and Election of the 2012 Executive Council

The Board of Trustees reviewed the slate of nominees presented by the Commission's Nominating Committee, chaired by Linwood Rose, President of James Madison University, and approved the following list of individuals to serve as members of the 2012 Executive Council of SACSCOC Board of Trustees: John Hilpert, President, Delta State University, Miss. (Chair); Larry L. Earvin, President, Huston-Tillotson University, Tex. (Vice Chair); Robert G. Boehmer, Associate Provost for Academic Planning, The University of Georgia, Athens, Ga.; Michael A. Gillette, President, Bioethical Services of Virginia, Lynchburg, Va. (*public representative*); Carl M. Hite, President, Cleveland State Community College, Cleveland, Tenn.; William G. Ingram, President, Durham Technical Community College, Durham, N.C.; William T. Luckey, Jr., President, Lindsey Wilson College, Ky.; Trudie Kibbe Reed,

President, Bethune-Cookman University, Daytona Beach, Fla.; Rosalind Reichard, President, Emory and Henry College, Emory, Va.; Martha D. Saunders, President, University of Southern Mississippi, Miss.; E. Joseph Savoie, President, The University of Louisiana at Lafayette, Lafayette, La.; Andrew Westmoreland, President, Samford University, Birmingham, Ala.; and Susan A. Winsor, President, Aiken Technical College, Aiken, S.C.

The reports from the Nominating Committee for the Commission on Colleges regarding nominees to the SACSCOC Board of Trustees, the Appeals Committee of the College Delegate Assembly, and the SACS' Board of Trustees were presented as information. Chair Hilpert thanked the members of the 2011 Executive Council for coordinating the nominating processes in their respective states.

Report of the Nominating Committee for Chairs of the 2012 Committees on Compliance and Reports

The Board of Trustees reviewed the slate of nominees presented by the Commission's Nominating Committee for Chairs of the Committees on Compliance and Reports. The Committee, chaired by Board member Bill Staples and comprised of other Board members completing their final terms at this meeting—Bill Ingram, Diane Calhoun-French, Bill Abare, Roger Brown, and Jack Lohmann, presented its slate

of nominees and the Board approved the following Board members to serve as chairs of C & R for 2012:

- For re-election: John Russell, Walter Harris, and Wilsie Bishop
- For election: Joseph Rallo, Steve Thornburg, and Mary-Lou Apple

Actions on Commission Policies, Procedures, and Best Practices

The SACSCOC Board of Trustees took the following actions regarding Commission policies, procedures, and best practices:

1. **Whistleblower Policy.** The Board approved a new policy that provides a process for employees to file a formal complaint when he or she believes that some policy, practice, or activity of SACSCOC is in violation of law. The policy was developed per direction of the Executive Council's

Audit and Finance Committee.

2. **Complaint Procedures against the Commission or Its Accredited Institution.** The Board approved changes to the policy that would allow Commission staff to expand from 30 calendar days to 60 working days the time to review a complaint and determine whether it is within the scope of Commission policies and jurisdiction, if there is

adequate documentation, and whether the issues are accreditation related.

- 3. Substantive Change for Accredited Institutions of the Commission.** The Board approved a revised fee schedule that includes a \$300 fee for the review of a collaborative academic arrangement between a COC-accredited institution with at least one Partner institution that is not accredited by a USDOE-recognized member.
- 4. The Quality and Integrity of Undergraduate Degrees.** The

Actions on Accreditation

The Board of Trustees of SACS Commission on Colleges took the following actions regarding the accreditation status of institutions reviewed. The following list does not include the names of institutions required only to submit additional monitoring reports unless the review resulted in a negative or an adverse action.

The Commission reaffirmed the accreditation of the following institutions:

Abilene Christian University, Abilene, Tex.
Alcorn State University, Alcorn State, Miss.
Baptist Missionary Association Theological Seminary, Jacksonville, Texas
(Includes an exception to CR 2.7.4)
Belmont University, Nashville, Tenn.
Brenau University, Gainesville, Ga.
Brite Divinity School, Fort Worth, Tex.
Claflin University, Orangeburg, S.C.
Campbell University, Buies Creek, N.C.
Christian Brothers University, Memphis, Tenn.
Columbia College, Columbia, S.C.
Elizabeth City State University, Elizabeth City, N.C.
Fayetteville State University, Fayetteville, N.C.
Florida Hospital College of Health Sciences, Orlando, Fla.
Freed-Hardeman University, Henderson, Tenn.
George Mason University, Fairfax, Va.
Georgia Health Sciences University, Augusta, Ga.
(Includes an exception to CR 2.7.4)
Jackson State University, Jackson, Miss.
Life University, Marietta, Ga.
Lynn University, Boca Raton, Fla.
Morehead State University, Morehead, Ky.
Morehouse School of Medicine, Atlanta, Ga.
Queens University of Charlotte, Charlotte, N.C.
Randolph College, Lynchburg, Va.
St. Leo University, Saint Leo, Fla.
Southeastern University, Lakeland, Fla.
Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Tex.
Southern University at New Orleans, New Orleans, La.
Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Tex.
Stephen F. Austin State University, Nacogdoches, Tex.
Stetson University, DeLand, Fla.
Sweet Briar College, Sweet Briar, Va.
Texas Southern University, Houston, Tex.
Tulane University, New Orleans, La.
The University of Georgia, Athens, Ga.

Board approved the new policy that (1) defines the characteristics of an undergraduate degree, (2) places the responsibility on institutions to define whether its undergraduate degrees are intended for transfer as a basis for another degree, (3) places responsibility on the institution to evaluate all courses on the transcript for an undergraduate degree to ensure that courses meet the requirements of the degree and meet COC applicable standards, and (4) addresses educational pathways and blocks of credit.

University of Mississippi Medical Center, Jackson, Miss.
(Includes approval of an exception to CR 2.7.4)
University of Montevallo, Montevallo, Ala.
University of South Carolina – Aiken, Aiken, S.C.
University of South Carolina-Columbia, Columbia, S.C.
University of South Florida St. Petersburg, St. Petersburg, Fla.
The University of Tennessee at Chattanooga, Chattanooga, Tenn.
Winthrop University, Rock Hill, S.C.

The Commission reaffirmed the accreditation of the following institutions and removed them from sanction:

Brescia University, Owensboro, Ky.
(removed from Warning)
Criswell College, Dallas, Tex.
(removed from Warning)
Notre Dame Seminary, New Orleans, La.
(removal from Probation)
Tennessee State University, Nashville, Tenn.
(removal from Warning)

The Commission granted initial accreditation to the following institutions:

(Initial accreditation effective January 1, 2011)
Appalachian College of Pharmacy, Oakwood, Va.
(Level V)
Lanier Technical College, Oakwood, Ga.
(Level I)
South Georgia Technical College, Americus, Ga.
(Level I)

The Commission granted initial candidacy to the following institution:

Galen College of Nursing, Louisville, Ky.
(Candidacy effective December 5, 2011)

The Commission authorized a Candidate Committee visit to the following institutions:

College of Biblical Studies, Houston, Tex.
Moultrie Technical College, Moultrie, Ga.
Sowela Technical and Community College, Lake Charles, La.
Virginia Tech Carilion School of Medicine, Roanoke, Va.

The Commission accredited the following member institutions at a more advanced degree level:

Academy of Oriental Medicine at Austin, Austin, Tex.
Moved from Level III to Level V to offer the Doctor of Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine

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Atlanta Metropolitan College, Atlanta, Ga.
Moved from Level I to Level II to offer the Bachelor of Science in Biology

Coker College, Hartsville, S.C.
Moved from Level II to Level III to offer the Master of Science in College Athletic Administration

Darton College, Albany, Ga.
Moved from Level I to Level II to offer the Bachelor of Science in Nursing

East Georgia College, Swainsboro, Ga.
Moved from Level I to Level II to offer the Bachelor of Science in Biology

Emory & Henry College, Emory, Va.
Moved from Level III to Level V to offer the Doctor of Physical Therapy

Florida Gateway College, Lake City, Fla.
Moved from Level I to Level II to offer the Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Florida National College, Hialeah, Fla.
Moved from Level II to Level III to offer the Master in Business Administration

Georgia College and State University, Milledgeville, Ga.
Moved from Level IV to Level V to offer the Doctor of Nursing Practice

Georgia Perimeter College, Decatur, Ga.
Moved from Level I to Level II to offer the Bachelor of Arts in Sign Language and the Bachelor of Science in Health Informatics

High Point University, High Point, N.C.
Moved from Level III to Level V to offer the Doctor of Education

Limestone College, Gaffney, S.C.
Moved from Level II to Level III to offer the Master of Business Administration

South Georgia College, Douglas, Ga.
Moved from Level I to Level II to offer the Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Southern Adventist University, Collegedale, Tenn.
Moved from Level III to Level V to offer the Doctor of Nursing Practice

The Commission approved the following substantive changes:

Coker College, Hartsville, S.C.
Approved to offer 50 percent or more credits for online programs

Emory & Henry College, Emory, Va.
Approved to offer programs at an off-campus instructional site: Smyth County Community Hospital located in Marion, Va.

Montreat College, Montreat, N.C.
Approved to offer the Master of Arts in Clinical Mental Health Counseling

Montreat College, Montreat, N.C.
Approved to offer courses at two off-campus sites: North Carolina Wesleyan College's Rocky Mount site and North Carolina Wesleyan College's Morrisville site.

Mount Olive College, Mount Olive, N.C.
Approved to offer the Bachelor of Science in Nursing

University of New Orleans, New Orleans, La.
Approved a change of governance from the Louisiana State University System to the University of Louisiana System

The Commission continued the accreditation of the following institutions after conducting a visit to review their substantive changes:

Air University, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.
Review of membership at Level V offering the Ph.D. in Military Strategy

The Art Institute of Houston, Houston, Tex.
Review of a new branch campus, the Art Institute of San Antonio, a branch campus of the Art Institute of Houston

The Baptist College of Florida, Graceville, Fla.
Review of membership at Level III, offering the Master of Arts in Christian Studies

East Texas Baptist University, Marshall, Tex.
Review of membership at Level III offering the Master of Arts in Religion and the Master of Education

Elizabethtown Community and Technical College, Elizabethtown, Ky.
Review of a branch campus at the Springfield Clearview Commerce Center, Springfield, Ky.

James Madison University, Harrisonburg, Va.
Review of an off-campus instructional site at the University of Malta

Keiser University, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.
Review of a change in governance from a private, for-profit to a private, not-for-profit status

Morehead State University, Morehead, Ky.
Review of membership at Level V offering the Doctor of Education

Pasco-Hernando Community College, New Port Richey, Fla.
Review of a branch campus in Spring Hill, Fla.

The Savannah College of Art and Design, Savannah, Ga.
Review of a branch campus, SCAD Hong Kong

South University, Savannah, Ga.
Review of branch campuses in Virginia Beach, Va., and in Novi, Michigan

Southern Wesleyan University, Central, S.C.
Review of the Master of Education in Administration and Supervision

Texas A & M University – Kingsville, Kingsville, Tex.
Review of an off-campus instructional site, Southwest Research Institute, San Antonio, Tex., evaluated during the fifth-year interim period

Winston-Salem State University, Winston-Salem, N.C.
Review of membership at Level V offering the Doctor of Physical Therapy

York Technical College, Rock Hill, S.C.
Review of five off-campus instructional sites in South Carolina evaluated during the fifth-year interim period: (1) Lancaster High School, Lancaster; (2) Northwestern High School, Rock Hill; (3) Rock Hill High School, Rock Hill; (4) South Pointe High School, Rock Hill; and (5) York Comprehensive High School, York.

The Commission removed the following institutions from Warning:

Barton College, Wilson, N.C.

Carson Newman College, Jefferson City, Tenn.

Miami Dade College, Miami, Fla.

Pamlico Community College, Grantsboro, N.C.

South Plains College, Levelland, Tex.

Texas A & M University – Commerce, Commerce, Tex.

The Commission removed the following institutions from Probation:

Bennett College for Women, Greensboro, N.C.
Sul Ross State University, Alpine, Tex.
University of West Alabama, Livingston, Ala.

The Commission denied membership at a more advanced degree level to the following institution:

South Florida Community College, Avon Park, Fla.
Denied approval of membership at Level II to offer the Bachelor of Applied Science in Supervision and Management because the institution did not provide an acceptable plan and supporting documentation to ensure that it has appropriately qualified faculty to teach assigned coursework in the new program.

The Commission denied approval of the following substantive changes:

Concordia College, Selma, Ala.
Denied approval to offer (1) the Bachelor of Social Work and (2) the Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice because the institution did not provide an acceptable plan and supporting documentation to ensure that it has the capability to comply with the following standards as they relate to the substantive change: Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional Effectiveness: educational programs), Comprehensive Standard 3.7.1 (Faculty Competence), Comprehensive Standard 3.8.1 (Learning/Information Resources), and Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial Stability) of the Principles of Accreditation.

Stillman College, Tuscaloosa, Ala.
Denied approval to offer the Bachelor of Science in Special Education because the institution did not provide an acceptable plan and supporting documentation to ensure that it has the capability to comply with the following standard as it relates to the substantive change: Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial Resources) of the Principles of Accreditation.

The Commission placed the following institutions on Warning:

Austin Community College, Austin, Tex.
For six months for failure to comply with Comprehensive Standard 3.12.1 (Substantive Change) of the Principles of Accreditation.

Edward Waters College, Jacksonville, Fla.
For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.8 (Faculty), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional Effectiveness: Educational Programs), and Comprehensive Standard 3.3.2 (Quality Enhancement Plan) of the Principles of Accreditation.

Fort Valley State University, Fort Valley, Ga.
For twelve months for failure to comply with Comprehensive Standard 3.7.1 (Faculty Competence), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.4 (Control of Finances), and Federal Requirement 4.7 (Title IV Program Responsibilities) of the Principles of Accreditation.

Jarvis Christian College, Hawkins, Tex.
For six months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial Resources), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional Effectiveness: Educational Programs), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial Stability), and Comprehensive Standard 3.10.3 (Financial Aid Audits) of the Principles of Accreditation.

Lon Morris College, Jacksonville, Tex.
For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.8 (Faculty), Core Requirement 2.10 (Student Support Services), Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial Resources), Comprehensive Standard 3.4.11 (Academic Program Coordination), and Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial Stability) of the Principles of Accreditation.

Southwestern Christian College, Terrell, Tex.
For six months for failure to comply with Comprehensive Standard 3.4.4 (Acceptance of Academic Credit) and Comprehensive

Standard 3.4.10 (Responsibility for Curriculum) of the Principles of Accreditation.

Texas State Technical College - Harlingen, Harlingen, Tex.
For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.8 (Faculty), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional Effectiveness: Educational Programs), and Federal Requirement 4.4 (Program Length) of the Principles of Accreditation.

University of North Carolina at Pembroke, Pembroke, N.C.
For six months for failure to comply with Comprehensive Standard 3.12.1 (Substantive Change) of the Principles of Accreditation.

The Commission continued the following institution on Warning:

Dabney S. Lancaster Community College, Clifton Forge, Va.
For twelve months for failure to comply with Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional Effectiveness: Educational Programs) of the Principles of Accreditation.

The Commission denied reaffirmation, continued accreditation, and placed the following institutions on Warning:

Houston Baptist University, Houston, Tex.
For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.5 (Institutional Effectiveness), Core Requirement 2.12 (Quality Enhancement Plan), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.5 (Institutional Effectiveness: Community and Public Service), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.2 (Quality Enhancement Plan), and Comprehensive Standard 3.5.4 (Terminal Degrees of Faculty) of the Principles of Accreditation.

Interdenominational Theological Center, Atlanta, Ga.
For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.5 (Institutional Effectiveness), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional Effectiveness: Educational Programs), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.2 (Institutional Effectiveness: Administrative Support Services), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.4 (Institutional Effectiveness: Research), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.5 (Institutional Effectiveness: Community/Public Service), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.2 (Quality Enhancement Plan), Comprehensive Standard 3.4.7 (Consortial Relationships/Contractual Agreements), Comprehensive Standard 3.6.3 (Institutional Credits for a Degree), Comprehensive Standard 3.9.3 (Qualified Staff), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.4 (Control of Finances), Comprehensive Standard 3.11.2 (Institutional Environment), and Federal Requirement 4.7 (Title IV Program Responsibilities) of the Principles of Accreditation.

Louisiana College, Pineville, La.
For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.5 (Institutional Effectiveness), Comprehensive Standard 3.2.9 (Faculty/Staff Appointment), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional Effectiveness: Educational Programs), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.2 (Institutional Effectiveness: Administrative Support Services), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.3 (Institutional Effectiveness: Educational Support Services), Comprehensive Standard 3.4.11 (Academic Program Coordination), Comprehensive Standard 3.5.1 (College-Level Competencies), Comprehensive Standard 3.5.4 (Terminal Degree of Faculty), Comprehensive Standard 3.7.1 (Faculty Competence), Comprehensive Standard 3.11.1 (Control of Physical Resources), and Federal Requirement 4.1 (Student Achievement) of the Principles of Accreditation.

Savannah State University, Savannah, Ga.
For six months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.8 (Faculty) of the Principles of Accreditation.

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The Commission denied reaffirmation, continued accreditation, and continued the following institutions on Warning:

Montreat College, Montreat, N.C.

For twelve months for failure to comply with Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial Resources: Financial Stability) of the Principles of Accreditation.

Mount Olive College, Mount Olive, N.C.

For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial Resources), Comprehensive Standard 3.5.1 (College-Level Competencies), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial Stability), and Comprehensive Standard 3.10.4 (Control of Finances) of the Principles of Accreditation.

Stillman College, Tuscaloosa, Ala.

For six months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial Resources) and Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial Stability) of the Principles of Accreditation.

Virginia Intermont College, Bristol, Va.

For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial Resources) and Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial Stability) of the Principles of Accreditation.

The Commission placed the following institution on Probation:

Our Lady of Holy Cross College, New Orleans, La.

For six months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.2 (Governing Board), Comprehensive Standard 3.2.2 (Governing Board Control), Comprehensive Standard 3.2.4 (External Influence), and Comprehensive Standard 3.2.5 (Board Dismissal) of the Principles of Accreditation.

The Commission denied reaffirmation, continued accreditation, and placed the following institution on Probation:

Florida Christian College, Kissimmee, Fla.

For six months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial Resources) and Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial Stability) of the Principles of Accreditation.

Other Business

Chair Hilpert indicated that, in addition to reading the Board of Trustees actions from the Summer and Annual Meetings during the Business Meeting of the College Delegate Assembly, the Commission planned to display institutional names and actions on the overhead screen in the meeting room while the actions are being read. An institution placed on sanction during the summer meeting of the Board of Trustees protested this planned activity. The Commission policy "Disclosure of Accrediting Documents and Actions of the Southern Association of Colleges and

The Commission continued accreditation for good cause and placed the following institutions on Probation:

Chattahoochee Valley Community College,
Phenix City, Ala.

For twelve months for failure to comply with Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional Effectiveness: Educational Programs) of the Principles of Accreditation.

Fisk University, Nashville, Tenn.

For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.2 (Governing Board), Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial Resources), Comprehensive 3.2.8 (Qualified Administrative/Academic Officer), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial Stability), 3.10.4 (Control of Finances), and Federal Requirement 4.7 (Title IV Program Responsibilities) of the Principles of Accreditation.

Greensboro College, Greensboro, N.C.

For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial Resources) and Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial Stability) of the Principles of Accreditation.

Ranger College, Ranger, Tex.

For twelve months for failure to comply with Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional Effectiveness: Educational Programs) of the Principles of Accreditation.

In accordance with the "Standing Rules of the Commission on Colleges," members of the Board abstained from the vote on the accreditation status of their respective institutions, affiliated institutions, and recognized conflicts of interest.

Chair Hilpert asked William Ingram, Chair of the Committee to Review Fifth-Year Interim Reports, to report on the review of 41 Track B institutions that make up the 2015 reaffirmation class. Ingram reported that 39 of the 41 institutions reviewed were requested to submit Referral Reports to the COC's Committees on Compliance and Reports. Standards most often cited were Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional effectiveness: educational program), Core Requirement 2.8 (Full-time faculty), Federal Requirement 4.7 (Title IV Program Responsibilities), Federal Requirement 4.4 (Program Length), and Comprehensive Standard 3.4.11 (Academic program coordination).

Schools Commission on Colleges" allows for the reading of the actions during the College Delegate Assembly; it is silent regarding the display of actions. The Chair asked for a motion to revise the SACSCOC Disclosure Policy to add a provision that during the reading of the SACSCOC Board of Trustees actions at the College Delegate Assembly meeting, the names of institutions and the actions will be displayed. The Board approved the motion.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

Minutes of the Business Meeting of the College Delegate Assembly of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges – December 6, 2011

The College Delegate Assembly of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges held its Annual Business Meeting at the Hilton Orlando Hotel in Orlando, Florida, on December 6, 2011, at 10:30 a.m. Chair John M. Hilpert, President of Delta State University, presided. Monsignor Franklyn M. Casale, President of Saint Thomas University, served as Vice Chair.

Dr. E. Joseph Savoie, President of the University of Louisiana at Lafayette, introduced the meeting's speaker, Mr.

Roberts T. Jones, President, Education and Workforce Policy, Alexandria, Virginia, whose topic was "21st Century Higher Education: The New Alignment."

Following the speaker's presentation, Chair Hilpert convened the business portion of the session and reported on the actions taken by the Executive Council and SACSCOC Commission on Colleges Board of Trustees during their meetings December 2-4, 2011. (*Refer to the December 5, 2011, meeting of the Board of Trustees for the minutes describing these actions.*)

Action on Nominations

Chair Hilpert explained the process for nominating individuals to the Commission's Board of Trustees. It is an open process whereby the chief executive officers (college delegates) are invited to submit nominees to their respective state Board of Trustees who, in turn, submit a slate of nominees to the Commission's Nominating Committee.

Vice-Chair Casale read the report of the Nominating Committee of the Commission on Colleges. The College Delegate Assembly elected the following to serve on the SACSCOC Board of Trustees:

Class of 2014

(Terms beginning January 1, 2012, and concluding December 31, 2014)

James A. Anderson, Chancellor, Fayetteville State University, Fayetteville, North Carolina (*First Term*)

Randolph E. Berridge, President, Florida High Tech Corridor Council, Inc., Heathrow, Florida (*Public Member*)

Robert G. Boehmer, Associate Provost for Academic Planning, University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia (*Second Term*)

A. Frank Bonner, President, Gardner-Webb University, Boiling Springs, North Carolina (*First Term*)

Glenn F. Boyce, President, Holmes Community College, Goodman, Mississippi (*First Term*)

Wilson G. Bradshaw, President, Florida Gulf Coast University, Fort Myers, Florida (*First Term*)

Stephen R. Briggs, President, Berry College, Mount Berry, Georgia (*Second Term*)

Timothy S. Brophy, Director of Institutional Assessment, University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida (*First Term*)

Kelvin Buck, Chair, House Committee on Universities and Colleges, District 5, Holly Springs, Mississippi (*Public Member*)

John S. Capps, President, Central Virginia Community College, Lynchburg, Virginia (*First Term*)

Theresa Y. Chiang, Vice President for Academic Administration, The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio, San Antonio, Texas (*Second Term*)

Larry L. Earvin, President, Huston-Tillotson University, Austin, Texas (*Second Term*)

Michael A. Gerber, President, Atlanta Regional Council for Higher Education, Atlanta, Georgia (*Public Member*)

Kimberely B. Hall, Executive Vice President of Academic and Student Affairs, South College, Knoxville, Tennessee (*First Term*)

Eric Hayler, BMW Manufacturing Company, Spartanburg, South Carolina (*Public Member*)

Billy D. Hilyer, President, Faulkner University, Montgomery, Alabama (*Second Term*)

William G. Ingram, President, Durham Technical Community College, Durham, North Carolina (*Second Term*)

Sandra J. Jordan, Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs, Georgia College & State University, Milledgeville, Georgia (*First Term*)

Flavius C. Killebrew, President, Texas A & M University-Corpus Christi, Corpus Christi, Texas (*First Term*)

Mary P. Kirk, President, Montgomery Community College, Troy, North Carolina (*First Term*)

James S. Klauber, President, Owensboro Community and Technical College, Owensboro, Kentucky (*First Term*)

Nancy B. Moody, President, Tusculum College, Greeneville, Tennessee (*First Term*)

John H. Russell, President, McMurry University, Abilene, Texas (*Second Term*)

Carla D. Sanderson, Provost and Executive Vice President, Union University, Jackson, Tennessee (*First Term*)

E. Joseph Savoie, President, The University of Louisiana at Lafayette, Lafayette, Louisiana (*Second Term*)

Wilson Stone, House Representative, Scottsville, Kentucky (*Public Member*)

Evans P. Whitaker, President, Anderson University, Anderson, South Carolina (*Second Term*)

Stan A. Wilkins, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, Bossier Parish Community College, Bossier City, Louisiana (*Second Term*)

Susan A. Winsor, President, Aiken Technical College, Aiken, South of Carolina (*Second Term*)

Class 2013

(Filling a vacancy; eligible in 2013 for a second term)

David L. Beckley, President, Rust College, Holly Springs, Mississippi (*First Term*)

Karen P. Helm, Director, University Planning & Analysis, North Carolina State University, Raleigh, North Carolina (*First Term*)

Edward L. Schrader, President, Brenau University, Gainesville, Georgia (*First Term*)

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Class of 2014

(Filling a vacancy; eligible in 2012 for a second term)

Jairy C. Hunter, Jr., President, Charleston Southern University, Charleston, South Carolina (*First Term*)

The College Delegate Assembly elected the following to serve on the Board of Trustees of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools:

For Chair-Elect to the SACS Board of Trustees

Jennifer L. Braaten, President, Ferrum College, Ferrum, Virginia

For Public Representative to the SACS Board of Trustees

Robert P. Benson, Jr., Attorney, Benson, Byrne, Risch, Siemens & Lange, Louisville, Kentucky (*First Term*)

The College Delegate Assembly elected the following to the Appeals Committee of the College Delegate Assembly:

Appeals Committee, Class of 2014

(for three, one-year terms)

Robert I. Fernandez, President, Fernandez & Company, Fort Worth, Texas

Bruce T. Murphy, Chief Academic Officer, Air University, Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama

David E. Potts, President, Judson College, Marion, Alabama

Denise M. Trauth, President, Texas State University-San Marcos, San Marcos, Texas

Appeals Committee, Class of 2013

(for two, one-year terms)

W. Blaine Early, III, Attorney at Law, Stites & Harbison, PLLC, Lexington, Kentucky

Martha M. Ellis, Associate Vice Chancellor Community College Partnerships, University of Texas System Office of Academic Affairs, Austin, Texas

Appeals Committee, Class of 2012

(for one, one-year term)

Deborah Diddle, Certified Public Accountant, Knoxville, Tennessee

Hearing Officer to the Appeals Committee

Richard A. Bales, Professor, Northern Kentucky University Chase College of Law, Highland Heights, Kentucky

Chair Hilpert referred the membership to the list of SACSCOC Board of Trustees elected on Monday to serve on the 2012 Executive Council. The report was presented to the College Delegate Assembly as information.

Chair Hilpert recognized and thanked the following members of the 2011 Nominating Committee of the Commission: Linwood H. Rose (*Chair*), President, James Madison University, Harrisonburg, Va.; M. Christopher Brown, II, President, Alcorn State University, Alcorn State, Mississippi; William M. Holda, President, Kilgore College, Kilgore, Texas; E. Ann McGee, President, Seminole State College of Florida, Sanford, Florida; and James H. Taylor, President, University of the Cumberlands, Williamsburg, Kentucky.

Report of the SACSCOC Board of Trustees: Proposed Changes to the *Principles of Accreditation*

Chair Hilpert reported that a copy of the proposed changes to the *Principles of Accreditation* was sent in October to the chief executive officers of the Commission's member institutions and was posted on the Commission's Web page eight weeks prior to this meeting.

The *Principles* Review Committee met three times between March and May of 2011. During its final meeting in May, the Committee convened to consider responses received from the membership and other interested parties to the call for comments to the proposed changes as distributed in April. The call for comment generated responses from a cross-section of institutions and other constituents, most of whom commended the work of the Committee. The comments indicated a high level of satisfaction with the proposed changes.

The proposal from the Principles Review Committee was adopted by the Commission's Board of Trustees during its meeting in June 2011. Chair Hilpert indicated that the membership had the opportunity to review the proposed changes, was informed of the process used to develop the proposal and, in accord with SACSCOC Standing Rules, received the final proposal 30 days in advance of the College Delegate Assembly Business Meeting. The proposal (1) clarifies current standards, (2) addresses federal regulations required of accrediting agencies recognized as gatekeepers for Title IV funding, (3) incorporates language addressing federal expectations associated with the authentication of students enrolled in distance education and also language addressing institutional obligations for determining credit hours awarded for courses and programs, (4) clarifies that all sections of the

standards should be applied to the review of off-campus sites and distance and correspondence education, and (5) includes the definitions of distance and of correspondence education, branch campus, and off-campus instructional site in the overview.

Chair Hilpert reminded the Assembly that, according to the "Standing Rules of the College Delegate Assembly," the proposed changes could be approved or rejected in part or whole, or could be remanded back to the Commission's Board of Trustees. The proposals could not be modified from the floor of the Assembly.

Chair Hilpert called on Vice Chair Casale to present the proposed changes to the *Principles* as approved by the SACSCOC Board of Trustees in June 2011. A motion was made on behalf of the Board of Trustees to adopt the changes as presented. It was seconded and passed. The changes will become effective January 1, 2012.

In summary, the adopted revisions include the following: (1) a specific acknowledgement for the recognition of religious missions, (2) an expectation that institutions have published criteria for accepting credit for transfer (CS 3.4.4), (3) the requirement that an institution evaluates success with respect to student achievement consistent with its mission which may include a variety of criteria that are listed (FR 4.1), (4) a requirement for student authentication ensuring that the student who registers in distance education is the student who participates and receives credits (FR 4.8), (5) a written procedure protecting the privacy of students enrolled in distance education and also a procedure for notifying students of extra

charges associated with the verification of student identity (FR 4.8), (6) a requirement that institutions have policies and procedures for determining the credit hours awarded for courses and programs and that they conform to commonly accepted practice in higher education and Commission policy (FR 4.9), (7) more clarity in CR 2.8 pertaining to full-time faculty, (8) a change in the use of terminology regarding related foundations and corporate entities by collapsing the terms into that of “entity” and addressing those requirements under 3.2.13, (9) a change to CS 3.5.1 regarding general education competencies so that institutions are looking at students rather than

graduates in the attainment of competencies, (10) an expectation on the number of credit hours required to be earned through instruction offered by the institution awarding the degree, regardless of contractual agreements or consortial arrangements with other COC-accredited institutions (CS 3.5.2 and 3.6.3), and (11) a change CS 3.5.4 that requires institutions to continue to demonstrate that at least 25 % of course hours in each major at the baccalaureate level are taught by faculty members holding an appropriate terminal degree—thereby deleting all reference to the term “discipline.”

Report of the Commission on Colleges on the Accreditation of Institutions

Vice Chair Casale read the reports from SACSCOC Board of Trustees regarding accreditation actions taken on June 23, 2011, and December 6, 2011. The reports were read as information. (See “Minutes of the Board of Trustees, June 23, 2011,” page 33, and “Minutes of the Board of Trustees, De-

ember 6, 2011,” page 45.)

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:50 a.m. after announcing that the College Delegates would reconvene December 2012 in Dallas, Texas.

Appeals Proceedings of the College Delegate Assembly – February 21, 2011

On December 6, 2010, the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges Board of Trustees took action to terminate the accreditation of Lambuth University located in Jackson, Tenn. citing failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.5 (Institutional Effectiveness), Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial Resources), Comprehensive Standard 3.2.8 (Qualified Administrative/Academic Officers), Comprehensive Standard 3.5.1 (College-Level Competencies), Comprehensive Standard 3.5.4 (Terminal Degrees of Faculty), Comprehensive Standard 3.8.3 (Qualified Staff), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial Stability), Comprehensive

Standard 3.10.4 (Control of Finances), and Federal Requirement 4.7 (Title IV Program Responsibilities) of the *Principles of Accreditation*.

Following notification of the action, the institution appealed the decision of the Board of Trustees. On February 21, 2011, the Appeals Committee of the College Delegate Assembly convened in Atlanta, Ga., to hear the appeal of Lambuth University. The Appeals Committee ruled to uphold the decision of the Board taken on December 6, 2010, to terminate the institution’s accreditation.

Minutes of the Executive Session of SACSCOC Board of Trustees – June 21, 2012

The SACSCOC Board of Trustees met in Executive Session on Thursday, June 21, at 9:30 a.m. at the Westfields Marriott Dulles Hotel in Chantilly, Virginia. Dr. John M. Hilpert, Chair of SACSCOC Board of Trustees and President of Delta State University in Mississippi, presided. Dr. Larry Earvin, Vice Chair of SACSCOC Board of Trustees and President of Huston-Tillotson University, served as recorder.

Vice-Chair Earvin called the roll. The following Board members were in attendance: Wayne D. Andrews, President, Morehead State University, Morehead, Kentucky; Pamela D. Anglin, President, Paris Junior College, Paris, Texas; Mary-Lou Apple, President, Motlow State Community College, Lynchburg, Tennessee; David L. Beckley, President, Rust College, Holly Springs, Mississippi; Randolph E. Berridge, President, Florida High Tech Corridor Council, Inc., Heathrow, Florida; Wilsie S. Bishop, Vice President for Health Affairs and University Chief Operating Officer, East Tennessee State University, Johnson City, Tennessee; Robert G. Boehmer, Interim President, East Georgia College, Swainsboro, Georgia; A. Frank Bonner, President, Gardner-Webb University, Boiling Springs, North Carolina; Trina B. Boteler, Vice President of Academic Affairs, Chattahoochee Technical College, Marietta, Georgia; Stephen R. Briggs, President, Berry College, Mount Berry, Georgia; Timothy S. Brophy, Director of

Institutional Assessment, University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida; Kelvin Buck, Mississippi House of Representatives, Holly Springs, Mississippi; John S. Capps, President, Central Virginia Community College, Lynchburg, Virginia; Theresa Y. Chiang, Vice President for Academic Administration (*retired*), The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio, San Antonio, Texas; Larry L. Earvin, President and CEO, Huston-Tillotson University, Austin, Texas; Benito Flores, Dean, Division of Engineering and Technologies, Universidad de Monterrey, Mexico, Mexico; Kenneth R. Garren, President, Lynchburg College, Lynchburg, Virginia; Michael A. Gerber, President, Cross Channel Initiatives, Atlanta, Georgia; Michael A. Gillette, President, Bioethical Services of Virginia, Lynchburg, Virginia; M. Dwaine Greene, Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost, Campbell University, Buies Creek, North Carolina; Kimberely B. Hall, Executive Vice President, South College, Knoxville, Tennessee; Walter Harris, Jr., Distinguished University Professor and Professor of Music, Loyola University New Orleans, New Orleans, Louisiana; Billy C. Hawkins, President, Talladega College, Talladega, Alabama; Karen P. Helm, Director, University Planning and Analysis, North Carolina State Univer-

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sity; Raleigh, North Carolina; Kennard Hill, Senior Advisor, Dell Perot Systems Health Care, Wichita Falls, Texas; John M. Hilpert, President, Delta State University, Cleveland, Mississippi; Billy D. Hilyer, President, Faulkner University, Montgomery, Alabama; Carl M. Hite, President, Cleveland State Community College, Cleveland, Tennessee; Jairy C. Hunter, Jr., President, Charleston Southern University, Charleston, South Carolina; William G. Ingram, President, Durham Technical Community College, Durham, North Carolina; Katherine M. Johnson, President, Pasco-Hernando Community College, New Port Richey, Florida; Sandra J. Jordan, Chancellor, University of South Carolina – Aiken, Aiken, South Carolina; Flavius C. Killebrew, President/CEO, Texas A&M University - Corpus Christi, Corpus Christi, Texas; Mary P. Kirk, President, Montgomery Community College, Troy, North Carolina; Charles D. Lein, Retired President, Stuller, Inc. Management Consultant, Lafayette, Louisiana; William T. Luckey, Jr., President, Lindsey Wilson College, Columbia, Kentucky; David P. Manuel, Chancellor, Louisiana State University at Alexandria, Alexandria, Louisiana; Paul W. Martin, Jr., Chief Managing Member, Clarity Resources LLC, Knoxville, Tennessee; Terry M. McConathy, Executive Vice President and Dean of Graduate School, Louisiana Tech University, Ruston, Louisiana; Betty A. McCrohan, President, Wharton County Junior College, Wharton, Texas; F. Craig McDaniel, President, Georgia Northwestern Technical College, Rome, Georgia; Charles Edward Meadows, President, Pensacola State College, Pensacola, Florida; Nancy B. Moody, President, Tusculum College, Greeneville, Tennessee; Darrell F. Parker, Dean, College of Business, Western Carolina University, Cullowhee, North Carolina; Martin H. Posey, Department Chair/Professor, University of North Carolina at Wilmington, Wilmington, North Carolina; Joseph C. Rallo, President, Angelo State University, San Angelo, Texas; Rosalind Reichard, President, Emory & Henry College, Emory, Virginia; John H. Russell, President, McMurry University, Abilene, Texas; Carla D. Sanderson, Provost and Executive Vice President, Union University, Jackson, Tennessee; Martha D. Saunders, Distinguished Professor, Division of Arts & Letters, The University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg, Mississippi; E. Joseph Savoie, President, The University of Louisiana at Lafayette, Lafayette, Louisiana; Edward L.

Schrader, President, Brenau University, Gainesville, Georgia; Wilson Stone, House of Representatives, Kentucky Legislature, Scottsville, Kentucky; Linda K. Thomas-Glover, President, Eastern Shore Community College, Melfa, Virginia; L. Steve Thornburg, President, Cleveland Community College, Shelby, North Carolina; John G. Thornell, Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost, University of North Alabama, Florence, Alabama; Andrew Westmoreland, President, Samford University, Birmingham, Alabama; Evans P. Whitaker, President, Anderson University, Anderson, South Carolina; Stan A. Wilkins, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, Bossier Parish Community College, Bossier City, Louisiana; Susan A. Winsor, President, Aiken Technical College, Aiken, South Carolina; and Daniel A. Wubah, Vice President and Dean for Undergraduate Education, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Blacksburg, Virginia.

The following Board members were not in attendance: James A. Anderson, Chancellor, Fayetteville State University, Fayetteville, North Carolina; Glenn F. Boyce, President, Holmes Community College, Goodman, Mississippi; Wilson G. Bradshaw, President, Florida Gulf Coast University, Fort Myers, Florida; Carol Z. Garrison, President, The University of Alabama at Birmingham, Birmingham, Alabama; Paul Hankins, President, Alabama Association of Independent Colleges and Universities, Montgomery, Alabama; Vicki P. Hawsey, President, Wallace State Community College, Hanceville, Alabama; Eric A. Hayler, ASQ Board Member, Boiling Springs, South Carolina; Myles T. Jones, Realtor, Coldwell Banker, Huff & Pennink Advantage, Eastover, North Carolina; Mark E. Keenum, President, Mississippi State University, Mississippi State, Mississippi; James S. Klauber, President, Owensboro Community and Technical College, Owensboro, Kentucky; Gordon E. Michalson, Jr., Professor of Humanities, New College of Florida, Sarasota, Florida; and Emma Bradford Perry, Dean of Libraries, John B. Cade Library, Southern University and A&M College at Baton Rouge, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

The Board approved the minutes of its December 2011 Executive Business Meeting. Copies of the minutes of the December 2011 and March 2012 Executive Council meetings were presented to the Board as information.

Report from the Chair

Chair Hilpert reported that during its meetings on June 19-20, 2012, the Executive Council discussed or took action on the following items:

1. Approved the 2012-2013 budget of the Commission on Colleges.
2. Reviewed the Capital Expenditure Report.
3. Reviewed the report by the Investment Committee.
4. Approved the 2012-13 Goals of the Board
5. Reviewed staff reports on the following: (1) Small College Initiative session held on April 17, 2012, that focused on the use of data and how to make a case for compliance; (2) substantive change activities; (3) training and research activities; and (4) a report from the Peer Review Advisory Board that examined whether the Commission staff should accept requests for working with graduate students researching accreditation.
6. Appointed an Executive Council subcommittee to examine ways the Commission can work with public governing boards when complaints are filed and the governing boards are part of the issue.
7. Requested that Commission staff examine whether there should be a statute of limitations for filing complaints.
8. Requested that staff develop a Statement of Institutional Status which would make available to the public more comprehensive information regarding an institution following Board action on reaffirmation.
9. Edited the Employee Protection Policy, formerly called the Whistleblower Policy, in accord with directions from the Board. The Board acted on the policy last year.
10. Approved the University of Tennessee Knoxville's proposal for restructuring and its timeline for review
11. Endorsed a staff proposal that would result in the SAC-SCOC Board of Trustees meeting one week earlier in June

and that backs up other activities two weeks to allow C & R an additional week to review their C & R materials for the June meeting. The staff will begin to phase-in the change using a timeline that would not to disrupt deadline expectations of institutions currently in the reaffirmation process.

12. The Annual Meeting will be held December 7-11 (Fridays) in Dallas, Texas, at the Hilton Anatole Hotel. A reminder to all Board members not to register or secure accommodations. Your registration and accommodations will be taken care of by Commission staff that plan to contact you later.

Report from the President

Dr. Belle S. Wheelan, President of SACS Commission on Colleges, thanked Board members and staff for their support and assistance this past year. She expressed appreciation to the Council and C & R readers for their diligence and time in preparing for and making decisions regarding policies and the accreditation of institutions. She updated the Board

13. Evaluated and extended the contract of President Belle Wheelan.

The Chair called on SACSCOC legal counsel to update the Board on current litigation. Mr. Patrick McKee reported on the litigation status of Paul Quinn College and also on the Commission's trademark application from the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office.

The Chair recognized the retirement of Theresa Chiang and thanked her for her 3 ½ years of service on the SACSCOC Board of Trustees.

on the regional commissions and their activities, presented the Commission's budget, and entertained questions about some of the line items; and provided Board members with an update regarding higher education legislative actions in Washington, D.C.

Actions on Commission Policies, Procedures, and Best Practices

The Board of Trustees took the following actions in regard to Commission policies, procedures, and best practices:

1. **Approved proposed modifications to Article VI of the Bylaws of SACSCOC.** Approved a revision to the Bylaws that (1) makes the Audit and Finance and the Investment Committees permanent standing committees of the Board; (2) creates for each Committee a minimum of three members and a maximum of five; (3) requires that at least two members be appointed from the Executive Council; (4) allows for the appointment of other members of the Board and at-large members; (5) provides that each Committee member be eligible to serve three one-year terms; (6) ensures that the number of at-large members of the Committee is always one fewer than Committee members who are Board members; (7) allows that all on the Committee are voting members; and (8) authorizes the Chair of SACSCOC Board of Trustees to appoint a Council member on the Committee as its chair.
2. **Flat Rate for Fees Assessment.** Approved the establishment of a flat rate to cover administrative expenses associated with the selection and preparation of evaluation committees authorized to conduct Fifth-Year Off-Campus Instructional Site, Substantive Change, and Special Committee reviews. Based on data on average costs of the review committees, the flat assessment fees are \$1,500, \$2,000, and \$1,500 respectively.
3. **Standing Rules: SACSCOC Board of Trustees, Executive Council, and the College Delegate Assembly.** Approved a revision to the Standing Rules that allows a member of the Executive Council to serve a fourth consecutive one-year term on the Council if elected as Chair of the Board of Trustees. This change ensures continuity of leadership for the Board.

4. **Complaint Procedures against the Commission or Its Accredited Institutions.** Approved revisions to the current policy that (1) add the Commission's address for submission of a complaint, (2) eliminate the requirement for an institution to have complaint policies for use by the public, (3) more clearly delineate points used by Commission staff to determine the disposition of a complaint, and (4) extend the number of days for an institution's response from 15 to 20 working days. The revision also ensures that complainants are notified regarding a change of staff and a modification of a review schedule.
5. **Procedure Three of the Commission's Substantive Change Policy: Closing a Program, Instructional Site, Branch Campus or an Institution: Teach-out Plans and Agreements.** Approved the addition of the following three provisions to the current procedure that respond to federal requirements: (1) requires an institution that is closing, or that closes an instructional site or branch campus to explain how all affected students will be helped to complete their programs of study with minimal disruption, (2) requires an institution to provide an explanation as to whether the teach-out plan will incur additional charges/expenses to the students and, if so, how students would be notified, and (3) includes a statement that says the Commission will notify all accreditors of its review and approval of teach-out plans developed with institutions outside the Southern region.

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Actions on Accreditation

The SACSCOC Board of Trustees approved the following actions of the Committees on Compliance and Reports and the Executive Council. The following list *does not include* the names of institutions required only to submit additional monitoring reports, unless the review resulted in a negative or an adverse action.

The Commission reaffirmed the accreditation of the following institutions:

Alvin Community College, Alvin, Texas
Atlanta Metropolitan College, Atlanta, Georgia
(Reviewed as a Level I institution)
Bridgewater College, Bridgewater, Virginia
Calhoun Community College, Decatur, Alabama
Cleveland Community College, Shelby, North Carolina
College of Coastal Georgia, Brunswick, Georgia
East Central Community College, Decatur, Mississippi
Florida Keys Community College, Key West, Florida
Florida National University, Hialeah, Florida
Gaston College, Dallas, North Carolina
Grayson County College, Denison, Texas
George C. Wallace Community College,
Dothan, Alabama
Henderson Community College, Henderson, Kentucky
Hopkinsville Community College, Hopkinsville,
Kentucky
Houston Community College, Houston, Texas
Lone Star College System, The Woodlands, Texas
McLennan Community College, Waco, Texas
Meridian Community College, Meridian, Mississippi
Morris College, Sumter, South Carolina
North Central Texas College, Gainesville, Texas
Northern Virginia Community College, Annandale,
Virginia
Odessa College, Odessa, Texas
Palm Beach State College, Lake Worth, Florida
Palo Alto College, San Antonio, Texas
Pellissippi State Community College, Knoxville,
Tennessee
Roanoke College, Salem, Virginia
Roanoke-Chowan Community College, Ahoskie,
North Carolina
South Florida Community College, Avon Park, Florida
South Louisiana Community College, Lafayette,
Louisiana
Southeastern Community College, Whiteville,
North Carolina
Southwest Georgia Technical College, Thomasville,
Georgia
Transylvania University, Lexington, Kentucky
Voorhees College, Denmark, South Carolina
Weatherford College, Weatherford, Texas
William Peace University, Raleigh, North Carolina
Williamsburg Technical College, Kingstree,
South Carolina

The Commission reaffirmed the accreditation of the following institutions and removed them from sanction:

Bauder College, Atlanta, Georgia
(removed from Warning)
McDowell Technical Community College, Marion,
North Carolina
(removed from Warning)
Savannah State University, Savannah, Georgia
(removed from Warning)
Stillman College, Tuscaloosa, Alabama
(removed from Warning)

The Commission granted initial accreditation to the following institutions:

(Initial accreditation effective January 1, 2012)
Altamaha Technical College, Jesup, Georgia (Level I)
American College of Acupuncture & Oriental Medicine,
Houston, Texas (Level III)
J. F. Drake State Technical College, Huntsville,
Alabama (Level I)
Southern Virginia University, Buena Vista,
Virginia (Level II)

The Commission granted initial candidacy to the following institutions:

(Initial candidacy effective June 21, 2012)
College of Biblical Studies-Houston, Houston, Texas
Moultrie Technical College, Moultrie, Georgia
Sowela Technical Community College, Lake Charles,
Louisiana
Virginia Tech Carilion School of Medicine, Roanoke,
Virginia

The Commission authorized a Candidate Committee visit to the following institution:

H.Councill Trenholm State Technical Community
College, Montgomery, Alabama

The Commission authorized an Accreditation Committee visit to the following institutions:

Texas A & M University Central Texas, Killeen, Texas
(Currently accredited as part of Tarleton State University and seeking separate accreditation. Action Includes approval of an exception to CR 2.7.4)
University of North Texas at Dallas, Dallas, Texas
(Currently accredited as part of the University of North Texas and seeking separate accreditation.)

The Commission accredited the following member institutions at a more advanced degree level:

Aquinas College, Nashville, Tennessee
Moved from Level II to Level III to offer the Master of Education in Teaching and Learning, Master of Arts in Teaching K-6, Master of Arts in Teaching 7-12, Master of Science in Nursing Education, and the Post-Masters Certificate in Nursing Education
Georgia Highlands College, Rome, Georgia
Moved from Level I to Level II to offer the Bachelor of Science in Nursing
Lake-Sumter Community College, Leesburg, Florida
Moved from Level I to Level II to offer the Bachelor of Applied Science in Organizational Management
Middle Tennessee School of Anesthesia, Madison,
Tennessee
Moved from Level III to Level V to offer the Doctor of Nurse Anesthesia Practice (with 50 percent or more of the coursework offered through distance learning)

St. Augustine's College, Raleigh, North Carolina
Moved from Level II to Level III to offer the Master of Science in Physician Assistant

South Florida Community College, Avon Park, Florida
Moved from Level I to Level II to offer the Bachelor of Applied Science in Supervision and Management (including distance delivery of this program)

Tennessee Wesleyan College, Athens, Tennessee
Moved from Level II to Level III to offer the Master of Science in Curriculum Leadership

Texas Lutheran University, Seguin, Texas
Moved from Level II to Level III to offer the Master of Accountancy

The Commission approved the following substantive changes:

Austin Community College, Austin, Texas
Approved two off-campus instructional sites located at Anderson High School and Rouse High School

Montreat College, Montreat, North Carolina
Approved the instructional site at Western Piedmont Community College in Morganton, NC, to exclusively include coursework offered for the Bachelor of Science in Psychology and Human Services

Montreat College, Montreat, North Carolina
Approved the instructional site at Johnson C. Smith University in Charlotte, NC, to include coursework offered for the Master of Business Administration and Master of Science in Management and Leadership

Montreat College, Montreat, North Carolina
Approved to offer the Master of Science in Management and Leadership and the Bachelor of Business Administration via distance education

South College, Knoxville, Tennessee
Approved a change in a corporate structure from an S Corporation to a Limited Liability Corporation

Texas State Technical College—Harlingen, Harlingen, Texas
Approved the Associate of Applied Science in Registered Nursing

The Commission continued the accreditation of the following institutions after review by an on-site Substantive Change Committee:

Brenau University, Gainesville, Georgia
Review of membership at Level V offering the Doctor of Nursing Practice

ECPI University, Virginia Beach, Virginia
Review of membership at Level III offering the Master of Science in Information Technology

Frontier Nursing University, Hyden, Kentucky
Review of change of governance

Gulf Coast State College, Panama City, Florida
Review of membership at Level II offering the Bachelor of Applied Science in Technology Management

Houston Community College, Houston, Texas
Review of Saigon Tech off-campus instructional site

Huntingdon College, Montgomery, Alabama
Review of off-campus instructional sites located at the Center Point and Shelby campuses of Jefferson State Community College

Jacksonville State University, Jacksonville, Alabama
Review of membership at Level V offering the Doctor of Science in Emergency Management

Jacksonville University, Jacksonville, Florida
Review of membership at Level V offering the Doctor of Nursing Practice

Mars Hill College, Mars Hill, North Carolina
Review of membership at Level III offering the Master of Education in Elementary Education.

Northeast State Community College, Blountville, Tennessee
Review of a new off-campus instructional site, called Northeast State

at Gray Tennessee, and offering 50 percent or more of the Associate of Arts, Associate of Science, and the Associate of Applied Science in Business Management degrees

Pensacola State College, Pensacola, Florida
Review of membership at Level II offering the Bachelor of Science in Nursing and the Bachelor of Applied Science in Administration and Supervision

Piedmont Virginia Community College, Charlottesville, Virginia
Review of the following off-campus instructional locations in Virginia where students can earn 50 percent or more of an educational program: Charlottesville High School, Charlottesville; Fork Union Military Academy, Fork Union; Fluvanna County High School, Palmyra; Monticello High School, Charlottesville; and Nelson County High School, Lovingston. The Fluvanna Correctional Center for Women was also reviewed.

St. Johns River State College, Palatka, Florida
Review of membership at Level II offering the Bachelor of Applied Science in Organizational Management and the Bachelor of Science in Early Childhood Development

Salem College, Winston-Salem, North Carolina
Review of an off-campus instructional sites at Davidson County Community College

Snead State Community College, Boaz, Alabama
Review of an off-campus instructional site at Arab High School, Arab, Alabama

South College, Knoxville, Tennessee
Review of membership at Level V offering the Doctor of Pharmacy

University of North Texas, Denton, Texas
Review of the following off-campus instructional sites: Collin Higher Education Center and Justin Wakeland High School

University of Texas at Brownsville/Texas Southmost College, Brownsville, Texas
Review of the following off-campus instructional sites in Texas: Multi-Institutional Teaching Center in Harlingen, Texas; Donna, Texas; Spring Branch, Texas; and Mission High School, Mission, Texas

The University of Texas—Pan American, Edinburg, Texas
Review of an off-campus instructional site in McAllen, Texas, where a student can earn 50 percent or more of the coursework leading to the following graduate degrees: Master of Arts in Communication, Master of Business Administration, Master of Education in Educational Administration, Master of Public Administration, and Master of Science in Mathematics

Valencia College, Orlando, Florida
Review of membership at Level II offering the Bachelor of Science in Electrical and Computer Engineering Technology and the Bachelor of Science in Radiologic and Imaging Sciences

Weatherford College, Weatherford, Texas
Review of a new off-campus instructional site in Granbury, Texas, called Weatherford College of Education Center

Webber International University, Babson Park, Florida
Review of the merger of Webber International University and St. Andrew's Presbyterian College

The Commission accepted the prospectus for the merger/consolidations of the following institutions:

Lenoir-Rhyne University, Hickory, North Carolina
Accepted the prospectus for the merger/consolidation of Lenoir-Rhyne University and Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary (a non-COC accredited institution)

Louisiana Delta Community College, Monroe, Louisiana
Accepted the prospectus for the merger/consolidation of Louisiana Delta Community College and Northeast Louisiana Technical College (a non-COC accredited institution)

South Louisiana Community College, Lafayette, Louisiana
Accepted the prospectus for the merger/consolidation of South Louisiana Community College and Acadiana Technical College (a non-COC accredited institution)

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The Commission removed the following institutions from Warning:

Southwestern Christian College, Terrell, Texas
University of North Carolina at Pembroke, Pembroke, North Carolina

The Commission removed the following institutions from Probation:

Our Lady of Holy Cross College, New Orleans, Louisiana
Shelton State Community College, Tuscaloosa, Alabama
Tougaloo College, Tougaloo, Mississippi

For Information, the Commission delayed the approval of the following substantive change pending review by the Executive Council in September 2012:

Athens State University, Athens, Alabama
Seeking approval of the change of governance from Alabama Community College System and the State Board to an independent public Board of Trustees to be effective October 1, 2012. (Subsequent to this action, the change was approved by the Executive Council on September 13, 2012.)

Sanctions and other Negative Actions

The Commission denied membership at a more advanced degree level for the following institution:

Louisiana College, Pineville, Louisiana
Denied move to Level V to offer the Juris Doctorate because the institution did not provide an acceptable plan and supporting documentation to ensure that it has the capability to comply with the following standards as they relate to the substantive change: Core Requirement 2.2 (Governing Board), Core Requirement 2.5 (Institutional Effectiveness) and Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional Effectiveness: educational programs) of the Principles of Accreditation.

The Commission denied approval of the following substantive change:

Montreat College, Montreat, NC
Denied approval to offer the Master of Arts in Clinical Mental Health Counseling at the Western Piedmont Community College site in Morganton, NC, because the institution did not provide an acceptable plan and supporting documentation to ensure that it has the capability to comply with the following standard as it relates to the substantive change: Comprehensive Standard 3.7.1 (Faculty Competence) of the Principles of Accreditation.

The Commission denied reaffirmation, continued accreditation, and placed the following institution on Warning:

Newberry College, Newberry, South Carolina
For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.2 (Governing board), Core Requirement 2.5 (Institutional effectiveness), Comprehensive Standard 3.2.3 (Board conflict of interest), Comprehensive Standard 3.2.6 (Board/administration distinction), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional effectiveness: educational programs), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.2 (Institutional effectiveness: administrative support services), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.3 (Institutional effectiveness: academic and student support services), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.5 (Institutional effectiveness: community/public service), Comprehensive Standard 3.5.1 (General education competencies), and Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial stability) of the Principles of Accreditation.

The Commission denied reaffirmation, continued accreditation, and continued the following institution on Warning:

Southern University at Shreveport, Shreveport, Louisiana
For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial Resources), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional Effectiveness: Educational Programs), and Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial Stability) of The Principles of Accreditation.

The Commission denied reaffirmation, continued accreditation, and placed the following institutions on Probation:

Brewton Parker College, Mount Vernon, Georgia
For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.5 (Institutional Effectiveness), Core Requirement 2.8 (Faculty), Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial Resources), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional Effectiveness: Educational Programs), Comprehensive Standard 3.5.4 (Terminal Degrees of Faculty), Comprehensive Standard 3.7.1 (Faculty Competence), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial Stability), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.3 (Control of Finances), and Federal Requirement 4.7 (Title IV Program Responsibilities) of The Principles of Accreditation.

Edison State College, Fort Myers, Florida
For twelve months for failure to comply with Principle 1.1 (Integrity), Core Requirement 2.8 (Faculty), Comprehensive Standard 3.2.8 (Qualified Administrative/Academic Officers), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional Effectiveness: Educational Programs), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.5 (Institutional Effectiveness: Community/Public Service), Comprehensive Standard 3.4.5 (Academic Policies), and Comprehensive Standard 3.5.3 (Undergraduate Program Requirements) of The Principles of Accreditation.

The Commission continued the accreditation of the following institutions and placed them on Warning:

Fundacion Universidad de las Americas Puebla, Puebla, Mexico
For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.8 (Faculty), Comprehensive Standard 3.2.8 (Qualified Administrative / Academic Officers), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional Effectiveness – academic programs), Comprehensive Standard 3.4.11 (Academic Program Coordination), Federal Requirement 4.1 (Student Achievement), and Federal Requirement 4.5 (Student Complaints), of the Principles of Accreditation.

Grambling State University, Grambling, Louisiana
For six months for failure to comply with Comprehensive Standard 3.10.3 (Control of Finances) and Comprehensive Standard 3.11.1 (Control of Physical Resources) of the Principles of Accreditation.

Midland College, Midland, Texas
For twelve months for failure to comply with Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional Effectiveness: Educational Programs), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.2 (Institutional Effectiveness: Administrative Support Services), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.3 (Institutional Effectiveness: Academic and Student Support Services), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.5 (Institutional Effectiveness: Community/Public Service), and Comprehensive Standard 3.5.1 (General Education Competencies) of The Principles of Accreditation.

Paine College, Augusta, Georgia
For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial Resources), Comprehensive Standard 3.2.8 (Qualified Administrative/Academic Officers), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial Stability), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.3 (Control of Finances), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.4 (Control of Sponsored Research/External Funds), and Federal Requirement 4.7 (Title IV Program Responsibilities) of The Principles of Accreditation.

Texarkana College, Texarkana, Texas
For six months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.2 (Governing Board), Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial Resources), Comprehensive Standard 3.2.8 (Qualified Administrative/Academic Officers), and Comprehensive Standard 3.10.3 (Control of Finances) of The Principles of Accreditation.

Victory University, Memphis, Tennessee
For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial Resources) of the Principles of Accreditation.

Virginia Union University, Richmond, Virginia
For six months for failure to comply with Comprehensive Standard 3.10.3 (Control of Finances), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.4 (Control of Sponsored Research/External Funds), and Federal Requirement 4.7 (Title IV Program Responsibilities) of the Principles of Accreditation.

The Commission continued the accreditation of the following institutions and continued them on Warning:

Austin Community College, Austin, Texas
For six months for failure to comply with Comprehensive Standard 3.12.1. (Substantive Change) of the Principles of Accreditation.

Birmingham-Southern College, Birmingham, Alabama
For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial Resources) and Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial Stability) of The Principles of Accreditation.

Jarvis Christian College, Hawkins Texas
For six months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial Resources), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional Effectiveness – educational programs), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial Stability), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.2 (Financial Aid Audits), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.3 (Control of Finances), and Federal Requirement 4.7 (Title IV Program Responsibilities), of the Principles of Accreditation.

The Commission continued accreditation for good cause and placed the following institutions on Probation:

Central Virginia Community College, Lynchburg, Virginia
For twelve months for failure to comply with Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional effectiveness: educational programs) of the Principles of Accreditation.

Laredo Community College, Laredo, Texas
For twelve months for failure to comply with Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.2 (Institutional effectiveness: administrative support services), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.3 (Institutional effectiveness: academic and student support services), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.5 (Institutional effectiveness: community/public service), and Comprehensive Standard 3.5.1 (General education competencies) of the Principles of Accreditation.

The Commission continued accreditation for good cause, denied reaffirmation, and continued the following institution on Probation:

Florida Christian College, Kissimmee, Florida
For good cause for six months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial Resources) and Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial Stability) of the Principles of Accreditation.

Adverse Action

The Commission removed the following institution from membership:

St. Paul's College, Lawrenceville, Virginia
For failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial resources), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.2 (Institutional effectiveness: administrative support services), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.3 (Institutional effectiveness: academic and student support services), Comprehensive Standard 3.5.4 (Terminal degrees of faculty), and Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial stability) of the Principles of Accreditation.

(On July 13, 2012, St. Paul's College appealed the Commission's decision to remove accreditation. On August 20, 2012, the Appeals Committee confirmed the decision of the Board to remove accreditation.)

In accordance with the "Standing Rules of the Commission on Colleges," members of the Board abstained from the vote on the accreditation status of their respective institutions, affiliated institutions, and any other recognized conflicts of interest.

Chair Hilpert asked Walter Harris, Chair of the Committee on Fifth-Year Interim Reports, to report on the reviews of 34 Track B institutions that make up the 2016 reaffirmation class. He reported that the standards most cited were Core Requirement 2.8; Comprehensive Standards 3.3.1.1, 3.4.11, 3.13; and Federal Requirement 4.1.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

Minutes of the Executive Session of SACSCOC Board of Trustees – December 10, 2012

The SACSCOC Board of Trustees met in Executive Session on Monday, December 10, 2012, at 3:30 p.m. at the Hilton Anatole Hotel, Dallas, Texas. Dr. John M. Hilpert, Chair of SACSCOC Board of Trustees and President of Delta State University in Mississippi, presided. Dr. Larry Earvin, Vice Chair of SACSCOC Board of Trustees and President of Huston-Tillotson University in Texas, served as recorder.

Vice Chair Earvin called the roll. The following Board members were in attendance: Pamela D. Anglin, President, Paris Junior College, Paris, Texas; MaryLou Apple, President, Motlow State Community College, Lynchburg, Tennessee; David L. Beckley, President, Rust College, Holly Springs, Mississippi; Randolph E. Berridge, President, Florida High Tech Corridor Council, Inc., Heathrow, Florida; Wilsie S. Bishop, Vice President for Health Affairs and University Chief Operating Officer, East Tennessee State University, Johnson City, Tennessee; Robert G. Boehmer, President, East Georgia State College, Swainsboro, Georgia; A. Frank Bonner, President, Gardner-Webb University, Boiling Springs,

North Carolina; Trina B. Boteler, Executive Vice President, Chattahoochee Technical College, Marietta, Georgia; Glenn F. Boyce, President, Holmes Community College, Goodman, Mississippi; Timothy S. Brophy, Director of Institutional Assessment, University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida; Larry L. Earvin, President and CEO, Huston-Tillotson University, Austin, Texas; Benito Flores, Dean, Division of Engineering and Technologies, Universidad de Monterrey, Mexico, Mexico; Michael A. Gerber, President, Cross Channel Initiatives, Atlanta, Georgia; M. Dwaine Greene, Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost, Campbell University, Buies Creek, North Carolina; Kimberly B. Hall, Executive Vice President, South College, Knoxville, Tennessee; Walter Harris, Jr., Distinguished University Professor and Professor of Music, Loyola University New Orleans, River Ridge, Louisiana; Billy C. Hawkins, President, Talladega College, Talladega, Alabama; Karen P. Helm, Director, University Planning and Analysis, North Carolina State University; Raleigh, North Carolina; Kennard Hill, Senior Advisor, Dell Perot Systems

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Health Care, Wichita Falls, Texas; John M. Hilpert, President, Delta State University, Cleveland, Mississippi; Carl M. Hite, President, Cleveland State Community College, Cleveland, Tennessee; Jairy C. Hunter, Jr., President, Charleston Southern University, Charleston, South Carolina; William G. Ingram, President, Durham Technical Community College, Durham, North Carolina; Katherine M. Johnson, President, Pasco-Hernando Community College, New Port Richey, Florida; Myles T. Jones, Realtor, Coldwell Banker, Huff & Pennink Advantage, Eastover, North Carolina; Mark E. Keenum, President, Mississippi State University, Mississippi State, Mississippi; Flavius C. Killebrew, President/CEO, Texas A&M University - Corpus Christi, Corpus Christi, Texas; Mary P. Kirk, President, Montgomery Community College, Troy, North Carolina; James S. Klauber, President, Owensboro Community and Technical College, Owensboro, Kentucky; William T. Luckey, Jr., President, Lindsey Wilson College, Columbia, Kentucky; David P. Manuel, Chancellor, Louisiana State University at Alexandria, Alexandria, Louisiana; Terry M. McConathy, Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean of the Graduate School, Louisiana Tech University, Ruston, Louisiana; Betty A. McCrohan, President, Wharton County Junior College, Wharton, Texas; F. Craig McDaniel, President, Georgia Northwestern Technical College, Rome, Georgia; Charles Edward Meadows, President, Pensacola State College, Pensacola, Florida; Gordon E. Michalson, Jr., Professor of Humanities, New College of Florida, Sarasota, Florida; Nancy B. Moody, President, Tusculum College, Greeneville, Tennessee; Darrell F. Parker, Dean, College of Business, Western Carolina University, Cullowhee, North Carolina; Martin H. Posey, Interim Associate Vice Chancellor, Dean of Undergraduate Studies, University of North Carolina at Wilmington, Wilmington, North Carolina; Joseph C. Rallo, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, Texas Tech University System, Lubbock, Texas; Rosalind Reichard, President, Emory & Henry College, Emory, Virginia; John H. Russell, President, McMurry University, Abilene, Texas; Carla D. Sanderson, Provost and Executive Vice President, Union University, Jackson, Tennessee; Martha D. Saunders, Distinguished Professor, Division of Arts & Letters, The University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg, Mississippi; E. Joseph Savoie, President, The University of Louisiana at Lafayette, Lafayette, Louisiana; Edward L. Schrader, President, Brenau University, Gainesville, Georgia; Wilson Stone,

House of Representatives, Kentucky Legislature, Scottsville, Kentucky; Linda K. Thomas-Glover, President, Eastern Shore Community College, Melfa, Virginia; L. Steve Thornburg, President, Cleveland Community College, Shelby, North Carolina; John G. Thornell, Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost, University of North Alabama, Florence, Alabama; Andrew Westmoreland, President, Samford University, Birmingham, Alabama; Evans P. Whitaker, President, Anderson University, Anderson, South Carolina; Stan A. Wilkins, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, Bossier Parish Community College, Bossier City, Louisiana; Susan A. Winsor, President, Aiken Technical College, Aiken, South Carolina; and Daniel A. Wubah, Vice President and Dean for Undergraduate Education, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Blacksburg, Virginia.

The following Board members were not in attendance: James A. Anderson, Chancellor, Fayetteville State University, Fayetteville, North Carolina; Wayne D. Andrews, President, Morehead State University, Morehead, Kentucky; Wilson G. Bradshaw, President, Florida Gulf Coast University, Fort Myers, Florida; Stephen R. Briggs, President, Berry College, Mount Berry, Georgia; Kelvin Buck, Mississippi House of Representatives, Holly Springs, Mississippi; Kenneth R. Garren, President, Lynchburg College, Lynchburg, Virginia; Carol Z. Garrison, President, The University of Alabama at Birmingham, Birmingham, Alabama; Michael A. Gillette, President, Bioethical Services of Virginia, Lynchburg, Virginia; Paul Hankins, President, Alabama Association of Independent Colleges and Universities, Montgomery, Alabama; Vicki P. Hawsey, President, Wallace State Community College, Hanceville, Alabama; Eric A. Hayler, ASQ Board Member, Boiling Springs, South Carolina; Billy D. Hilyer, President, Faulkner University, Montgomery, Alabama; Sandra J. Jordan, Chancellor, University of South Carolina – Aiken, Aiken, South Carolina; Charles D. Lein, Retired President, Stuller, Inc. Management Consultant, Lafayette, Louisiana; Paul W. Martin, Jr., Chief Managing Member, Clarity Resources LLC, Knoxville, Tennessee; and Emma Bradford Perry, Dean of Libraries, John B. Cade Library, Southern University and A&M College at Baton Rouge, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

The Board approved the minutes of its June 2012 Executive Business Meeting. A summary of the minutes of the June 2012 Executive Council meeting was presented as information.

Report from the Chair

Chair Hilpert called on Commission legal counsel, Mr. Patrick McKee, for a report to the Board. Mr. McKee updated the Board on litigation with St. Paul's College and with progress in securing the Commission's trademark.

Chair Hilpert reported to the Board that during sessions on December 7-9, 2012, the Executive Council took the following actions:

- Reviewed and commented on the following staff reports: Substantive change activities, applicant and candidate activities, the small college initiative scheduled for spring 2013 focusing on CEO/Board Chair relationships, and the SACSCOC Peer Review Advisory Board.
- Received and accepted a report from the Council's Investment Committee chaired by Board member William Luckey, and from the Council's Audit and Finance Committee chaired by Board member Andrew Westmoreland. Following review of the reports, the Council voted to change its investment company from Commonfund. The Council will interview prospective investment companies in spring 2013.
- Endorsed six policies relevant to COC staff and operations and forwarded them to the Board for final action.
- Appointed a Council subcommittee, chaired by Dr. Ed Meadows, to continue to review the relationship of state systems to SACSCOC.
- Received the 2011-2012 FY audit and its 990 Form for 2011.
- Directed staff to provide the Council with a strategy for public notification of the Board of Trustees' actions on the accreditation of institutions.

- Approved an action for staff to look at issues of governance that affect institutions in South America when applying for SACSCOC membership.
- Discussed the MOOCs movement and decided that the Commission currently has the policies and standards to begin dealing with the online courses.
- Received a report from its President regarding SACSCOC recognition by the U.S. Department of Education and the beginning of its renewed recognition by CHEA.

- Took action on the Reports of the Committees on Compliance and Reports and forwarded the reports to the Board for final action. No changes were made to the recommendations.

Chair Hilpert also confirmed the 2013 meeting dates of the Board: March 18-20 for the spring meeting of the Executive Council, June 17-20 for the summer meeting of the Board, and December 7-10 for the Annual Meeting.

Recognition of Outgoing COC Board of Trustees

The Chair recognized Board members whose terms expired December 2012 and commended them for their many contributions. Retiring Trustees included the following: Wayne Andrews, Wilsie Bishop, Ken Garren, Paul Hankins, Walter Harris, Kennard Hill, Myles Jones, Charles Lein, Paul Martin, Mike Michalson, and Steve Thornburg.

Belle S. Wheelan, President of SACS Commission on Colleges, presented gifts of appreciation to each of the retiring members for their many years of service on the Board. She commented on the great group of retiring volunteers whose strength had made a mark on the work of the Commission. She also presented a special gift in appreciation of the leadership of Chair John Hilpert, who completed six years as

a Board member and three years as Chair of the Board.

Wheelan continued with her presentation by expressing her appreciation to all Board members and C & R Chairs for their dedication and service and for their support. She updated the Board on financial and budget issues, the governance systems study, a strategy for making more information about Board action on institutions available to the public, the activities the Council of Regional Accrediting Commissions, and the Summer Institute. She indicated that the Council will be considering adding members to the *ad hoc* financial and investment committees of the Executive Council, especially those with special financial expertise.

Report of the Nominating Committee regarding Nominees to the Board of Trustees and Election of the 2013 Executive Council

The Board of Trustees reviewed the slate of nominees presented by the Commission's Nominating Committee, chaired by Christopher Brown, President of Alcorn State University, and approved the following list of individuals to serve as members of the 2013 Executive Council of SACSCOC Board of Trustees: Larry L. Earvin, President, Huston-Tillotson University, Texas (Chair); Carl M. Hite, President, Cleveland State Community College, Cleveland, Tennessee (Vice Chair); James A. Anderson, Chancellor, Fayetteville State University, Fayetteville, North Carolina; Robert G. Boehmer, President, East Georgia State University, Swainsboro, Georgia; Michael A. Gerber, President, Cross Channel Initiatives, Atlanta, Georgia (Public representative); Mark E. Keenum, President, Mississippi State University, Mississippi State, Mississippi; James S. Klauber, President, Owensboro Community and Technical College, Owensboro,

Kentucky; Charles Edward Meadows, President, Pensacola State College, Pensacola, Florida; Rosalind Reichard, President, Emory and Henry College, Emory, Virginia; John H. Russell, President, McMurry University, Abilene, Texas; E. Joseph Savoie, President, The University of Louisiana at Lafayette, Lafayette, Louisiana; Andrew Westmoreland, President, Samford University, Birmingham, Alabama; and Susan A. Winsor, President, Aiken Technical College, Aiken, South Carolina.

The reports from the Nominating Committee for the Commission on Colleges regarding nominees to the SACSCOC Board of Trustees, the Appeals Committee of the College Delegate Assembly, and the SACS' Board of Trustees were presented as information. Chair Hilpert thanked the members of the 2012 Executive Council for coordinating the nominating processes in their respective states.

Report of the Nominating Committee for Chairs of the 2013 Committees on Compliance and Reports

The Board of Trustees reviewed the slate of nominees presented by the Commission's Nominating Committee for Chairs of the Committees on Compliance and Reports. The Committee, chaired by Board member Walter Harris and comprised of other select Board members completing their final terms at this meeting—John Russell, Wilsie Bishop, and Steve Thornburg—presented its slate of nominees and the Board approved the following Board members to serve as chairs of C & R for 2013:

- For re-election: MaryLou Apple, William Ingram, and Joseph Rallo
- For election: Stephen Briggs, William Luckey, and Terry McConathy.

The SACSCOC Board of Trustees took the following actions regarding Commission policies, procedures, and best practices:

1. **Institutional Bankruptcy: Recommended Changes to Commission Policies.** The Board approved several changes to four current Commission policies in order to ensure Commission adherence to the Bankruptcy Code when taking action on an institution and to protect Commission actions. In addition, as part of an addendum, the Board approved the inclusion of the following statement: "An institution is obligated to notify the Commission office of any bankruptcy filing." The four policies affected by this action are as follows: "Sanctions, Denial of

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Actions on Commission Policies, Procedures, and Best Practices

- Reaffirmation, and Removal from Membership,” “Dues, Fees, and Expenses,” “Mergers, Consolidations, Change of Ownership, Acquisitions, and Change of Governance, Control, Form, or Legal Status,” and “Special Committee Procedures and Team Report.”
- 2. Complaint Procedures against the Commission or Its Accredited Institution.** The Board approved changes to the policy that (1) restrict the time allowed for filing a complaint and (2) minimize the use of voice recordings as part of evidence presented by a complainant in an institution’s alleged noncompliance.
 - 3. Substantive Change for Accredited Institutions of the Commission.** The Board approved revisions to Procedure Two of this policy that formerly required notification, not approval, prior to implementation of a substantive change. Prior notification is not a requirement of the federal regulations. The approved revisions significantly decrease the number of changes requiring prior notification.
 - 4. Disclosure Documents and Actions of SACSCOC.** The Board approved the revised policy that gives the President of SACSCOC the authority to authorize a special committee to review institutional compliance with Principle 1.1 (Integrity) when the Commission determines that an institution has released inaccurate information about its status in a public forum.
 - 5. Accrediting Decisions of Other Agencies.** The Board approved revisions that (1) clarified the policy and its procedures and (2) ensured that the sanction of Warning was included as a trigger for requiring a focused review of an institution placed on a sanction or removed from accreditation by another accrediting body.
 - 6. Collaborative Academic Arrangements.** The Board approved a major overhaul of the Commission’s current policy, “Collaborative Academic Arrangements.” The renamed policy, “Agreements Involving Joint and Academic Awards: Policy and Procedures,” pertains exclusively to agreements between institutions accredited by SACSCOC and accredited or non-accredited degree-granting institutions throughout the world for purposes of awarding academic completion awards. The revised policy applies only to dual academic and joint academic awards and addresses the reporting responsibilities and procedures of SACSCOC member institutions when developing agreements for dual academic awards and for joint academic awards
 - 7. Process for the Board of Trustees’ Review of Substantive Changes.** According to USDOE regulations, the Commission’s staff can no longer approve substantive changes involving the addition of courses or programs that represent a significant departure in content or method of delivery, a change of clock to credit hours, the establishment of an off-campus instructional site where the institution offers at least 50 percent of an educational program, the establishment of a branch campus, the addition of a permanent location at a site where the institution is conducting a teach-out program for a closed institution, a contract with another entity not eligible for Title IV funding, and any change in the established mission of the institution. Those final decisions of approval must be made by one of two officially recognized decision-making bodies of SACSCOC: the Board of Trustees or the Appeals Committee. Because the Executive Council can act on behalf of the Board when it is not in session, the approved process outlines the procedure for Council approval of the substantive changes listed above. A list of institutions approved for substantive change by the Council will be compiled and forwarded in June and December to the Board of Trustees as information. This procedure does not affect those substantive changes that are currently referred to C & R Group A, such as a change in degree level, mergers/consolidations, etc.

Actions on Accreditation

The Board of Trustees of SACS Commission on Colleges took the following actions regarding the accreditation status of institutions reviewed. The following list does not include the names of institutions required only to submit additional monitoring reports unless the review resulted in a negative or an adverse action.

The Commission reaffirmed the accreditation of the following institutions:

The American University in Dubai, Dubai, United Arab Emirates
Austin Graduate School of Theology, Austin, Texas
Christendom College, Front Royal, Virginia
Coastal Carolina University, Conway, South Carolina
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Daytona Beach, Florida
Florida Memorial University, Miami Gardens, Florida
Georgetown College, Georgetown, Kentucky
Lenoir-Rhyne University, Hickory, North Carolina
Miami International University of Art and Design, Miami, Florida

Milligan College, Milligan College, Tennessee
Millsaps College, Jackson, Mississippi
Mississippi College, Clinton, Mississippi
Mississippi Valley State University, Itta Bena, Mississippi
Oakwood University, Huntsville, Alabama
Old Dominion University, Norfolk, Virginia
Our Lady of the Lake University, San Antonio, Texas
Parker University, Dallas, Texas
(Includes approval of an exception to Core Requirement 2.7.4)
Pfeiffer University, Misenheimer, North Carolina
Radford University, Radford, Virginia
Reformed Theological Seminary, Jackson, Mississippi
Shorter University, Rome, Georgia
Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Wake Forest, North Carolina
Southern Adventist University, Collegedale, Tennessee
Southern College of Optometry, Memphis, Tennessee
Southwestern Assemblies of God University, Waxahachie, Texas

Texas A & M University, College Station, Texas
Texas A & M University System Health Science Center,
Bryan, Texas
Union Presbyterian Seminary, Richmond, Virginia
University of Houston–Clear Lake, Houston, Texas
(Includes approval of an exception to Core Requirement 2.7.4)
University of North Alabama, Florence, Alabama
The University of North Carolina at Asheville, Asheville,
North Carolina
University of Pikeville, Pikeville, Kentucky
University of South Carolina Upstate, Spartanburg,
South Carolina
Warner University, Lake Wales, Florida

The Commission reaffirmed the accreditation of the following institutions and removed them from sanction:

Houston Baptist University, Houston, Texas
(removal from Warning)
Mount Olive College, Mount Olive, North Carolina
(removal from Warning)
Montreat College, Montreat, North Carolina
(removal from Warning)

The Commission accredited the following member institutions at a more advanced degree level:

Bluefield College, Bluefield, Virginia
Moved from Level II to Level III offering the Master of Arts in Education online (Effective fall 2013)
Brevard Community College, Cocoa, Florida
Moved from Level I to Level II offering the Bachelor of Science in Organizational Management (Effective August 2013)
Mary Baldwin College, Staunton, Virginia
Moved from Level III to Level V offering the Doctor of Physical Therapy and the Doctor of Occupational Therapy (Effective June 2014)
Mississippi University for Women, Columbus, Mississippi
Moved from Level III to Level V offering the Doctor of Nursing Practice (Effective spring 2013)
Saint Leo University, Saint Leo, Florida
Moved from Level IV to Level V offering the Doctor of Business Administration in Management (Effective December 2013)
Southeastern University, Lakeland, Florida
Moved from Level III to Level V offering the Doctor of Education (Effective July 2014)

The Commission approved the following substantive changes:

Chattahoochee Valley Community College,
Phenix City, Alabama
Approved the Associate of Applied Science degree in Applied Technology
Greensboro College, Greensboro, North Carolina
Approved the Bachelor of Business Administration and Bachelor of Criminal Justice Administration degrees offered online
Houston Baptist University, Houston, Texas
Approved the following programs: Bachelor of Arts in Cinema and New Media Arts, Master of Arts in Philosophy, Certificate in Apologetics, and the Master of Arts in Apologetics.
Mary Baldwin College, Staunton, Virginia
Approved a new branch campus located in Fishersville, Virginia

Midland College, Midland, Texas
Approved the following: (1) the Associate of Arts and the Associate of Science degrees in General Studies offered at Midland High School, Lees High School, and Ozona High School, (2) Computer Graphics Technology offered at the Advanced Technology Center, and (3) the Diesel Technology program offered at the Codgell Learning Center
Parker University, Dallas, Texas
Approved Level I offering the Associate of Applied Science in Radiologic Technology
Southern University at Shreveport, Shreveport, Louisiana
Approved the Associate of Science in Business Management and the Associate of Applied Science in Health Information Technology offered through distance learning

The Commission continued the accreditation of the following institutions after an on-site review by a Substantive Change Committee:

Anderson University, Anderson, South Carolina
Review of membership at Level V offering the Doctor of Ministry
Belmont Abbey College, Belmont, North Carolina
Review of an off-campus instructional site in Charlotte, North Carolina
College of Central Florida, Ocala, Florida
Review of membership at Level II offering the Bachelor of Applied Science in Business and Organizational Management and the Bachelor of Science in Early Childhood
Florida National University, Hialeah, Florida
Review of membership at Level III offering the Master of Business Administration
Georgia College and State University, Milledgeville, Georgia
Review of membership at Level V offering the Doctor of Nursing Practice
High Point University, High Point, North Carolina
Review of membership at Level V offering the Ed.D. in Educational Leadership
Jefferson State Community College, Birmingham, Alabama
Review of the Associate of Applied Science Registered Nursing program offered at the Chilton-Clanton Center, Clanton and St. Clair-Pell City Center, Pell City, Alabama
Johnson University, Knoxville, Tennessee
Review of membership at Level V offering the Ph.D. in Leadership Studies
Medical University of South Carolina, Charleston, South Carolina
Review of off-campus instructional sites located at Hyderabad, India; Singapore; and Milton Keynes, England
Middle Tennessee State University, Murfreesboro, Tennessee
Review of the following off-campus instructional sites in Tennessee: Rockvale Middle School in Rockvale, Motlow Community College in McMinnville, Nissan Training Center in Smyrna, and the Middle Tennessee Education Center in Shelbyville
Mount Olive College, Mount Olive, North Carolina
Review of the Bachelor of Science in Nursing
North Greenville University, Tigerville, South Carolina
Review of membership at Level V offering the Doctor of Ministry

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Owensboro Community and Technical College,
Owensboro, Kentucky
*Review of an Electronic Systems Operation Technician Certificate
offered at Lewisport, Kentucky*

Savannah Technical College, Savannah, Georgia
*Review of off-campus instructional sites at Woodville-Tompkins
High School in Savannah and Fort Stewart Army Educational
Center in Fort Stewart, Georgia*

South University, Savannah, Georgia
Review of a branch campus located in Austin, Texas

Tallahassee Community College, Tallahassee, Florida
*Review of the Ghazvini Center for Healthcare Education in
Tallahassee, Florida*

University of Houston-Downtown, Houston, Texas
*Review of off-campus instructional sites at Lone Star College-
Kingwood and Lone Star College-CyFair*

University of West Florida, Pensacola, Florida
*Review of the Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering and
in Computer Engineering offered at the University of Florida
Research & Engineering Facility in Shalimar, Florida*

Virginia Highlands Community College, Abingdon,
Virginia
*Review of dual enrollment off-campus instructional sites offering
the General Education Certificate at the following locations:
Abingdon, Virginia; Chilhowie, Virginia; Mountain City,
Tennessee; Saltville, Virginia; and Bristol, Virginia*

Wade College, Dallas, Texas
*Review of membership at Level II offering the Bachelor of Arts in
Manufacturing and Design*

The Commission approved the merger/consolidations of the following institutions:

Georgia Health Sciences University, Augusta, Georgia
*Approved the consolidation/merger of Georgia Health Sciences
University with Augusta State University to be called Georgia
Regents University*

Macon State College, Macon, Georgia
*Approved the consolidation/merger of Macon State College
with Middle Georgia College to be called Middle Georgia State
College*

North Georgia College and State University, Dahlonega,
Georgia
*Approved the consolidation/merger of North Georgia College and
State University with Gainesville State College to be called the
University of North Georgia*

South Georgia College, Douglas, Georgia
*Approved the consolidation/merger of South Georgia College with
Waycross College to be called South Georgia State College*

The Commission removed the following institutions from Warning:

Austin Community College, Austin, Texas
Dabney S. Lancaster Community College,
Clifton Forge, Virginia
Edward Waters College, Jacksonville, Florida
Fort Valley State University, Fort Valley, Georgia
Grambling State University, Grambling, Louisiana
Texarkana College, Texarkana, Texas
Texas State Technical College–Harlingen,
Harlingen, Texas
Virginia Union University, Richmond, Virginia

The Commission removed the following institutions from Probation:

Chattahoochee Valley Community College, Phenix City,
Alabama
Ranger College, Ranger, Texas

Sanctions and other Negative Actions

The Commission denied membership at a more advanced degree level for the following institution:

Benedict College, Columbia, South Carolina
*Denied approval of membership at Level III because the
institution did not provide an acceptable plan and supporting
documentation to ensure that it has the capability to comply with
the following standards as they relate to the substantive change:
Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional effectiveness:
educational programs), Comprehensive Standard 3.4.6 (Practices
for awarding credit), and Comprehensive Standard 3.7.1 (Faculty
competence) of the Principles of Accreditation.*

Georgia Perimeter College, Decatur, Georgia
*Denied approval of membership at Level II because the
institution did not provide an acceptable plan and supporting
documentation to ensure that it has the capability to comply with
the following standards as they relate to the substantive change:
Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial resources), Comprehensive
Standard 3.10.1 (Financial stability), and Comprehensive
Standard 3.10.3 (Control of finances) of the Principles of
Accreditation.*

Martin Methodist College, Pulaski, Tennessee
*Denied approval of membership at Level III because the institution
did not provide an acceptable plan and supporting documentation
to ensure that it has the capability to comply with the following
standards as they relate to the substantive change: Comprehensive
Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional effectiveness: educational
programs), Comprehensive Standard 3.6.1 (Post-baccalaureate
program rigor), and Comprehensive Standard 3.7.1 (Faculty
competence) of the Principles of Accreditation.*

The Commission denied approval of the following substantive changes:

Fundacion Universidad de las Americas Puebla,
Puebla, Mexico
*Denied approval to offer the Licenciatura in Biomedical
Engineering degree program for failure to comply with
Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional effectiveness:
educational programs) and Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1
(Financial stability) of the Principles of Accreditation.*

Parker University, Dallas, Texas
*Denied approval of membership at Level III for failure to comply
with Comprehensive Standard 3.6.1 (Post-baccalaureate program
rigor) of the Principles of Accreditation.*

The Commission continued accreditation, denied reaffirmation, and placed the following institutions on Warning:

Erskine College, Due West, South Carolina
*For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement
2.5 (Institutional effectiveness), Comprehensive Standard 3.2.10
(Administrative staff evaluations), Comprehensive Standard
3.2.13 (Institution-related entities), Comprehensive Standard
3.3.1.1 (Institutional effectiveness: educational programs),
Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.2 (Institutional effectiveness:
administrative support services), Comprehensive Standard
3.3.1.3 (Institutional effectiveness: academic and student
support services), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.5 (Institutional
effectiveness: community/public service), Comprehensive
Standard 3.3.2 (Quality enhancement plan), Comprehensive
Standard 3.5.1 (General education competencies), Comprehensive
Standard 3.5.4 (Terminal degrees of faculty), Comprehensive
Standard 3.7.2 (Faculty evaluation), and Comprehensive
Standard 3.12.1 (Substantive change) of the Principles of
Accreditation.*

Memphis College of Art, Memphis, Tennessee

For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.5 (Institutional effectiveness), Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial resources), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial stability), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.2 (Institutional effectiveness: administrative support services), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.3 (Institutional effectiveness: academic and student support services), and Comprehensive Standard 3.4.7 (Consortial relationships/contractual agreements) of the Principles of Accreditation.

Mid-Continent University, Mayfield, Kentucky

For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.8 (Faculty), Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial Resources), Comprehensive Standard 3.2.9 (Personnel Appointment), and Comprehensive Standard 3.2.10 (Administrative Staff Evaluations), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional Effectiveness: Educational Programs), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.5 (Institutional Effectiveness: Community/Public Service), Comprehensive Standard 3.4.6 (Practices for Awarding Credit), Comprehensive Standard 3.4.8 (Noncredit to Credit), Comprehensive Standard 3.5.1 (General Education Competencies), Comprehensive Standard 3.7.2 (Faculty Evaluation), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial Stability), Federal Requirements 4.7 (Title IV Program Responsibilities), and Federal Requirements 4.9 (Definition of Credit Hours) of the Principles of Accreditation.

The Commission continued accreditation, denied reaffirmation, and continued the following institutions on Warning:

Interdenominational Theological Center,
Atlanta, Georgia

For twelve months for failure to comply with Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional effectiveness: educational programs), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.4 (Institutional effectiveness: research), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.5 (Institutional effectiveness: community/public service), Comprehensive Standard 3.4.7 (Consortial relationships/contractual agreements), Comprehensive Standard 3.6.3 (Institutional credits for a graduate degree), Comprehensive Standard 3.9.3 (Qualified staff), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.3 (Control of finances), and Federal Requirement 4.7 (Title IV program responsibilities) of the Principles of Accreditation.

Louisiana College, Pineville, Louisiana

For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.5 (Institutional effectiveness), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional effectiveness: educational programs), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.2 (Institutional effectiveness: administrative support services), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.3 (Institutional effectiveness: academic and student support services), Comprehensive Standard 3.5.1 (General education competencies), and Comprehensive Standard 3.7.1 (Faculty competence) of the Principles of Accreditation.

The Commission continued accreditation, denied reaffirmation, and placed the following institution on Probation:

Virginia Interment College, Bristol, Virginia

For six months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial resources) and Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial stability) of the Principles of Accreditation.

The Commission continued the accreditation of the following institutions and placed them on Warning:

Emmanuel Christian Seminary, Johnson City, Tennessee

For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.2 (Governing board), Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial resources), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial stability), and Comprehensive Standard 3.10.3 (Control of finances) of the Principles of Accreditation.

Georgia Perimeter College, Decatur, Georgia

For six months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial resources), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1

(Financial stability), and Comprehensive Standard 3.10.3 (Control of finances) of the Principles of Accreditation.

Navarro College, Corsicana, Texas

For six months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.8 (Faculty), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.2 (Financial aid audits), and Federal Requirement 4.7 (Title IV program responsibilities) of the Principles of Accreditation.

Orangeburg-Calhoun Technical College, Orangeburg,
South Carolina

For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.8 (Faculty) of the Principles of Accreditation.

Southwest Virginia Community College, Cedar Bluff,
Virginia

For six months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.8 (Faculty) of the Principles of Accreditation.

Texas College, Tyler, Texas

For six months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.8 (Faculty) and Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional effectiveness: educational programs) of the Principles of Accreditation.

University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Virginia

For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.2 (Governing board) and Comprehensive Standard 3.7.5 (Faculty role in governance) of the Principles of Accreditation.

Wytheville Community College, Wytheville, Virginia

For six months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.8 (Faculty) of the Principles of Accreditation.

The Commission continued the accreditation of the following institution and placed it on Probation:

Florida A & M University, Tallahassee, Florida

For twelve months for failure to comply with Principle 1.1 (Integrity), Comprehensive Standard 3.2.8 (Qualified administrative/academic officers), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.3 (Control of finances), and Comprehensive Standard 3.11.2 (Institutional environment) of the Principles of Accreditation.

The Commission continued accreditation for good cause and placed the following institutions on Probation:

Jarvis Christian College, Hawkins, Texas

For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial resources), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial stability), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.3 (Control of finances) (formerly Comprehensive Standard 3.10.4), and Federal Requirement 4.7 (Title IV program responsibilities) of the Principles of Accreditation.

Saint Vincent de Paul Regional Seminary, Boynton
Beach, Florida

For twelve months for failure to comply with Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional effectiveness: educational programs) and Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.5 (Institutional effectiveness: community/public service) of the Principles of Accreditation.

Southern University and A & M College at Baton Rouge,
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

For six months for failure to comply with Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional effectiveness: educational programs) of the Principles of Accreditation.

The Commission continued accreditation for good cause and continued the following institutions on Probation:

Fisk University, Nashville, Tennessee

For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.2 (Governing board), Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial resources), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial stability),

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Comprehensive Standard 3.10.3 (Control of finances) (formerly Comprehensive Standard 3.10.4), and Federal Requirement 4.7 (Title IV program responsibilities) of the Principles of Accreditation.

Greensboro College, Greensboro, North Carolina

For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial Resources), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial Stability) and Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional Effectiveness: education programs) of the Principles of Accreditation.

Adverse Actions

The Commission removed the following institutions from membership:

Florida Christian College, Kissimmee, Florida

For failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial Resources) and Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial Stability) of the Principles of Accreditation. (Florida Christian College submitted a notification to appeal thereby maintaining its accreditation on Probation status. The Appeals Committee met on February 20, 2013, and voted to affirm the decision of the SACSCOC Board of Trustees taken on December 10, 2012. Further, the Committee determined that Florida Christian College, removed from accreditation based solely on finances, failed to produce evidence that the new financial information presented since December 10, 2012, was verifiable and material to the Board's adverse action. Therefore, the Appeals Committee found that testimony and documents presented at the time of the appeal did not provide an adequate basis to support a decision to remand. The removal of the accreditation of Florida Christian College is effective February 20, 2013, pending Court Order.)

Lon Morris College, Jacksonville, Texas

For failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.5 (Institutional effectiveness), Core Requirement 2.6 (Continuous operation), Core Requirement 2.7.2 (Program Content), Core Requirement 2.7.3 (General education), Core Requirement 2.8 (Faculty), Core Requirement 2.9 (Learning resources and services), Core Requirement 2.10 (Student support services), Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial resources), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial stability), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.2 (Financial aid audits), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.3 (Control of finances), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.4 (Control of sponsored research/ external funds), and Federal Requirement 4.7 (Title IV program responsibilities) of the Principles of Accreditation. (Institution did not appeal the decision of SACSCOC Board of Trustees to remove accreditation. The removal of the accreditation of Lon Morris College is effective December 10, 2012.)

In accordance with the "Standing Rules of the Commission on Colleges," members of the Board abstained from the vote on the accreditation status of their respective institutions, affiliated institutions, and any other recognized conflicts of interest.

Chair Hilpert asked John Russell, Chair of the Committee on Fifth-Year Interim Reports, to report on the reviews of 33 Track A institutions that make up the 2017 reaffirmation class. He reported that the standards most cited were Core Requirement 2.8; Comprehensive Standards 3.3.1.1, 3.4.11, 3.13; and Federal Requirement 4.1.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

Minutes of the Business Meeting of the College Delegate Assembly of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges - December 11, 2012

The College Delegate Assembly of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) held its Annual Business Meeting at the Hilton Anatole, in Dallas, Texas, on December 11, 2012, at 10:30 a.m. Chair John M. Hilpert, President of Delta State University, presided. Dr. Larry L. Earvin, President of Huston-Tillotson University, served as Vice Chair.

Dr. Charles Edward Meadows, President of Pensacola State College, introduced the meeting's speaker, Dr. Sanford

C. Shugart, President of Valencia College, whose topic was "Rethinking the College Completion Agenda: Principles that Move the Needle."

Following the speaker's presentation, Chair Hilpert convened the business portion of the session and reported on the actions taken by the Executive Council and SACSCOC Board of Trustees during their meetings December 7-10, 2012. (*Refer to the December 10, 2012, meeting of the Board of Trustees for the minutes describing these actions.*)

Action on Nominations

Chair Hilpert explained the process for nominating individuals to the Commission's Board of Trustees. It is an open process whereby the chief executive officers (college delegates) are invited to submit nominees to their respective state Board of Trustees who, in turn, submit a slate of nominees to the Commission's Nominating Committee.

Vice Chair Earvin read the report of the Nominating Committee of the Commission on Colleges. The College Delegate Assembly elected the following to serve on the SACSCOC Board of Trustees:

Class of 2015

(Terms beginning January 1, 2013, and concluding December 31, 2015)

MaryLou Apple, President, Motlow State Community College, Lynchburg, Tennessee

Ronnie Booth, President, Tri-County Technical College, Pendleton, South Carolina

Trina B. Boteler, Vice President for Academic Affairs, Chattahoochee Technical College, Marietta, Georgia

M. Christopher Brown II, President, Alcorn State University, Alcorn State University, Mississippi

W. Todd Carlisle, Sirote & Permutt, Birmingham, Alabama (Public Member)

Mary Ann Coleman, President and CEO, Louisiana Association of Independent Colleges & Universities, Baton Rouge, Louisiana (Public Member)

Benito Flores, Dean, Division of Engineering and Technologies, Universidad de Monterrey, San Pedro Garza Garcia, Mexico

Dana L. Gibson, President, Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, Texas

Judy Gooch, Owner, Judy Gooch Interiors, Oak Ridge, Tennessee (Public Member)

Nancy Oliver Gray, President, Hollins University, Roanoke, Virginia

Carl M. Hite, President, Cleveland State Community College, Cleveland, Tennessee

Katherine M. Johnson, President, Pasco-Hernando Community College, New Port Richey, Florida

Daniel W. Jones, Chancellor, University of Mississippi, University, Mississippi

Andrea S. Mayfield, Vice President for Institutional Research and Effectiveness, East Mississippi Community College, Scooba, Mississippi

Johnette McKown, President, McLennan Community College, Waco, Texas

Charles Edward Meadows, President, Pensacola State College, Pensacola, Florida

Timothy S. Mescon, President, Columbus State University, Columbus, Georgia

Charles R. Mojock, President, Lake-Sumter State College, Leesburg, Florida

Richard W. Phillips, President, Southern College of Optometry, Memphis, Tennessee

Joseph C. Rallo, Vice President for Academic Affairs, Texas Tech University System, Lubbock, Texas

Brenda Hyde Rogers, Consultant, Chapel Hill, North Carolina (Public Member)

Mary Evans Sias, President, Kentucky State University, Frankfort, Kentucky

T. Andrew Westmoreland, President, Samford University, Birmingham, Alabama

Class of 2014

(Filling a vacancy; eligible for reelection in 2014 for a second term)

Brian E. Noland, President, East Tennessee State University, Johnson City, Tennessee

Class of 2013

(Filling a vacancy; eligible for reelection in 2013 for a first complete term)

Sandra S. Harper, President, Our Lady of the Lake College, Baton Rouge, Louisiana

The College Delegate Assembly elected the following to serve on the Board of Trustees of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools:

Faculty Representative to the SACS Board of Trustees

Walter Harris, Jr., Distinguished University Professor and Professor of Music, Loyola University New Orleans, New Orleans, Louisiana

The College Delegate Assembly elected the following to the Appeals Committee of the College Delegate Assembly:

To Serve Three-Year Terms as Members of the Appeals Committee Class of 2015

William T. Abare, Jr., President, Flagler College, St. Augustine, Florida

Karen A. Bowyer, President, Dyersburg State Community College, Dyersburg, Tennessee

Charles Paul Conn, President, Lee University, Cleveland, Tennessee

Mark R. Foley, President, University of Mobile, Mobile, Alabama

To Serve a Three-Year Term as Appeals Hearing Officer

Oren Griffin, Associate Dean for Academic Affairs and Associate Professor of Law, Mercer School of Law, Mercer University, Macon, Georgia

Chair Hilpert referred the membership to the list of SACSCOC Board of Trustees elected on Monday to serve on the 2013 Executive Council. The report was presented to the College Delegate Assembly as information. He recognized and thanked the following members of the 2012 Nominating Committee of the Commission: M. Christopher Brown II, President, Alcorn State University, Alcorn State, Mississippi (*Chair*); C. Paul Conn, President, Lee University, Cleveland, Tennessee; Tracy Fitzsimmons, President, Shenandoah University, Winchester, Virginia; Ann Stuart, Chancellor & President, Texas Woman's University, Denton, Texas; and William D. Underwood, President, Mercer University, Macon, Georgia.

Report on SACSCOC Accreditation of Institutions

Vice Chair Earvin read the reports from SACSCOC Board of Trustees regarding accreditation actions taken on June 21, 2012, and December 10, 2012. The reports were read as information. (*Refer to the June 21, 2012, and December 10, 2012, Minutes of the SACSCOC Board of Trustees.*)

Leadership Transition

Dr. Belle S. Wheelan, President of SACSCOC, thanked Dr. John Hilpert for his three years of service as Chair of SACSCOC Board of Trustees. She commended him for his leadership, wisdom, and support and asked the Assembly to join her in expressing their appreciation. At the conclusion of the ovation, Dr. Hilpert thanked the membership for the opportunity to serve as leader and for their support and confidence in him during his tenure.

Chair Hilpert introduced Dr. Larry Earvin, President of Huston-Tillotson University and Chair-elect. He indicated that he had had the privilege of working with Dr. Earvin this past year during his service as Vice Chair and that he came to this position of leadership with experience and knowledge in the work of the Commission. He expressed that his experience and breadth in higher education will serve the membership well and that it was an honor to place the leadership of this organization in his very capable hands.

Dr. Earvin thanked Dr. Hilpert for his kind words and the membership for their confidence in his leadership. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:50 a.m. after announcing that the College Delegates would reconvene December 2013 in Atlanta, Georgia.

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Appeals Proceedings of the College Delegate Assembly – August 20, 2012

On June 21, 2012, the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) Board of Trustees took action to terminate the accreditation of St. Paul's College located in Lawrenceville, Virginia, citing failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial Resources), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.2 (Institutional Effectiveness: administrative support services), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.3 (Institutional Effectiveness: academic and student

support services), Comprehensive Standard 3.5.4 (Terminal Degrees of Faculty), and Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial Stability) of the *Principles of Accreditation*. Following notification of the action, the institution appealed the decision of the Board of Trustees. On August 20, 2012, the Appeals Committee confirmed the decision of the SACSCOC Board of Trustees to remove the accreditation of St. Paul's College.

Minutes of the Executive Session of SACSCOC Board of Trustees – June 20, 2013

The SACSCOC Board of Trustees met in Executive Session on Thursday, June 20, 2013, at 9:30 a.m. at the Charleston Place Hotel in Charleston, South Carolina. Dr. Larry Earvin, Chair of SACSCOC Board of Trustees and President of Huston-Tillotson University, presided. Dr. Andrew Westmoreland, President of Samford University, served as acting Vice Chair.

Vice Chair Westmoreland called the roll. The following Board members were in attendance: Rebecca G. Adams, Professor of Sociology and Gerontology, University of North Carolina at Greensboro, Greensboro, North Carolina; James A. Anderson, Chancellor, Fayetteville State University, Fayetteville, North Carolina; Pamela D. Anglin, President, Paris Junior College, Paris, Texas; MaryLou Apple, President, Motlow State Community College, Lynchburg, Tennessee; Randolph E. Berridge, President, Florida High Tech Corridor Council, Inc., Heathrow, Florida (*Public Representative*); Robert G. Boehmer, President, East Georgia State College, Swainsboro, Georgia; A. Frank Bonner, President, Gardner-Webb University, Boiling Springs, North Carolina; Ronnie L. Booth, President, Tri-County Technical College, Pendleton, South Carolina; Stephen R. Briggs, President, Berry College, Mount Berry, Georgia; Timothy S. Brophy, Director of Institutional Assessment and Professor of Music Education, University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida; Jimmy M. Cairo, Dean, School of Allied Health Professions, LSU Health Sciences Center, New Orleans, Louisiana; W. Todd Carlisle, Attorney at Law, Sirote & Permutt, Birmingham, Alabama (*Public Representative*); Mary Ann Coleman, President & CEO Louisiana Association of Independent Colleges and Universities, Baton Rouge, Louisiana (*Public Representative*); Larry L. Earvin, President and CEO, Huston-Tillotson University, Austin, Texas; Benito Flores, Dean, Division of Engineering and Technologies, Universidad de Monterrey, Mexico; Michael A. Gerber, President, Cross Channel Initiatives, Atlanta, Georgia (*Public Representative*); Dana L. Gibson, President, Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, Texas; Michael A. Gillette, President, Bioethical Services of Virginia, Lynchburg, Virginia (*Public Representative*); Judy T. Gooch, Oak Ridge, Tennessee (*Public Representative*); Nancy Oliver Gray, President, Hollins University, Roanoke, Virginia; M. Dwaine Greene, Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost, Campbell University, Buies Creek, North Carolina; Kimberly B. Hall, Executive Vice President, South College, Knoxville, Tennessee; Sandra S. Harper, President, Our Lady of the Lake College, Baton Rouge, Louisiana; Billy C. Hawkins, President, Talladega College, Talladega, Alabama; Vicki P. Hawsey, President, Wallace State Community College, Hanceville, Alabama; Karen P. Helm, Director, University Planning and Analysis, North Carolina State University, Raleigh, North

Carolina; Jairy C. Hunter, Jr., President, Charleston Southern University, Charleston, South Carolina; Katherine M. Johnson, President, Pasco-Hernando Community College, New Port Richey, Florida; Sandra J. Jordan, Chancellor, University of South Carolina – Aiken, Aiken, South Carolina; Mary P. Kirk, President, Montgomery Community College, Troy, North Carolina; James S. Klauber, President, Owensboro Community and Technical College, Owensboro, Kentucky; William T. Luckey, Jr., President, Lindsey Wilson College, Columbia, Kentucky; Andrea S. Mayfield, Vice President for Institutional Research and Effectiveness, East Mississippi Community College, Scooba, Mississippi; Terry M. McConathy, Vice President for Academic Affairs, Dean of the Graduate School, Louisiana Tech University, Ruston, Louisiana; Betty A. McCrohan, President, Wharton County Junior College, Wharton, Texas; F. Craig McDaniel, President, Georgia Northwestern Technical College, Rome, Georgia; Johnette McKown, President, McLennan Community College, Waco, Texas; Charles Edward Meadows, President, Pensacola State College, Pensacola, Florida; Charles R. Mojock, President, Lake-Sumter State College, Leesburg, Florida; Nancy B. Moody, President, Tusculum College, Greeneville, Tennessee; Brian E. Noland, President, East Tennessee State University, Johnson City, Tennessee; Darrell F. Parker, Dean, College of Business, Western Carolina University, Cullowhee, North Carolina; Richard W. Phillips, President, Southern College of Optometry, Memphis, Tennessee; Joseph C. Rallo, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, Texas Tech University System, Lubbock, Texas; Rosalind Reichard, President, Emory & Henry College, Emory, Virginia; Brenda Hyde Rogers, Education Consultant, Chapel Hill, North Carolina (*Public Representative*); Carla D. Sanderson, Provost and Executive Vice President, Union University, Jackson, Tennessee; E. Joseph Savoie, President, The University of Louisiana at Lafayette, Lafayette, Louisiana; Edward L. Schrader, President, Brenau University, Gainesville, Georgia; Mary Evans Sias, President, Kentucky State University, Frankfort, Kentucky; Wilson Stone, House of Representatives, Kentucky Legislature, Scottsville, Kentucky (*Public Representative*); Linda K. Thomas-Glover, President, Eastern Shore Community College, Melfa, Virginia; John G. Thornell, Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost, University of North Alabama, Florence, Alabama; Andrew Westmoreland, President, Samford University, Birmingham, Alabama; Evans P. Whitaker, President, Anderson University, Anderson, South Carolina; Susan A. Winsor, President, Aiken Technical College, Aiken, South Carolina; and Daniel A. Wubah, Vice President and Dean for Undergraduate Education, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Blacksburg, Virginia.

The following Board members were not in attendance: David L. Beckley, President, Rust College, Holly Springs, Mississippi; Trina B. Boteler, Executive Vice President, Marietta Campus, Chattahoochee Technical College, Marietta, Georgia; Glenn F. Boyce, President, Holmes Community College, Goodman, Mississippi; M. Christopher Brown II, President, Alcorn State University, Lorman, Mississippi; Kelvin Buck, Mississippi House of Representatives, Holly Springs, Mississippi (*Public Representative*); Carol Z. Garrison, President Emerita, The University of Alabama at Birmingham, Birmingham, Alabama; Eric A. Hayler, AS2 Board Member, Boiling Springs, South Carolina (*Public Representative*); Billy D. Hilyer, President, Faulkner University, Montgomery, Alabama; Carl M. Hite, President, Cleveland State Community College, Cleveland, Tennessee; William G. Ingram, President, Durham Technical

Community College, Durham, North Carolina; Daniel W. Jones, Chancellor, University of Mississippi, University, Mississippi; Mark E. Keenum, President, Mississippi State University, Mississippi State, Mississippi; Flavius C. Killebrew, President/CEO, Texas A&M University - Corpus Christi, Corpus Christi, Texas; Timothy S. Mescon, President, Columbus State University, Columbus, Georgia; Martin H. Posey, Associate Vice Chancellor Dean of Undergraduate Studies, University of North Carolina at Wilmington, Wilmington, North Carolina; and Martha D. Saunders, Provost, University of West Florida, Pensacola, Florida.

The Board approved the minutes of its December 2012 Executive Business Meeting. Copies of the minutes of the December 2012 and March 2013 Executive Council meetings were presented to the Board as information.

Report from the Chair

Chair Earvin reported that during its meetings on June 18-19, 2013, the Executive Council discussed or took action on the following items:

1. Approved the 2013-2014 budget of the Commission on Colleges.
2. Received a report from the Commission's new investment company, Fifth-Third Investment Management Group.
3. Reviewed staff reports on the following: (1) Small College Initiative session held on April 16, 2013, that focused on the relationship of chief executive officers and boards of trustees; (2) substantive change activities; (3) training and research activities; (4) Commission staff Technology Committee, (4) a report from the Peer Review Advisory Board which examined possible exceptions to requirements in the *Principles* for international institutions that cannot meet SACSCOC standards due to national laws; and (5) a report from the Lumina Foundation for Education.
4. Reviewed the modified SACSCOC *Personnel Handbook* and called for additional revisions and action in December.
5. Deferred action on proposed revisions to the Commission Guideline "Advertising, Student Recruitment, and Representation of Accredited Status." The staff was asked to reconstitute the document so that it distinguishes between points of policy and of guidelines.
6. Reviewed the AAU and ACE driven statement on student

assessment, called "Principles for Effective Assessment of Student Achievement." In the past, the Council had received, but not endorsed, the statement due to an exception that accrediting bodies would give more flexibility with regard to measuring goals to those institutions with a record of stability and successful performance. With those particular statements eliminated, the Council endorsed the document that signifies a substantive and politically important statement of common ground on the effective assessment of student achievement.

7. Announced that the Annual Meeting will be held December 6-10 (Fri-Tues) in Atlanta, Georgia, at the Marriott Marquis Hotel.
8. Evaluated and extended the contract of President Belle Wheelan.

The Chair also recognized the retirement of Board members Rosalind Reichard and Craig McDaniel and expressed his appreciation, on behalf of the membership, for their many contributions to the work of the Commission.

The Chair called on SACSCOC legal counsel to update the Board on current litigation and other legal matters. Mr. Patrick McKee reported on the litigation status of St. Paul's College and Florida Christian College, and a case on open records access to a SACSCOC institution in Florida.

Report from the President

Dr. Belle S. Wheelan, President of SACS Commission on Colleges, thanked Board members and staff for their support and assistance this past year. She expressed appreciation to the Council and C & R readers for their diligence and time in

preparing for and making decisions regarding policies and the accreditation of institutions. She presented the Commission's budget and thanked the Council for their continuing support of her leadership.

Actions on Accreditation

The SACSCOC Board of Trustees approved the following actions of the Committees on Compliance and Reports and the Executive Council. The following list *does not include* the names of institutions required only to submit additional monitoring reports, unless the review resulted in a negative or an adverse action.

The Commission reaffirmed the accreditation of the following institutions:

Amarillo College, Amarillo, Texas
Austin Community College, Austin, Texas
Bladen Community College, Dublin, North Carolina
Bluefield College, Bluefield, Virginia
(Reaffirmed at Level II)

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Brookhaven College, Dallas, Texas
 Cedar Valley College, Lancaster, Texas
 College of the Mainland, Texas City, Texas
 Columbia State Community College, Columbia, Tennessee
 Dalton State College, Dalton, Georgia
 Davidson County Community College, Lexington, North Carolina
 Eastfield College, Mesquite, Texas
 El Centro College, Dallas, Texas
 Forsyth Technical Community College, Winston-Salem, North Carolina
 Gateway Community and Technical College, Florence, Kentucky
 Georgia Piedmont Technical College, Clarkston, Georgia
 Georgia Northwestern Technical College, Rome, Georgia
 Greenville Technical College, Greenville, South Carolina
 John Tyler Community College, Chester, Virginia
 Johnston Community College, Smithfield, North Carolina
 Lane College, Jackson, Tennessee
 LeMoyne-Owen College, Memphis, Tennessee
 Miles College, Fairfield, Alabama
 Mountain View College, Dallas, Texas
 North Georgia Technical College, Clarkesville, Georgia
 North Lake College, Irving, Texas
 Northeast Texas Community College, Mt. Pleasant, Texas
 Pamlico Community College, Grantsboro, North Carolina
 Paris Junior College, Paris, Texas
 Piedmont Community College, Roxboro, North Carolina
 Pitt Community College, Winterville, North Carolina
 Richland College, Dallas, Texas
 Santa Fe College, Gainesville, Florida
 South Piedmont Community College, Polkton, North Carolina
 Southeastern Technical College, Vidalia, Georgia
 Southwestern University, Georgetown, Texas
 St. Joseph Seminary College, St. Benedict, Louisiana
 Texas State Technical College Waco, Waco, Texas
 Vance Granville Community College, Henderson, North Carolina
 West Georgia Technical College, Waco, Georgia
 Wiley College, Marshall, Texas

The Commission reaffirmed the accreditation of the following institutions and removed them from sanction:

Edison State College, Fort Myers, Florida
(Removed from Probation)
 Southern University at Shreveport, Shreveport, Louisiana
(Removed from Warning)

The Commission granted initial accreditation to the following institutions:

Galen College of Nursing, Louisville, Kentucky
 (Level I)
 Texas A & M University-Central Texas, Killeen, Texas
 (Level IV) *(Separately accredited from Tarleton State University)*
 University of North Texas at Dallas, Dallas, Texas
 (Level III) *(Separately accredited from the University of North Texas)*

The Commission granted initial candidacy to the following institution:

(Candidacy is effective June 20, 2013)
 H. Councill Trenholm State Technical College, Montgomery, Alabama (Level I)

The Commission authorized an Accreditation Committee for the following institution:

Texas A & M University San Antonio, San Antonio, Texas
(Currently accredited as a campus of Texas A&M University – Kingsville, but seeking separate accreditation)

The Commission accredited the following member institutions at a new or a more advanced degree level:

Carson-Newman University, Jefferson City, Tennessee
Moved from Level III to Levels IV and V to offer the Education Specialist (Ed.S.) and the Doctor of Education (Ed.D.) degrees (Effective August 2013)
 Coastal Carolina University, Conway, South Carolina
Moved from Level III to Level V to offer the Ph.D. in Marine Science (Effective Fall 2014)
 Florida Southern College, Lakeland, Florida
Moved from Level III to Level V to offer the Doctor of Nursing Practice and Doctor of Education in Educational Leadership (Effective Fall 2014)
 Martin Methodist College, Pulaski, Tennessee
Moved from Level II to Level III to offer the Master of Business Administration (Effective May 2014)
 Mount Olive College, Mount Olive, North Carolina
Moved from Level II to Level III to offer the Master of Business Administration (Effective Fall 2013)
 Our Lady of Holy Cross College, New Orleans, Louisiana
Moved from Level III to Level V to offer the Ph.D. in Counselor Education (Effective Fall 2013)
 Parker University, Dallas, Texas
Approved at Level III to offer the Master of Business Administration in Health Care Management (Currently accredited at Levels I, II, and V) (Effective Fall 2013)
 Rollins College, Winter Park, Florida
Moved from Level III to Level V to offer the Executive Directorate in Business Administration (Effective Fall 2013)

The Commission approved the following substantive changes:

Emmanuel Christian Seminary, Johnson City, Tennessee
Approved the Master of Christian Ministries delivered both on-campus and using online technology (Effective Fall 2013)
 Mount Olive College, Mount Olive, North Carolina
Approved offering distance learning (Effective Fall 2013)
 Texas A & M University, College Station, Texas
Approved the acquisition of the Texas Wesleyan University School of Law (Effective August 2013)
 University of South Florida Sarasota-Manatee, Sarasota, Florida
Approved (1) addition of lower-level general education program, (2) lower level course work for current bachelor degrees, (3) the Associate of Arts Certificate, and (4) revision of mission (Effective August 2013)

The Commission continued the accreditation of the following institutions after a Substantive Change Committee reviewed the approved change:

Atlanta Metropolitan State College, Atlanta, Georgia
Review of membership at Level II offering the Bachelor of Science in Biology

Bauder College, Atlanta, Georgia

Review of the Associate of Science in Nursing and the Licensed Practical Nurse

Belhaven University, Jackson, Mississippi

Review of the following off-campus instructional sites reviewed as part of the Fifth-Year Interim Report: Shadowood Office Park, Atlanta, Georgia; Glenwood Avenue, Dalton, Georgia; Chestnut Street, Chattanooga, Tennessee; Desoto, Mississippi; and Jackson Le-Fleur, Mississippi.

Catawba College, Salisbury, North Carolina

Review of an off-campus instructional site located at Central Piedmont Community College in Charlotte, North Carolina

Coker College, Hartsville, South Carolina

Review of membership at Level III offering the Master of Science in College Athletic Administration.

East Georgia State College, Swainsboro, Georgia

Review of membership at Level II offering the Bachelor of Science in Biology

Florida Gateway College, Lake City, Florida

Review of membership at Level II offering the Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Gardner-Webb University, Boiling Springs, North Carolina

Review of the following off-campus instructional sites in North Carolina reviewed as part of the Fifth-Year Interim Report: Ashbrook High School, Gastonia; Enka High School, Candler; and North Henderson High, Hendersonville

Lake-Sumter State College, Leesburg, Florida

Review of an off-campus instructional site located at Villages Charter High School in The Villages, Florida

Limestone College, Gaffney, South Carolina

Review of membership at Level III offering the Master of Business Administration

Lone Star College System, The Woodlands, Texas

Review of the University Park branch campus

McMurry University, Abilene, Texas

Review of membership at Level III offering the Master of Science in Nursing

Murray State University, Murray, Kentucky

Review of membership at Level V offering the Doctor of Nursing Practice

North Florida Community College, Madison, Florida

Review of the following two new off-campus Florida instructional sites: Suwannee-Hamilton Technical Center in Live Oak, and Taylor Technical Institute in Perry

Piedmont College, Demorest, Georgia

Review of the following off-campus instructional sites in Georgia reviewed as part of the Fifth-Year Interim Report: Bartow County Learning Center in Cartersville, Baycreek Elementary School, Berkman High School, and Forsyth County BOE

St. Catharine College, St. Catharine, Kentucky

Review of membership at Level III offering the Master of Arts in Leadership

South Florida State College, Avon Park, Florida

Review of membership at Level II offering the Bachelor of Applied Science in Supervision and Management offered through distance delivery

South Georgia State College, Douglas, Georgia

Review of the merger/consolidation of South Georgia College with Waycross College, now called South Georgia State College (Implemented December 2012)

South University, Savannah, Georgia

Review of a new branch campus: South University—Cleveland Branch Campus

Tri-County Technical College, Pendleton, South Carolina

Review of the following off-campus instructional sites in South Carolina reviewed as part of the Fifth-Year Interim Report:

Daniel High School, Central; Pickens High School, Pickens; and Wren High School, Piedmont

University of New Orleans, New Orleans, Louisiana

Review of a change of governance from the Louisiana State University System to the University of Louisiana System

The Commission approved the mergers/consolidations of the following institutions:

Central Georgia Technical College, Macon, Georgia

The merger/consolidation of Central Georgia Technical College and Middle Georgia Technical College to be called Central Georgia Technical College (Effective July 2013)

Johnson University, Knoxville, Tennessee

The merger/consolidation of Johnson University with Florida Christian College, Kissimmee, Florida, to be called Johnson University. (Effective July 2013)

Louisiana Delta Community College, Monroe, Louisiana

The merger/consolidation of Louisiana Delta Community College with Northeast Louisiana Technical College to be called Louisiana Delta Community College (Effective July 2013)

South Louisiana Community College, Lafayette, Louisiana

The merger/consolidation of South Louisiana Community College with Acadiana Technical College to be called South Louisiana Community College (Effective July 2013)

Texas A & M University, College Station, Texas

The merger/consolidation of Texas A & M University and Texas A & M Health Science Center to be called Texas A & M University (Effective July 2013)

The Commission removed the following institutions from Warning:

Birmingham-Southern College, Birmingham, Alabama

Fundacion Universidad de las Americas Puebla, Puebla, Mexico

Midland College, Midland, Texas

Navarro College, Corsicana, Texas

Southwest Virginia Community College, Richlands, Virginia

Texas College, Tyler, Texas

Wytheville Community College, Wytheville, Virginia

The Commission removed the following institutions from Probation:

Central Virginia Community College, Lynchburg, Virginia

Laredo Community College, Laredo, Texas

Southern University and A & M College at Baton Rouge, Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Sanctions and other Negative Actions

The Commission denied authorization of a Candidacy Committee to the following institutions:

Dallas Christian College, Dallas, Texas

Denied authorization of a Candidacy Committee for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.8 (Faculty), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional Effectiveness: educational programs, to include student learning outcomes), and Federal Requirement 4.7 (Title IV program responsibilities) of the Principles of Accreditation.

Northeast Lakeview College, Universal City, Texas

Denied authorization of a Candidacy Committee for failure to comply with Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional Effectiveness: educational programs, to include student learning outcomes), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.2 (Institutional

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Effectiveness: administrative support services), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.3 (Institutional Effectiveness: academic and student support services), and Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.5 (Institutional Effectiveness: community/public service within its mission) of the Principles of Accreditation.

The Commission denied membership at a new or more advanced degree level for the following institutions because each of the institutions failed to provide an acceptable plan and supporting documentation to ensure that it has the capability to comply with the standards cited as they relate to the substantive change:

American College of Acupuncture & Oriental Medicine, Houston, Texas

Denied approval of membership at Level V to offer the Doctor of Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine for failure to comply with Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1. (Institutional Effectiveness: educational programs, to include student learning outcomes), Comprehensive Standard 3.4.7 (Consortial relationships/contractual agreements), and Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial stability) of the Principles of Accreditation.

Edward Waters College, Jacksonville, Florida

Denied approval of membership at new degree level and of off-campus instructional site located in Atlanta, Georgia, to offer the professional certificate in Orthodontics for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.1 (Degree-granting Authority), Core Requirement 2.4 (Institutional Mission), Core Requirement 2.7.4 (Course work for Degrees), Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial Resources), Core Requirement 2.11.2 (Physical Resources), Comprehensive Standard 3.4.7 (Consortial/contractual agreements), Comprehensive Standard 3.4.9 (Academic support services), Comprehensive Standard 3.8.1 (Learning/information resources), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.3 (Control of finances), and Comprehensive Standard 3.10.4 (Control of sponsored research/external funds) of the Principles of Accreditation.

Houston Baptist University, Houston, Texas

Denied approval of membership at Level V to offer the Ph.D. in Philosophy for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.7.2 (Program Content), Core Requirement 2.8 (Faculty), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional Effectiveness: educational programs, to include student learning outcomes), Comprehensive Standard 3.6.1 (Post-baccalaureate program rigor), and Comprehensive Standard 3.8.1 (Learning/information resources) of the Principles of Accreditation.

The Commission denied approval of the following substantive changes:

Fundacion Universidad de las Americas Puebla, Puebla, Mexico

Denied approval of the Licenciatura in Digital Animation and in Biomedical Engineering for failure to comply with Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional Effectiveness: educational programs, to include student learning outcomes) and Comprehensive Standard 3.7.1 (Faculty competence) of the Principles of Accreditation.

Mid-Continent University, Mayfield, Kentucky

Denied approval to offer 50 percent or more of the Master of Science in Human Resource Management at the following off-campus instructional sites located in Illinois: John A. Logan College, Carterville; Shawnee Community College, Ullin; Southeastern Illinois Community College, Harrisburg; and Rend Lake College, Ina, for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.8 (Faculty), Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial Resources), and Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial stability) of the Principles of Accreditation.

Montreat College, Montreat, North Carolina

Denied approval of the off-campus instructional site at Western Piedmont Community College, Morganton, North Carolina, for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.8 (Faculty) of the Principles of Accreditation.

The Commission continued accreditation, denied reaffirmation, and placed the following institutions on Warning:

El Paso County Community College District, El Paso, Texas

For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.8 (Faculty), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional effectiveness: educational programs), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.2 (Institutional effectiveness: administrative support services) of the Principles of Accreditation.

Lamar State College – Port Arthur, Port Arthur, Texas

For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.8 (Faculty) and Comprehensive Standard 3.4.7 (Consortial relationships/contractual agreements) of the Principles of Accreditation.

The Commission continued accreditation, denied reaffirmation, and continued the following institutions on Warning:

Georgia Perimeter College, Decatur, Georgia

For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial resources), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial stability), and Comprehensive Standard 3.10.3 (Control of finances) of the Principles of Accreditation

Newberry College, Newberry, South Carolina

For six months for failure to comply with Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial stability) of the Principles of Accreditation.

The Commission continued accreditation of the following institutions and placed them on Warning:

Averett University, Danville, Virginia

For twelve months for failure to comply with Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional effectiveness: educational programs) of the Principles of Accreditation.

Florida Keys Community College, Key West, Florida

For twelve months for failure to comply with Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial stability), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.3 (Control of finances), and Comprehensive Standard 3.10.4 (Control of sponsored research/external funds) of the Principles of Accreditation

Montreat College, Montreat, North Carolina

For six months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.8 (Faculty) of the Principles of Accreditation.

Nicholls State University, Thibodaux, Louisiana

For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.8 (Faculty) and Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional effectiveness: educational programs) of the Principles of Accreditation

Shorter University, Rome, Georgia

For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.8 (Faculty) and Comprehensive Standard 3.7.1 (Faculty competence) of the Principles of Accreditation.

South Carolina State University, Orangeburg, South Carolina

For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.2 (Governance), Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial Resources), Comprehensive Standard 3.2.3 (Board Conflict of Interest), Comprehensive Standard 3.2.6 (Board/Administration/Distinction), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial Stability), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.3 (Control of Finances), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.4 (Control of Sponsored Research/External Funds), and Federal Requirement 4.7 (Title IV program responsibilities) of the Principles of Accreditation.

The University of North Carolina, School of the Arts, Winston-Salem, North Carolina

For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.8 (Faculty), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional effectiveness: educational programs), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.2 (Quality enhancement plan), Comprehensive Standard 3.13 (Complaint Procedures against the Commission or its Accredited Institutions), and Federal Requirement 4.5 (Student complaints) of the Principles of Accreditation.

The Commission continued accreditation of the following institutions and continued them on Warning:

Paine College, Augusta, Georgia

For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial resources), Comprehensive Standard 3.8.3 (Qualified staff), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial stability), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.3 (Control of finances), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.4 (Control of sponsored research/external funds), and Federal Requirement 4.7 (Title IV program responsibilities) of the Principles of Accreditation.

Victory University, Memphis, Tennessee

For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial resources) and Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial stability) of the Principles of Accreditation

The Commission continued accreditation for good cause and placed the following institutions on Probation:

Benedict College, Columbia, South Carolina

For twelve months for failure to comply with Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional effectiveness: educational programs) of the Principles of Accreditation.

Brevard College, Brevard, North Carolina

For twelve months for failure to comply with Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial stability) of the Principles of Accreditation

The Commission continued accreditation for good cause, denied reaffirmation, and continued the following institution on Probation:

Brewton-Parker College, Mount Vernon, Georgia

For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial Resources), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial Stability), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.3 (Control of Finances), and Federal Requirement 4.7 (Title IV Program Responsibilities) of the Principles of Accreditation.

Adverse Action

The Commission removed the following institution from membership:

Virginia Intermont College, Bristol, Virginia

For failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial resources) and Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial stability) of the Principles of Accreditation, and for failure to meet the provisions of good cause.

In accordance with the “Standing Rules of the Commission on Colleges,” members of the Board abstained from the vote on the accreditation status of their respective institutions, affiliated institutions, and any other recognized conflicts of interest.

Chair Earvin asked Board member Terry McConathy, Chair of the Committee on Fifth-Year Interim Reports, to report on the reviews of 40 Track B institutions that make up the 2017 reaffirmation class.

The Chair also called attention to the document called “A Summary of Consolidated Substantive Changes Approved by the Executive Council of the SACSCOC Board of Trustees.” The U.S. Department of Education requires that changes defined as substantive by statute and by regulation must now be approved by the decision-making body of an accrediting Commission. Therefore, substantive changes previously reviewed and approved by Commission staff are now referred with recommendation to the Executive Council for final action. SACSCOC Bylaws provides that the Council may act on behalf of the Board while the Board is not in session. This process does not apply to substantive changes that are required by Commission policy to be reviewed by the C & R Group A.

Actions on Commission Policies, Procedures, and Best Practices

The Board of Trustees took the following actions in regard to Commission policies, procedures, and best practices:

1. **Approved proposed modifications to “Substantive Change for Accredited Institutions of the Commission on Colleges.”** The approved revision requires an institution that discontinues classes at an approved off-campus instructional site, but does not close the site, to reapply for approval of the site if there are no classes offered for a period of five years.
2. **Approved the “Status Template for Public Disclosure of SACSCOC Board of Trustee Action.”** The approved template for public disclosure is applied to each case reviewed by the Board of Trustees at its meetings in June and December. The disclosure statement is then posted on the Commission’s website. This template does not replace the more in-depth Disclosure Statement currently posted for negative and adverse actions.
3. **Approved proposed changes to “Reaffirmation of Accreditation and Subsequent Reports.”** The revision (1) defines a branch campus which is the same as that of the federal definition, (2) makes it clear that branch campuses are to be reviewed as part of the decennial evaluation, and (3) outlines the procedure and purpose of the review. This requirement, formerly incorporated into another Commission policy, effectively informs institutions of SACSCOC’s obligations for this review as part of an institution’s reaffirmation process.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

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Minutes of the Executive Session of SACSCOC Board of Trustees – December 9, 2013

The SACSCOC Board of Trustees met in Executive Session on Monday, December 9, 2013, at 3:30 p.m. at the Marriott Marquis Hotel, Atlanta, Georgia. Dr. Larry Earvin, Chair of SACSCOC Board of Trustees and President of Huston-Tillotson University, presided. Dr. Carl Hite, Vice Chair of the Board and President of Cleveland State Community College, served as recording.

Vice Chair Hite called the roll. The following Board members were in attendance: Rebecca G. Adams, Professor of Sociology and Gerontology, University of North Carolina at Greensboro, Greensboro, North Carolina; James A. Anderson, Chancellor, Fayetteville State University, Fayetteville, North Carolina; MaryLou Apple, President, Motlow State Community College, Lynchburg, Tennessee; David L. Beckley, President, Rust College, Holly Springs, Mississippi; Randolph E. Berridge, President, Florida High Tech Corridor Council, Inc., Heathrow, Florida (*Public representative*); Robert G. Boehmer, President, East Georgia State College, Swainsboro, Georgia; A. Frank Bonner, President, Gardner-Webb University, Boiling Springs, North Carolina; Ronnie L. Booth, President, Tri-County Technical College, Pendleton, South Carolina; Trina B. Boteler, Executive Vice President, Marietta Campus, Chattahoochee Technical College, Marietta, Georgia; Glenn F. Boyce, President, Holmes Community College, Goodman, Mississippi; Stephen R. Briggs, President, Berry College, Mount Berry, Georgia; Timothy S. Brophy, Director of Institutional Assessment and Professor of Music Education, University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida; M. Christopher Brown II, President, Alcorn State University, Lorman, Mississippi; Kelvin Buck, Mississippi House of Representatives, Holly Springs, Mississippi (*Public representative*); Jimmy M. Cairo, Dean, School of Allied Health Professions, LSU Health Sciences Center, New Orleans, Louisiana; Mary Ann Coleman, President & CEO, Louisiana Association of Independent Colleges and Universities, Baton Rouge, Louisiana (*Public representative*); Larry L. Earvin, President, Huston-Tillotson University, Austin, Texas; Benito Flores, Dean, Division of Engineering and Technologies, Universidad de Monterrey, Mexico; Carol Z. Garrison, President Emerita, The University of Alabama at Birmingham, Birmingham, Alabama; Michael A. Gerber, President, Cross Channel Initiatives, Atlanta, Georgia (*Public representative*); M. Dwaine Greene, President, Georgetown College, Georgetown, Kentucky; Kimberely B. Hall, Executive Vice President, South College, Knoxville, Tennessee; Natalie J. Harder, Chancellor, South Louisiana Community College, Lafayette, Louisiana; Billy C. Hawkins, President, Talladega College, Talladega, Alabama; Karen P. Helm, Director, University Planning and Analysis, North Carolina State University, Raleigh, North Carolina; Carl M. Hite, President, Cleveland State Community College, Cleveland, Tennessee; Jairy C. Hunter, Jr., President, Charleston Southern University, Charleston, South Carolina; William G. Ingram, President, Durham Technical Community College, Durham, North Carolina; Katherine M. Johnson, President, Pasco-Hernando Community College, New Port Richey, Florida; Sandra J. Jordan, Chancellor, University of South Carolina – Aiken, Aiken, South Carolina; Mark E. Keenum, President, Mississippi State University, Mississippi State, Mississippi; Flavius C. Killebrew, President/CEO, Texas A&M University—Corpus Christi, Corpus Christi,

Texas; Mary P. Kirk, President, Montgomery Community College, Troy, North Carolina; James S. Klauber, President, Owensboro Community and Technical College, Owensboro, Kentucky; William T. Luckey, Jr., President, Lindsey Wilson College, Columbia, Kentucky; Andrea S. Mayfield, Vice President for Institutional Research and Effectiveness, East Mississippi Community College, Scooba, Mississippi; Terry M. McConathy, Vice President for Academic Affairs, Louisiana Tech University, Ruston, Louisiana; Betty A. McCrohan, President, Wharton County Junior College, Wharton, Texas; Johnette McKown, President, McLennan Community College, Waco, Texas; Charles Edward Meadows, President, Pensacola State College, Pensacola, Florida; Charles R. Mojock, President, Lake-Sumter State College, Leesburg, Florida; Nancy B. Moody, President, Tusculum College, Greeneville, Tennessee; Darrell F. Parker, Dean, College of Business, Western Carolina University, Cullowhee, North Carolina; D. Ray Perren, President, Lanier Technical College, Oakwood, Georgia; Martin H. Posey, Associate Vice Chancellor, Dean of Undergraduate Studies, University of North Carolina at Wilmington, Wilmington, North Carolina; Joseph C. Rallo, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, Texas Tech University System, Lubbock, Texas; Carla D. Sanderson, Provost and Executive Vice President, Union University, Jackson, Tennessee; Martha D. Saunders, Provost, University of West Florida, Pensacola, Florida; Edward L. Schrader, President, Brenau University, Gainesville, Georgia; Mary Evans Sias, President, Kentucky State University, Frankfort, Kentucky; Wilson Stone, House of Representatives, Kentucky Legislature, Scottsville, Kentucky (*Public representative*); Linda K. Thomas-Glover, President, Eastern Shore Community College, Melfa, Virginia; John G. Thornell, Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost, University of North Alabama, Florence, Alabama; Andrew Westmoreland, President, Samford University, Birmingham, Alabama; Evans P. Whitaker, President, Anderson University, Anderson, South Carolina; and Susan A. Winsor, President, Aiken Technical College, Aiken, South Carolina.

The following Board members were not in attendance: Pamela D. Anglin, President, Paris Junior College, Paris, Texas; Elizabeth M. Bejar, Vice Provost for Academic Affairs, Florida International University, Miami, Florida; W. Todd Carlisle, Attorney at Law, Sirote & Permutt, Birmingham, Alabama (*Public representative*); Dana L. Gibson, President, Sam Houston State University, Huntsville, Texas; Michael A. Gillette, President, Bioethical Services of Virginia, Lynchburg, Virginia (*Public representative*); Judy T. Gooch, Oak Ridge, Tennessee (*Public representative*); Nancy Oliver Gray, President, Hollins University, Roanoke, Virginia; Sandra S. Harper, President, McMurry University, Abilene, Texas; Vicki P. Hawsey, President, Wallace State Community College, Hanceville, Alabama; Eric A. Hayler, BMW Manufacturing Company, Boiling Springs, South Carolina (*Public representative*); Billy D. Hilyer, President, Faulkner University, Montgomery, Alabama; Daniel W. Jones, Chancellor, University of Mississippi, University, Mississippi; Timothy S. Mescon, President, Columbus State University, Columbus, Georgia; Brian E. Noland, President, East Tennessee State University, Johnson City, Tennessee; Richard W. Phillips, President, Southern College of Optometry, Memphis, Tennessee; Brenda Hyde Rogers,

Education Consultant, Chapel Hill, North Carolina (*Public representative*); E. Joseph Savoie, President, The University of Louisiana at Lafayette, Lafayette, Louisiana; and Daniel A. Wubah, Provost, Washington and Lee University, Lexington, Virginia.

A special welcome was extended to Natalie Harder and

Ray Perren, new members of the Board of Trustees.

The Board approved the minutes of its June 2013 Executive Business Session. Copies of the minutes of the June 2013 Executive Council meeting were presented to the Board as information.

Report from the Chair

Chair Earvin called on Commission legal counsel, Mr. Patrick McKee, for a report to the Board. Mr. McKee updated the Board on litigation with Virginia Intermont College, McGhee vs. SACSCOC, and the Commission's third-party involvement with the U.S.A. vs. EMC and U.S.A. vs. AIU.

Chair Earvin reported to the Board that during sessions on December 7-9, 2013, the Executive Council took the following actions:

- Reviewed and commented on the following staff reports: Substantive change activities, applicant and candidate activities, the small college initiative scheduled for spring 2014 focusing on institutional finance, the SACSCOC Peer Review Advisory Board, research from the Office of Training and Research, and an update on the Commission's web-based training modules.
- Received and accepted a report from the Council's Investment Committee chaired by Board member Susan Winsor, and from the Council's Audit and Finance Committee chaired by Board member Andrew Westmoreland.
- Received and approved the FY 2013 audit and its 990 Form.
- Endorsed/revised six policies and forwarded them to the Board for final action.
- Took action on the Reports of the Committees on Compliance and Reports and forwarded the reports to the Board for final action. No changes were made to the recommendations.

In addition, the Chair reported on the Executive Council's Fall Retreat which took place on October 31, 2013, focusing on three identified challenges facing higher education: financial, technology, and accreditation challenges from its

relationship with the US Department of Education (DOE). The Council had asked staff to prepare papers on the three topics and used them as a basis for discussion.

In the area of financial challenges, the Council decided to send a survey to the membership seeking their assistance in identifying specific ways/services that can be initiated to better inform and help institutions struggling in the area of finances. The Council also asked staff to report back regarding the possibility of adding a "Track" for financial officers at the Annual Meeting; intervention following results from off-site reaffirmation reviews; and possibilities of co-sponsoring events with SACUBO or similar organizations. In addition, the Council supported the idea of developing a guide for institutional consolidations/mergers—a regional movement in some of our states and for institutions that have been removed from accreditation following appeals.

For technology challenges, the Council approved a policy on direct assessment and asked staff to develop current practices in dealing with MOOCs. For both, the documents should reflect current best practices.

For the evolving federalization of accreditation, the Council asked staff to include in the 2015 budget the part-time employment of an individual who would work with the political agenda of accreditation on the national level and the strategic involvement of the membership. The Council will continue its discussion of these items during its meeting in March and will report back to the Board of Trustees during its meeting in June.

Chair Earvin also confirmed the 2014 meeting dates of the Board: June 16-19 in San Antonio, TX, for the summer meeting of the Board; and December 4-9 in Nashville, TN, for the Annual Meeting.

Recognition of Outgoing COC Board of Trustees

The Chair recognized Board members whose terms expired December 2013 and commended them for their many contributions. Retiring Trustees included the following: Pamela Anglin, Michael Gillette, Vicki Hawsey, Carl Hite, William Luckey, Darrell Parker, Emma Bradford Perry, Martin Posey, and Martha Saunders.

Belle S. Wheelan, President of SACS Commission on Colleges, presented gifts of appreciation to each of the retiring members for their many years of service on the Board. She commented on the great group of retiring volunteers whose

strength had made a mark on the work of the Commission. She also presented a special gift in appreciation of the leadership of Chair Larry Earvin, who completed five years as a Board member and one year as Chair of the Board.

Wheelan continued with her presentation by expressing her appreciation to all Board members and C & R Chairs for their dedication and service and for their support. She updated the Board on financial and budget issues, the activities the Council of Regional Accrediting Commissions, and the Summer Institute.

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Report of the Nominating Committee regarding Nominees to the Board of Trustees and Election of the 2014 Executive Council

The Board of Trustees reviewed the slate of nominees presented by the Commission's Nominating Committee, chaired by Tracy Fitzsimmons, President, Shenandoah University, and approved the following list of Board members to serve as members of the 2014 Executive Council of SACSCOC Board of Trustees: Andrew Westmoreland, President, Samford University, Birmingham, Alabama (Chair); Mark E. Keenum, President, Mississippi State University, Mississippi State, Mississippi (Vice Chair); James A. Anderson, Chancellor, Fayetteville State University, Fayetteville, North Carolina; Robert G. Boehmer, President, East Georgia State University, Swainsboro, Georgia; Eric A. Hayler, BMW Manufacturing Company, Boiling Springs, South Carolina (*Public representative*); Billy D. Hilyer, President, Faulkner University, Montgomery, Alabama; Flavius C. Killebrew, President, Texas A & M University-Corpus Christi, Corpus Christi, Texas; James

S. Klauber, President, Owensboro Community and Technical College, Owensboro, Kentucky; Charles Edward Meadows, President, Pensacola State College, Pensacola, Florida; Terry M. McConathy, Vice President for Academic Affairs, Louisiana Tech University, Ruston, Louisiana; Nancy B. Moody, President, Tusculum College, Greeneville, Tennessee; Linda K. Thomas-Glover, President, Eastern Shore Community College, Melfa, Virginia; and Susan A. Winsor, President, Aiken Technical College, Aiken, South Carolina.

The reports from the SACSCOC Nominating Committee regarding nominees to the SACSCOC Board of Trustees, the Appeals Committee of the College Delegate Assembly, and the SACS Board of Trustees were presented as information. Chair Earvin thanked the members of the 2013 Executive Council for coordinating the nominating processes in their respective states.

Report of the Nominating Committee for Chairs of the 2014 Committees on Compliance and Reports

The Board of Trustees reviewed the slate of nominees presented by the Board's Nominating Committee for Chairs of the Committees on Compliance and Reports. The Committee, chaired by Board member William Luckey, and comprised of other Board members completing their final terms at this meeting, presented its slate of nominees. The

Board approved the following members to serve as chairs of C & R for 2014:

- For re-election: MaryLou Apple, Stephen Briggs, William Ingram, and Joseph Rallo
- For election: Timothy Brophy and Sandra Harper

Actions on Commission Policies, Procedures, and Best Practices

The SACSCOC Board of Trustees took the following actions regarding Commission policies, procedures, and best practices:

1. "Complaint Procedures against SACSCOC or Its Accredited Institution." The revised policy includes a new provision outlining procedures for submission of a formal complaint by complainants with demonstrated disabilities.
2. "Substantive Change for SACSCOC Accredited Institutions." The revised policy includes a new provision that requires an institution to seek approval when reactivating (1) an already approved educational program (if approval was required prior to implementation) that, within a five-year period, has been inactive but not closed and (2) an already approved off-campus instructional site (where 50 percent or more of an educational program is offered) that, within a five-year period, has been inactive but not closed.
3. "Sanctions, Denial of Reaffirmation, and Removal from Membership." The revised policy expands the current sanction policy so that institutions clearly understand that after two consecutive years on Probation, an

institution cannot be continued in accreditation for Good Cause.

4. "Advertising, Student Recruitment, and Representation of Accredited Status." The proposed policy was referred back to the Executive Council for consideration regarding compensation for the recruitment of students.
5. "Direct Assessment: Competency-Based Educational Programs." The new policy outlines procedures for the notification and approval of direct assessment competency-based educational programs; instructional programs that, in lieu of credit hours or clock hours as a measure of student learning, use direct assessment of student learning which relies solely on the attainment of defined competencies.
6. "Accreditation Procedures for Applicant Institutions." The revised policy includes a new provision stating that an application failing to contain evidence of degree-granting authority as required by the state or country in which the institution submitting the application is located will not be accepted and will result in withdrawal from consideration.

Actions on Accreditation

The Board of Trustees of SACSCOC took the following actions regarding the accreditation status of institutions reviewed. The following list does not include the names of institutions required only to submit additional monitoring reports unless the review resulted in a negative or an adverse action.

Reaffirmed the accreditation of the following institutions:

Angelo State University, San Angelo, Texas
Appalachian State University, Boone, North Carolina
Armstrong Atlantic State University, Savannah, Georgia
Auburn University, Auburn, Alabama
Carson-Newman University, Jefferson City, Tennessee
Clemson University, Clemson, South Carolina

Columbia Theological Seminary, Decatur, Georgia
 ECPI University, Virginia Beach, Virginia
 East Carolina University, Greenville, North Carolina
 East Tennessee State University, Johnson City, Tennessee
 Elon University, Elon, North Carolina
 Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, Florida
 Hodges University, Naples, Florida
 Jacksonville University, Jacksonville, Florida
 James Madison University, Harrisonburg, Virginia
 LaGrange College, LaGrange, Georgia
 Lindsey Wilson College, Columbia, Kentucky
(Reaffirmed as a Level III institution)
 Midwestern State University, Wichita Falls, Texas
 Saint Thomas University, Miami Gardens, Florida
 Shaw University, Raleigh, North Carolina
 The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary,
 Louisville, Kentucky
 Texas Christian University, Fort Worth, Texas
 Texas Wesleyan University, Fort Worth, Texas
 Texas Woman's University, Denton, Texas
 Trevecca Nazarene University, Nashville, Tennessee
 University of Kentucky, Lexington, Kentucky
 University of Mary Washington, Fredericksburg, Virginia
 The University of North Carolina at Charlotte,
 Charlotte, North Carolina
 The University of North Carolina at Wilmington,
 Wilmington, North Carolina
 University of South Alabama, Mobile, Alabama
 The University of Tennessee at Martin, Martin, Tennessee
 The University of West Alabama, Livingston, Alabama

Reaffirmed the accreditation of the following institutions and removed them from sanction:

Louisiana College, Pineville, Louisiana
(removed from Warning)
 Memphis College of Art, Memphis, Tennessee
(removed from Warning)

Granted initial accreditation to the following institutions:

College of Biblical Studies-Houston, Houston, Texas
 (Level II)
 Moultrie Technical College, Moultrie, Georgia
 (Level I)

Granted initial candidacy to the following institution:
(Candidacy is effective December 9, 2013)

Ogeechee Technical College, Statesboro, Georgia
 (Level I)

Accredited the following member institutions at a new or a more advanced degree level:

Cabarrus College of Health Sciences, Concord,
 North Carolina
*Moved from Level II to Level III offering the Master of
 Occupational Therapy (Effective Fall 2014)*
 Freed-Hardeman University, Henderson, Tennessee
*Moved from Level IV to Level V offering the Ed.D. in
 Instructional Leadership (Effective August 2014)*

Galen College of Nursing, Louisville, Kentucky
*Moved from Level I to Level II offering the Bachelor of Science in
 Nursing (Effective July 2014)*
 Johnson C. Smith University, Charlotte, North Carolina
*Moved from Level II to Level III offering the Master of Social
 Work (Effective Fall 2014)*
 Kentucky State University, Frankfort, Kentucky
*Moved from Level III to Level V offering the Doctor of Nursing
 Practice (Effective August 2014)*
 King University, Bristol, Tennessee
*Moved from Level III to Level V offering the Doctor of Nursing
 Practice (Effective Fall 2014)*
 Lindsey Wilson College, Columbia, Kentucky
*Moved from Level III to Level V offering the Ph.D. in Counselor
 Education and Supervision (Effective Fall 2014)*
 Louisiana State University in Shreveport, Shreveport,
 Louisiana
*Moved from Level IV to Level V offering the Doctor of Education
 in Leadership Studies (Effective January 2014)*
 Our Lady of the Lake College, Baton Rouge, Louisiana
*Moved from Level III to Level V offering the Doctorate of Nursing
 Practice in Nurse Anesthesia (Effective January 2015)*
 Pasco-Hernando Community College,
 New Port Richey, Florida
*Moved from Level I to Level II offering the Bachelor of Applied
 Science in Supervision and Management and the Bachelor of
 Science in Nursing (Effective Fall 2014)*
 Southwestern Assemblies of God University,
 Waxahachie, Texas
*Moved from Level III to Level V offering the Doctorate of
 Ministry in Leadership and Creative Communication (Effective
 Fall 2014)*
 Tougaloo College, Tougaloo, Mississippi
*Moved from Level II to Level III offering the Master of Arts in
 Childhood Development, Master of Arts in Teaching-Secondary
 Education, and the Master of Arts in Teaching-Elementary
 Education (Effective Fall 2014)*
 Truett-McConnell College, Cleveland, Georgia
*Moved from Level II to Level III offering the Master of Arts in
 Theology (Effective Fall 2014)*

Approved the following substantive changes:

El Paso County Community College District,
 El Paso, Texas
*Approved (1) The Center for Career and Technology Education,
 an off-campus instructional site located in El Paso, Texas and (2)
 dual credit courses offered at the following off-campus high school
 instructional sites in Texas: Irvin High School, El Paso; Horizon
 High School, El Paso; Cotton Valley Early College High School,
 Fabens; El Dorado High School, El Paso; El Paso High School;
 Jefferson High School, El Paso; Maxine L. Silva High School
 for Health Care Professions, El Paso; Canutillo High School,
 Canutillo; Cathedral High School, El Paso; Coronado High
 School, El Paso; Hanks High School, El Paso and Eastwood High
 School, El Paso*

Erskine College, Due West, South Carolina
*Approved the off-campus instructional site in Columbia, South
 Carolina, offering 50 % or more of the following programs:
 Master of Divinity, Master of Arts in Practical Ministry, Master
 of Arts in Theological Studies, Master of Theology and the
 Doctor of Ministry*

Graduate Institute of Applied Linguistics, Dallas, Texas
*Approved membership at Level II offering the Bachelor of Arts in
 International Service*

Pentecostal Theological Seminary, Cleveland, Tennessee
*Approved (1) membership at Level II offering certificates beyond
 the associate degree in Wesleyan Pentecostal Ministry, Wesleyan
 Pentecostal Theology, and Wesleyan Pentecostal Biblical Studies
 and (2) an exception to Core Requirement 2.7.4 (Course work
 for degrees)*

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Continued the accreditation of the following institutions after a Substantive Change Committee reviewed the approved change:

- Aquinas College, Nashville, Tennessee
Reviewed membership at Level III offering Master of Education in Teaching and Learning, Master of Arts in Teaching K-6, Master of Arts in Teaching 7-12, Master of Science in Nursing Education, and the Post-Masters Certificate in Nursing Education
- Athens State University, Athens, Alabama
Reviewed a change of governance from the Alabama Community College System and the State Board to an independent public Board of Trustees
- Georgia Regents University, Augusta, Georgia
Reviewed the merger/consolidation of Georgia Health Sciences University with Augusta State University
- Lenoir-Rhyne University, Hickory, North Carolina
Reviewed the Lenoir-Rhyne University Center for Graduate Studies in Asheville, North Carolina
- Lord Fairfax Community College, Middletown, Virginia
Reviewed the following off-campus instructional sites in Virginia: Liberty High School, Millbrook High School, Navy Federal Credit Union, Skyline High School, Strasburg High School, and Stonewall Jackson High School
- Mississippi University for Women, Columbus, Mississippi
Reviewed membership at Level V offering the Doctor of Nursing Practice
- Parker University, Dallas, Texas
Reviewed membership at Level I offering the Associate of Applied Science in Radiologic Technology
- Pensacola State College, Pensacola, Florida
Reviewed the following off-campus instructional sites: J.M. Tate High School, Cantonment, Florida and Century Site, Century, Florida
- Piedmont Technical College, Greenwood, South Carolina
Reviewed off-campus instructional sites
- South Georgia State College, Douglas, Georgia
Reviewed membership at Level II offering the Bachelor of Science in Nursing
- South University, Savannah, Georgia
Reviewed a branch campus located in High Point, North Carolina
- Southern Adventist University, Collegedale, Tennessee
Reviewed membership at Level V offering the Doctor of Nursing Practice
- Tennessee Wesleyan College, Athens, Tennessee
Reviewed membership at Level III offering the Master of Science in Curriculum Leadership
- Texas Lutheran University, Seguin, Texas
Reviewed membership at Level III offering the Master of Accountancy
- Texas State Technical College—Harlingen, Texas
Reviewed the Associate of Applied Science in Registered Nursing
- University of North Alabama, Florence, Alabama
Reviewed the MBA program offered at Athens State University, Athens, Alabama
- University of North Georgia, Dahlonega, Georgia
Reviewed the merger/consolidation of Gainesville State College and North Georgia College and State University
- Valencia College, Orlando, Florida
Reviewed its branch campus, Lake Nona Campus, located in Orlando, Florida

Approved the merger/consolidation of the following institutions:

- Lenoir-Rhyne University, Hickory, North Carolina
Approved the institution's merger/consolidation with Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary in Columbia, South Carolina. The

merged institution will be called Lenoir-Rhyne University.

Removed the following institutions from Warning:

- Montreat College, Montreat, North Carolina
Orangeburg-Calhoun Technical College, Orangeburg, South Carolina
University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Virginia

Removed the following institutions from Probation:

- Fisk University, Nashville, Tennessee
Florida Agricultural & Mechanical University, Tallahassee, Florida
Greensboro College, Greensboro, North Carolina
Jarvis Christian College, Hawkins, Texas
St. Vincent de Paul Regional Seminary, Boynton Beach, Florida

Sanctions and other Negative Actions

For further information regarding Commission sanctions, see the Commission's policy "Sanctions, Denial of Reaffirmation, and Removal from Membership."

Denied authorization of a Candidacy Committee to the following institution:

- Jose Maria Vargas University, Pembroke Pines, Florida
Denied authorization for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.2 (Governing board), Core Requirement 2.5 (Institutional effectiveness), Core Requirement 2.8 (Faculty), Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial resources), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional effectiveness: educational programs), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.2 (Institutional effectiveness – administrative support services), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.3 (Institutional effectiveness – academic and student support services), Comprehensive Standard 3.5.1 (General education competencies), Comprehensive Standard 3.7.1 (Faculty competence), Federal Requirement 4.1 (Student achievement), Federal Requirement 4.5 (Student complaints), and Federal Requirement 4.7 (Title IV program responsibilities) of the Principles of Accreditation.

Denied approval of the following substantive changes:

- Asbury University, Wilmore, Kentucky
Denied approval of the Master of Business Administration offered online for failure to comply with Comprehensive Standard 3.4.3 (Admission policies), Comprehensive Standard 3.4.4 (Acceptance of academic credit), Comprehensive Standard 3.4.6 (Practices for awarding credit), Comprehensive Standard 3.6.1 (Post-baccalaureate program rigor), Comprehensive Standard 3.6.2 (Graduate curriculum), Comprehensive Standard 3.6.4 (Post-baccalaureate program requirements), Comprehensive Standard 3.7.1 (Faculty competence), and Federal Requirement 4.9 (Credit hours) of the Principles of Accreditation.

Montreat College, Montreat, North Carolina

Denied approval of the Bachelor of Applied Science in Leadership for failure to comply with Comprehensive Standard 3.4.4 (Acceptance of academic credit) and Comprehensive Standard 3.13.1 (Policy compliance) of the Principles of Accreditation

Continued accreditation, denied reaffirmation, and continued the following institutions on Warning:

- Erskine College, Due West, South Carolina
For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.5 (Institutional effectiveness), Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial resources), Comprehensive Standard 3.2.10 (Administrative staff evaluations), Comprehensive Standard 3.2.13 (Institution-related entities), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional effectiveness: educational programs, to include student learning outcomes); Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.2 (Institutional effectiveness: administrative support services), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.3 (Institutional effectiveness: academic and student support services), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.5 (Institutional effectiveness: community/public service within its mission), Comprehensive

Standard 3.5.1 (General education competencies), Comprehensive Standard 3.7.2 (Faculty evaluation), and Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial stability) of the Principles of Accreditation

Mid-Continent University, Mayfield, Kentucky

For twelve months for failure to comply with Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional effectiveness: educational programs), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial stability), and Federal Requirement 4.7 (Title IV program responsibilities) of the Principles of Accreditation

Newberry College, Newberry, South Carolina

For six months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial resources) and Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial stability) of the Principles of Accreditation

Continued accreditation of the following institutions and placed them on Warning:

Allen University, Columbia, South Carolina

For six months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.2 (Governing board), Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial resources), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial stability), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.3 (Control of finances), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.4 (Control of sponsored research/external funds), Federal Requirement 4.1 (Student achievement), and Federal Requirement 4.7 (Title IV program responsibilities) of the Principles of Accreditation

Hampden-Sydney College, Hampden-Sydney, Virginia

For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.8 (Faculty), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional effectiveness: educational programs), and Comprehensive Standard 3.13.1 (Policy compliance) of the Principles of Accreditation

Norfolk State University, Norfolk, Virginia

For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.2 (Governing board), Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial resources), Comprehensive Standard 3.2.5 (Board dismissal), Comprehensive Standard 3.2.6 (Board/administration distinction), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional effectiveness: educational programs), Comprehensive Standard 3.7.1 (Faculty competence), Comprehensive Standard 3.7.5 (Faculty role in governance), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial stability), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.3 (Control of finances),

Comprehensive Standard 3.10.4 (Control of sponsored research/external funds), and Comprehensive Standard 3.11.1 (Control of physical resources) of the Principles of Accreditation

Continued accreditation of the following institution and continued it on Warning:

Emmanuel Christian Seminary, Johnson City, Tennessee

For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial resources), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial stability), and Comprehensive Standard 3.10.3 (Control of finances) of the Principles of Accreditation

Continued accreditation for good cause, denied reaffirmation, and placed the following institution on Probation:

Interdenominational Theological Center, Atlanta, Georgia

For twelve months for failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial resources), Comprehensive Standard 3.3.1.1 (Institutional effectiveness: educational programs), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial stability), Comprehensive Standard 3.10.3 (Control of finances), and Federal Requirement 4.7 (Title IV program responsibilities) of the Principles of Accreditation

In accordance with the "Standing Rules of the Commission on Colleges," members of the Board abstained from the vote on the accreditation status of their respective institutions, affiliated institutions, and any other recognized conflicts of interest.

Chair Earvin asked William Ingram, Chair of the Committee on Fifth-Year Interim Reports, to report on the reviews of 33 Track A institutions that make up the 2018 reaffirmation class. He reported that the standards most cited were Core Requirement 2.8; Comprehensive Standards 3.3.1.1, 3.4.11, 3.13; and Federal Requirement 4.1.

Chair Earvin thanked William Ingram and the following Chairs of the Committees on Compliance and Reports for their leadership: William Luckey, Stephen Briggs, Terry McConathy, MaryLou Apple, and Joseph Rallo.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

Minutes of the Business Meeting of the College Delegate Assembly of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges - December 10, 2013

The College Delegate Assembly of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) held its Annual Business Meeting at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Atlanta, Georgia, on December 10, 2013, at 10:30 a.m. Chair Larry L. Earvin, President of Huston-Tillotson University, presided. Dr. Carl M. Hite, President of Cleveland State Community College, served as Vice Chair.

Dr. Linda Thomas-Glover, President of Eastern Shore Community College, introduced the meeting's speaker,

Action on Nominations

Chair Earvin explained the process for nominating individuals to SACSCOC Board of Trustees. It is an open process whereby the chief executive officers (college delegates) are invited to submit nominees to their respective state Board of Trustees who, in turn, submit a slate of nominees to the Commission's Nominating Committee.

Vice Chair Hite read the report of the SACSCOC Nominating. The College Delegate Assembly elected the following to serve on the SACSCOC Board of Trustees:

Mr. Neil Howe, Author and Speaker, whose topic was "Millennials and College"

Following the speaker's presentation, Chair Earvin convened the business portion of the session and reported on the actions taken by the Executive Council and the SACSCOC Board of Trustees during their meetings December 6-9, 2013. (Refer to the December 9, 2013, meeting of the Board of Trustees for the minutes describing these actions.)

Class of 2016

(Terms beginning January 1, 2014, and concluding December 31, 2016)

David L. Beckley, President, Rust College, Holly Springs, Mississippi

Nathaniel L. Bishop, President, Jefferson College of Health Sciences, Roanoke, Virginia

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Loren J. Blanchard, Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs, Xavier University of Louisiana, New Orleans, Louisiana

Glenda F. Colagross, Interim President, Southern Union State Community College, Opelika, Alabama

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Class of 2014

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Class of 2015

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James S. Netherton, Executive Vice President for Administration & Finances, Mercer University, Macon, Georgia

The College Delegate Assembly elected the following to serve on the Board of Trustees of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools:

President-elect of the SACS Board of Trustees

Larry L. Earvin, President, Huston-Tillotson University, Austin, Texas

At-Large Representative to the SACS Board of Trustees

Martha D. Saunders, Provost, University of West Florida, Pensacola, Florida

The College Delegate Assembly elected the following to the Appeals Committee of the College Delegate Assembly:

Serve Three-Year Terms as Members of the Appeals Committee, Class of 2016

Diane M. Calhoun-French, Provost and Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs, Jefferson Community and Technical College, Louisville, Kentucky

Franklyn M. Casale, President, St. Thomas University, Miami Gardens, Florida

Royce L. Money, Chancellor, Abilene Christian University, Abilene, Texas

Henry N. Tisdale, President, Claflin University, Orangeburg, South Carolina

Fill a Vacancy and Serve as a Member of the Appeals Committee, Class of 2014

Martin H. Posey, Associate Vice Chancellor and Dean of Undergraduate Studies, University of North Carolina Wilmington, Wilmington, North Carolina

Serve a Three-Year Term as Appeals Hearing Officer, Class of 2016

Cynthia Sanchez Escamilla, General Counsel, University of the Incarnate Word, San Antonio, Texas

Chair Earvin referred the membership to the list of SACSCOC Board of Trustees elected on Monday to serve on the 2014 Executive Council. The report was presented to the College Delegate Assembly as information. He recognized and thanked the following members of the 2013 Nominating Committee of the Commission: Tracy Fitzsimmons, President, Shenandoah University, Winchester, Virginia (Chair); Louis J. Agnese, Jr., President, University of the Incarnate Word, San Antonio, Texas; Diane M. Calhoun-French, Provost & Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs, Jefferson Community and Technical College, Louisville, Kentucky; and Beverly W. Hogan, President, Tougaloo College, Tougaloo, Mississippi.

Reports of SACSCOC Board of Trustees on the Accreditation of Institutions

Vice Chair Hite read the reports from SACSCOC Board of Trustees regarding accreditation actions taken on June 20, 2013, and December 9, 2013. The reports were read as information. *(Refer to the June 20, 2013, and December 9, 2013, Minutes of the SACSCOC Board of Trustees.)*

Leadership Transition

Chair Earvin introduced Dr. Andrew Westmoreland, President of Samford University and Chair-elect. He indicated that he had had the privilege of working with Dr. Westmoreland this past year during his service as a member of the Executive Council and that he came to this position of leadership with experience and knowledge in the work of the Commission. Dr. Westmoreland thanked Dr. Earvin for his kind words and the membership for their confidence in his leadership.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:50 a.m. after announcing that the College Delegates would reconvene December 2014 in Nashville, Tennessee.

Appeals Proceedings of the College Delegate Assembly – February 20, 2013 and August 21, 2013

February 2013

On December 10, 2012, the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges Board of Trustees took action to terminate the accreditation of Florida Christian College located in Kissimmee, Florida, citing failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial Resources) and Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial Stability) of the *Principles of Accreditation*. Following notification of the action, the institution appealed the decision of the Board of Trustees. On February 20, 2013, the Appeals Committee confirmed the decision of the SACSCOC Board of Trustees to remove the accreditation of Florida Christian College.

August 2013

On June 20, 2013, the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges Board of Trustees took action to terminate the accreditation of Virginia Intermont College located in Bristol, Virginia, citing failure to comply with Core Requirement 2.11.1 (Financial Resources) and Comprehensive Standard 3.10.1 (Financial Stability) of the *Principles of Accreditation*, and for failure to meet the provisions of good cause. Following notification of the action, the institution appealed the decision of the Board of Trustees. On August 21, 2013, the Appeals Committee confirmed the decision of the SACSCOC Board of Trustees to remove the accreditation of Virginia Intermont College.

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Part IV

**2013
Roll of
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and
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Institutions**



Recognizing Institutions Awarded Initial Membership in 2011, 2012 and 2013

Congratulations to the twelve institutions that were awarded initial accreditation during this period.

2011

Appalachian College of Pharmacy, Oakwood, Virginia
Lanier Technical College, Oakwood, Georgia
South Georgia Technical College, Americus, Georgia
University of South Florida-Manatee, Sarasota, Florida
(Awarded separate accreditation from the University of South Florida)

2012

American College of Acupuncture & Oriental Medicine, Houston, Texas
Altamaha Technical College, Jesup, Georgia
J F Drake State Community and Technical College, Huntsville, Alabama
Southern Virginia University, Buena Vista, Virginia

2013

College of Biblical Studies-Houston, Houston, Texas
Galen College of Nursing, Louisville, Kentucky
Moultrie Technical College, Moultrie, Georgia
Texas A&M University-Central Texas, Killeen, Texas
(Awarded separate accreditation from Tarleton State University)



Profile of Member/Candidate Institutions by State/by Degree Level as of December 31, 2013

State	I	II	III	IV	V	VI	TOTAL
Alabama	23	8	3	3	10	6	53
Florida	5	31	17	0	11	13	77
Georgia	26	23	11	4	13	9	86
Kentucky	17	6	10	2	14	2	51
Louisiana	10	3	5	4	7	9	38
Mississippi	15	2	4	1	5	5	32
North Carolina	60	12	20	0	11	9	112
South Carolina	17	7	11	5	7	3	50
Tennessee	14	7	15	3	16	9	64
Texas	63	13	28	1	32	26	163
Virginia	24	10	14	0	13	11	72
International	0	0	3	0	1	2	6
Candidates	3	0	0	0	1	0	4
TOTALS	277	122	141	23	141	104	808

Profile by State/by Governance as of December 31, 2013

STATE	Public	Private	TOTAL
Florida	41	36	77
Georgia	54	32	86
Kentucky	24	27	51
Louisiana	27	11	38
Mississippi	24	8	32
North Carolina	75	37	112
South Carolina	29	21	50
Tennessee	22	42	64
Texas	107	56	163
Virginia	40	32	72
International	0	6	6
Candidates	3	1	4
TOTALS	481	323	808

* Institutions are classified by their highest degree level offered. The levels are as follows:

- Level I** Associate degree
- Level II** Baccalaureate degree
- Level III** Master's degree
- Level IV** Master's degree and Education Specialist
- Level V** Three or fewer doctoral degrees
- Level VI** Four or more doctoral degrees

2013 Roll of Accredited and Candidate Institutions

(As of December 31, 2013)

Member institutions accredited by SACSCOC are listed below, along with the highest degree level offered, and the initial date of accreditation. For specific information regarding

the current status of institutions, access the SACSCOC Membership Directory at: <http://www.sacscoc.org/search.asp>.

Notes to the reader:

An asterisk by the initial accreditation date indicates one of the following: (1) the initial accreditation date is that of a merged/consolidated entity or (2) the initial date is when the institution gained separate accreditation from another accredited institution. In either case, the institution would

have been accredited prior to the date listed but as a different entity. Check the SACSCOC Membership Directory (<http://www.sacscoc.org/search.asp>) for additional information. If a name change occurred between 2011 and 2013, the former name follows the current name and is indicated in italics.

Accredited Institution	Highest Degree Level	Initial Accreditation	Accredited Institution	Highest Degree Level	Initial Accreditation
Abilene Christian University, TX	V	1971	Athens Technical College, GA	I	1988
Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College, GA	II	1953	Atlanta Metropolitan State College, GA		
Academy of Oriental Medicine at Austin, TX	III in 2010; V in 2011	2009	<i>(formerly Atlanta Metropolitan College)</i>	I in 2010; II in 2011	1976
Adventist University of Health Sciences-Florida Hospital's University, FL <i>(formerly Florida Hospital College of Health Sciences)</i>	III	1996	Atlanta Technical College, GA	I	2005
Agnes Scott College, GA	II	1907	Auburn University, AL	VI	1922
Aiken Technical College, SC	I	1975	Auburn University at Montgomery, AL	V	1968*
Air University, AL	V	2004	Augusta Technical College, GA	I	1988
Alabama Agricultural and Mechanical University, AL	V	1963	Austin College, TX	III	1947
Alabama Southern Community College, AL	I	1992*	Austin Community College, TX	I	1978
Alabama State University, AL	V	1966	Austin Graduate School of Theology, TX	III	1987
Alamance Community College, NC	I	1969	Austin Peay State University, TN	IV	1947
Albany State University, GA	IV	1951	Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary, TX	V	1973
Albany Technical College, GA	I	2005	Ave Maria University, FL	V	2010
Alcorn State University, MS	IV	1948	Averett University, VA	III	1928
Alice Lloyd College, KY	II	1952	Bainbridge State College, GA <i>(formerly Bainbridge College)</i>	I	1975
Allen University, SC	II	1992	The Baptist College of Florida, FL	III	1981
Altamaha Technical College, GA	I	2012	Baptist Memorial College of Health Sciences, TN	II	1999
Alvin Community College, TX	I	1959	Baptist Missionary Association Theological Seminary, TX	III	1986
Amarillo College, TX	I	1996*	Barry University, FL	VI	1947
Amberton University, TX	III	1981	Barton College, NC	III	1955
American College of Acupuncture & Oriental Medicine, TX	III	2012	Baton Rouge Community College, LA	I	2004
The American University in Dubai, United Arab Emirates	III	2007	Bauder College, GA	II	1985
Amridge University, AL	V	1989	Baylor College of Medicine, TX	V	1970
Anderson University, SC	III in 2010; V in 2011	1959	Baylor University, TX	VI	1914
Andrew College, GA	I	1927	Beacon College, FL	II	2003
Angelina College, TX	I	1970	Beaufort County Community College, NC	I	1973
Angelo State University, TX	V	1936	Belhaven University, MS	III	1946
Appalachian College of Pharmacy, VA	V	2011	Bellarmino University, KY	V	1956
Appalachian State University, NC	V	1942	Belmont Abbey College, NC	II	1957
Aquinas College, TN	II in 2011; III in 2012	1971	Belmont University, TN	VI	1959
Armstrong Atlantic State University, GA	V	1940	Benedict College, SC	II	1946
The Art Institute of Atlanta, GA	II	1985	Bennett College for Women, NC	II	1935
The Art Institute of Houston, TX	II	2000	Berea College, KY	II	1926
Asbury Theological Seminary, KY	V	1984	Berry College, GA	IV	1957
Asbury University, KY	IV	1940	Bethel University, TN	III	1952
Asheville-Buncombe Technical Community College, NC	I	1969	Bethune-Cookman University, FL	III	1947
Ashland Community and Technical College, KY	I	2003*	Bevill State Community College, AL	I	1998*
Athens State University, AL	II	1955	Big Sandy Community and Technical College, KY	I	2003*
			Birmingham-Southern College, AL	II	1922
			Bishop State Community College, AL	I	1992*
			Bladen Community College, NC	I	1976

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Blinn College, TX	I	1950	Clearwater Christian College, FL	III	1984
Blue Mountain College, MS	III	1927	Clemson University, SC	VI	1927
Blue Ridge Community College, NC	I	1973	Cleveland Community College, NC	I	1975
Blue Ridge Community College, VA	I	1969	Cleveland State Community College, TN	I	1969
Bluefield College, VA	II in 2012; III in 2013	1949	Coahoma Community College, MS	I	1975
Bluegrass Community and Technical College, KY	I	2005*	Coastal Bend College, TX	I	1969
Bossier Parish Community College, LA	I	1983	Coastal Carolina Community College, NC	I	1972
Brazosport College, TX	II	1970	Coastal Carolina University, SC	III	1976
Brenau University, GA	V	1947	Coker College, SC	II in 2010; III in 2011	1923
Brescia University, KY	III	1957	College of Biblical Studies-Houston, TX	II	2013
Brevard College, NC	II	1949	College of Central Florida, FL	II	1964
Brewton-Parker College, GA	II	1962	College of Charleston, SC	III	1916
Bridgewater College, VA	II	1925	College of Coastal Georgia, GA	II	1967
Brite Divinity School, TX	V	2007*	The College of Saints John Fisher and Thomas More, TX (formerly The College of Saint Thomas More)	II	1994*
Brookhaven College, TX	I	1979	College of The Albemarle, NC	I	1968
Broward College, FL	II	1965	College of the Mainland, TX	I	1969
Brunswick Community College, NC	I	1983	The College of William & Mary, VA	VI	1921
Bryan College, TN	III	1969	Collin County Community College District, TX	I	1989
Cabarrus College of Health Sciences, NC	II	1995	Columbia College, SC	III	1938
Caldwell Community College and Technical Institute, NC	I	1969	Columbia International University, SC	V	1982
Calhoun Community College, AL	I	1968	Columbia State Community College, TN	I	1968
Campbell University, NC	VI	1941	Columbia Theological Seminary, GA	V	1983
Campbellsville University, KY	III	1963	Columbus State University, GA	V	1963
Cape Fear Community College, NC	I	1971	Columbus Technical College, GA	I	1990
Carolinas College of Health Sciences, NC	I	1995	Concordia College Alabama, AL (formerly Concordia College)	II	1983
Carson-Newman University, TN (formerly Carson-Newman College)	IV in 2012; V in 2013	1921	Concordia University Texas, TX	III	1968
Carteret Community College, NC	I	1974	Converse College, SC	IV	1912
Catawba College, NC	III	1928	Copiah-Lincoln Community College, MS	I	1936
Catawba Valley Community College, NC	I	1969	Covenant College, GA	III	1971
Cedar Valley College, TX	I	1979	Craven Community College, NC	I	1971
Centenary College of Louisiana, LA	III	1925	Criswell College, TX	III	1985
Central Alabama Community College, AL	I	1989*	Cumberland University, TN	III	1962
Central Carolina Community College, NC	I	1972	Dabney S. Lancaster Community College, VA	I	1969
Central Carolina Technical College, SC	I	1970	Dallas Baptist University, TX	V	1959
Central Georgia Technical College, GA (Merged with Middle Georgia Technical College)	I	2013*	Dallas Theological Seminary, TX	V	1969
Central Piedmont Community College, NC	I	1969	Dalton State College, GA	II	1996*
Central Texas College, TX	I	1969	Danville Community College, VA	I	1970
Central Virginia Community College, VA	I	1969	Darton State College, GA (formerly Darton College)	I in 2010; II in 2011	1968
Centre College, KY	II	1904	Davidson College, NC	II	1917
Charleston Southern University, SC	III	1970	Davidson County Community College, NC	I	1968
Chattahoochee Technical College, GA	I	2009*	Daytona State College, FL	II	1963
Chattahoochee Valley Community College, AL	I	1976	Del Mar College, TX	I	1946
Chattanooga State Community College, TN	I	1967	Delgado Community College, LA	I	2011*
Chipola College, FL	II	1957	Delta State University, MS	V	1930
Chowan University, NC	III	1956	Denmark Technical College, SC	I	1979
Christendom College, VA	III	1996*	Dillard University, LA	II	1938
Christian Brothers University, TN	III	1958	Duke University, NC	VI	1895
Christopher Newport University, VA	III	1971	Durham Technical Community College, NC	I	1971
Cisco College, TX	I	1958	Dyersburg State Community College, TN	I	1971
The Citadel, SC	IV	1924	East Carolina University, NC	VI	1927
Clafin University, SC	III	1947	East Central Community College, MS	I	1939
Clarendon College, TX	I	1970	East Georgia State College, GA (formerly East Georgia College)	I in 2010; II in 2011	1975
Clark Atlanta University, GA	VI	1990*	East Mississippi Community College, MS	I	1949
Clayton State University, GA	III	1971	East Tennessee State University, TN	VI	1927
Clear Creek Baptist Bible College, KY	II	1999	East Texas Baptist University, TX	III	1957

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Eastern Florida State College, FL (formerly Brevard Community College)	I in 2012; II in 2013	1965	Furman University, SC	IV	1924
Eastern Kentucky University, KY	V	1928	Gadsden State Community College, AL	I	2003*
Eastern Mennonite University, VA	III	1959	Galen College of Nursing, KY	I	2013
Eastern Shore Community College, VA	I	1973	Galveston College, TX	I	1969
Eastern Virginia Medical School, VA	V	1984	Gardner-Webb University, NC	V	1948
Eastfield College, TX	I	1972	Gaston College, NC	I	1967
Eckerd College, FL	II	1966	Gateway Community and Technical College, KY	I	2008
ECPI University, VA (formerly ECPI College of Technology)	III	1998	George C. Wallace Community College, AL	I	2000*
Edgecombe Community College, NC	I	1973	George Corley Wallace State Community College, AL	I	1974
Edison State College, FL	II	1966	George Mason University, VA	VI	1972
Edward Waters College, FL	II	1979	Georgetown College, KY	III	1919
El Centro College, TX	I	1968	Georgia College and State University, GA	IV in 2010; V in 2011	1925
El Paso County Community College District, TX	I	1978	Georgia Gwinnett College, GA	II	2009
Elaine P. Nunez Community College, LA	I	1992*	Georgia Highlands College, GA	I in 2011; II in 2012	1972
Elizabeth City State University, NC	III	1947	Georgia Institute of Technology, GA	VI	1923
Elizabethtown Community and Technical College, KY	I	2004*	Georgia Military College, GA	I	1940
Elon University, NC	V	1947	Georgia Northwestern Technical College, GA	I	2008*
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, FL	V	1968	Georgia Perimeter College, GA	I in 2010; II in 2011	1967
Emmanuel Christian Seminary, TN (formerly Emmanuel School of Religion)	V	1986	Georgia Piedmont Technical College, GA (formerly DeKalb Technical College)	I	1967
Emmanuel College, GA	II	1967	Georgia Regents University, GA (formerly Augusta State University, Georgia Health Sciences University, and Medical College of Georgia)	VI	2012
Emory & Henry College, VA	III in 2010; V in 2011	1925	Georgia Southern University, GA	V	1935
Emory University, GA	VI	1917	Georgia Southwestern State University, GA	IV	1932
Enterprise State Community College, AL (formerly Enterprise-Ozark Community College)	I	1969	Georgia State University, GA	VI	1952
Erskine College, SC	V	1925	Germanna Community College, VA	I	1972
Everglades University, FL	III	2010	Gordon State College, GA (formerly Gordon College)	II	1941
Faulkner University, AL	V	1971	Graduate Institute of Applied Linguistics, TX	III	2005
Fayetteville State University, NC	V	1947	Grambling State University, LA	V	1949
Fayetteville Technical Community College, NC	I	1967	Grayson College, TX (formerly Grayson County College)	I	1967
Ferrum College, VA	II	1960	Greensboro College, NC	III	1926
Fisk University, TN	III	1930	Greenville Technical College, SC	I	1968
Flagler College, FL	II	1973	Guilford College, NC	II	1926
Florence-Darlington Technical College, SC	I	1970	Guilford Technical Community College, NC	I	1969
Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University, FL	VI	1935	Gulf Coast State College, FL	II	1962
Florida Atlantic University, FL	VI	1967	Gwinnett Technical College, GA	I	1991
Florida College, FL	II	1954	Halifax Community College, NC	I	1975
Florida Gateway College, FL	I in 2010; II in 2011	1966	Hampden-Sydney College, VA	II	1919
Florida Gulf Coast University, FL	V	1999	Hampton University, VA	VI	1932
Florida Institute of Technology, FL	VI	1964	Hardin-Simmons University, TX	V	1927
Florida International University, FL	VI	1974	Haywood Community College, NC	I	1973
Florida Keys Community College, FL	I	1968	Hazard Community and Technical College, KY	I	2002*
Florida Memorial University, FL	III	1951	Henderson Community College, KY	I	1971
Florida National University, FL (formerly Florida National College)	II in 2010; III in 2011	1997	High Point University, NC	III in 2010; V in 2011	1951
Florida Southern College, FL	III	1935	Hill College, TX	I	1966
Florida State College at Jacksonville, FL	II	1969	Hillsborough Community College, FL	I	1971
Florida State University, FL	VI	1915	Hinds Community College, MS	I	1983*
Forsyth Technical Community College, NC	I	1968	Hodges University, FL	III	1998
Fort Valley State University, GA	III	1951	Hollins University, VA	III	1932
Francis Marion University, SC	IV	1972	Holmes Community College, MS	I	1934
Frank Phillips College, TX	I	1958	Hopkinsville Community College, KY	I	1971
Freed-Hardeman University, TN	IV	1956	Horry-Georgetown Technical College, SC	I	1972
Frontier Nursing University (formerly Frontier School of Midwifery and Family Nursing)	V	2004	Houston Baptist University, TX	III	1968
Fundacion Universidad de las Americas Puebla, Mexico	VI	1959	Houston Community College, TX	I	1977

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Howard College, TX	I	1955	Lees-McRae College, NC	II	1953
Howard Payne University, TX	III	1948	LeMoyn-Owen College, TN	II	1939
Huntingdon College, AL	II	1928	Lenoir Community College, NC	I	1968
Huston-Tillotson University, TX	II	1943	Lenoir-Rhyne University, NC	III	1928
Indian River State College, FL	II	1965	LeTourneau University, TX	III	1970
The Institute for the Psychological Sciences, VA	V	2005	Liberty University, Inc., VA	VI	1980
Instituto Centroamericano de Administracion de Empresas, Costa Rica	III	1994	Life University, GA	V	1986
Instituto Tecnologico y de Estudios Superiores de Monterrey, Mexico	VI	1950	Limestone College, SC	II in 2010; III in 2011	1928
Interdenominational Theological Center, GA	V	1984	Lincoln Memorial University, TN	V	1936
Isothermal Community College, NC	I	1970	Lindsey Wilson College, KY	III	1951
Itawamba Community College, MS	I	1955	Lipscomb University, TN	V	1954
J F. Drake State Community and Technical College, AL	I	2012	Livingstone College, NC	II	1944
J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College, VA	I	1974	Lone Star College System, TX	I	1976
Jackson State Community College, TN	I	1969	Longwood University, VA	III	1927
Jackson State University, MS	VI	1948	Lord Fairfax Community College, VA	I	1972
Jacksonville College, TX	I	1974	Louisburg College, NC	I	1952
Jacksonville State University, AL	V	1935	Louisiana College, LA	III	1923
Jacksonville University, FL	III in 2010; V in 2011	1950	Louisiana Delta Community College, LA	I	2009
James H. Faulkner State Community College, AL	I	1970	Louisiana State University and A & M College, LA	VI	1913
James Madison University, VA	VI	1927	Louisiana State University at Alexandria, LA	II	1960
James Sprunt Community College, NC	I	1973	Louisiana State University at Eunice, LA	I	1967
Jarvis Christian College, TX	II	1967	Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center, LA	VI	1931
Jefferson College of Health Sciences, VA	III	1986	Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center at Shreveport, LA	VI	2009*
Jefferson Community and Technical College, KY	I	2005*	Louisiana State University in Shreveport, LA	IV	1975
Jefferson Davis Community College, AL	I	1994*	Louisiana Tech University, LA	VI	1927
Jefferson State Community College, AL	I	1968	Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary, KY	V	1973
John A. Guppton College, TN	I	1971	Loyola University New Orleans, LA	V	1929
John Tyler Community College, VA	I	1969	LSU Paul M. Hebert Law Center, LA	V	2009
Johnson C. Smith University, NC	II	1933	Lubbock Christian University, TX	III	1963
Johnson University, TN (formerly Johnson Bible College; merged with Florida Christian College)	V	2013*	Lurleen B. Wallace Community College, AL	I	2003*
Johnston Community College, NC	I	1977	Lynchburg College, VA	V	1927
Jones County Junior College, MS	I	1940	Lynn University, FL	V	1967
Judson College, AL	II	1925	Madisonville Community College, KY	I	2001*
Keiser University, FL	VI	1991	Marine Corps University, VA	III	1999
Kennesaw State University, GA	VI	1968	Marion Military Institute, AL	I	1926
Kentucky Christian University, KY	III	1984	Mars Hill University, NC (formerly Mars Hill College)	III	1926
Kentucky State University, KY	III	1939	Martin Community College, NC	I	1972
Kentucky Wesleyan College, KY	II	1948	Martin Methodist College, TN	II	1952
Kilgore College, TX	I	1939	Mary Baldwin College, VA	III	1931
King University, TN (formerly King College)	III	1947	Marymount University, VA	V	1958
L. E. Fletcher Technical Community College, LA	I	2009	Maryville College, TN	II	1922
LaGrange College, GA	IV	1946	Mayland Community College, NC	I	1978
Lake-Sumter Community College, FL	I in 2011; II in 2012	1966	Maysville Community and Technical College, KY	I	2004*
Lamar Institute of Technology, TX	I	2000	McDowell Technical Community College, NC	I	1975
Lamar State College - Orange, TX	I	1989	McLennan Community College, TX	I	1968
Lamar State College - Port Arthur, TX	I	1988	McMurry University, TX	II in 2010; III in 2011	1949
Lamar University, TX	VI	1955	McNeese State University, LA	IV	1954
Lander University, SC	III	1952	Medical University of South Carolina, SC	VI	1971
Lane College, TN	II	1949	Meharry Medical College, TN	V	1972
Lanier Technical College, GA	I	2011	Memphis College of Art, TN	III	1963
Laredo Community College, TX	I	1957	Memphis Theological Seminary, TN	V	1988
Lee College, TX	I	1948	Mercer University, GA	VI	1911
Lee University, TN	IV	1960	Meredith College, NC	III	1921
			Meridian Community College, MS	I	1942

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Methodist University, NC	III	1966	Northeast Mississippi Community College, MS	I	1956
Miami Dade College, FL	II	1965	Northeast State Community College, TN	I	1984
Miami International University of Art & Design, FL	III	1979	Northeast Texas Community College, TX	I	1987
Mid-America Baptist Theological Seminary, TN	V	1981	Northeastern Technical College, SC	I	1973
Mid-Atlantic Christian University, NC	II	1999	Northern Kentucky University, KY	V	1973
Mid-Continent University, KY	III	1987	Northern Virginia Community College, VA	I	1968
Middle Georgia State College, GA (<i>formerly Middle Georgia College; Merged with Macon State College</i>)	II	2012*	Northwest Florida State College, FL	II	1967
Middle Tennessee School of Anesthesia, TN	III in 2011; V in 2012	1994	Northwest Mississippi Community College, MS	I	1953
Middle Tennessee State University, TN	VI	1928	Northwest Vista College, TX	I	2001
Midland College, TX	II	1975	Northwest-Shoals Community College, AL	I	1994*
Midlands Technical College, SC	I	1974	Northwestern State University of Louisiana, LA (<i>formerly Northwestern State University</i>)	IV	1941
Midway College, KY	III	1949	Notre Dame Seminary, LA	III	1951
Midwestern State University, TX	III	1950	Nova Southeastern University, FL	VI	1993*
Miles College, AL	II	1969	Oakwood University, AL	III	1958
Milligan College, TN	III	1960	Oblate School of Theology, TX	V	1968
Millsaps College, MS	III	1912	Odessa College, TX	I	1952
Mississippi College, MS	V	1922	Oglethorpe University, GA	III	1950
Mississippi Delta Community College, MS	I	1930	Okefenokee Technical College, GA	I	2009
Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College, MS	I	1929	Old Dominion University, VA	VI	1961
Mississippi State University, MS	VI	1926	Orangeburg-Calhoun Technical College, SC	I	1970
Mississippi University for Women, MS	III in 2012; V in 2013	1921	Our Lady of Holy Cross College, LA	III in 2012; V in 2013	1972
Mississippi Valley State University, MS	III	1968	Our Lady of the Lake College, LA	III	1994
Mitchell Community College, NC	I	1955	Our Lady of the Lake University, TX	V	1923
Montgomery Community College, NC	I	1978	Owensboro Community and Technical College, KY	I	2003*
Montreat College, NC	III	1960	Paine College, GA	II	1944
Morehead State University, KY	V	1930	Palm Beach Atlantic University, FL	V	1972
Morehouse College, GA	II	1932	Palm Beach State College, FL	II	1942
Morehouse School of Medicine, GA	V	1986	Palo Alto College, TX	I	1987
Morris College, SC	II	1978	Pamlico Community College, NC	I	1977
Motlow State Community College, TN	I	1971	Panola College, TX	I	1960
Moultrie Technical College, GA	I	2013	Paris Junior College, TX	I	1934
Mount Olive College, NC	II in 2012; III in 2013	1960	Parker University, TX (<i>formerly Parker College of Chiropractic</i>)	V	1987
Mountain Empire Community College, VA	I	1974	Pasco-Hernando Community College, FL	I	1974
Mountain View College, TX	I	1972	Patrick Henry Community College, VA	I	1972
Murray State University, KY	V	1928	Paul D. Camp Community College, VA	I	1973
Nash Community College, NC	I	1976	Pearl River Community College, MS	I	1929
Nashville State Community College, TN	I	1972	Pellissippi State Community College, TN (<i>formerly Pellissippi State Technical Community College</i>)	I	1977
Navarro College, TX	I	1954	Pensacola State College, FL	II	1956
New College of Florida, FL	II	2004*	Pentecostal Theological Seminary, TN	V	1984
New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, LA	VI	1965	Pfeiffer University, NC	III	1942
New River Community College, VA	I	1972	Piedmont College, GA	V	1965
Newberry College, SC	II	1936	Piedmont Community College, NC	I	1977
Nicholls State University, LA	IV	1964	Piedmont Technical College, SC	I	1972
Norfolk State University, VA	V	1969	Piedmont Virginia Community College, VA	I	1974
North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University, NC	VI	1936	Pitt Community College, NC	I	1969
North Carolina Central University, NC	V	1938	Point University, GA (<i>formerly Atlanta Christian College</i>)	II	1990
North Carolina State University, NC	VI	1928	Polk State College, FL	II	1967
North Carolina Wesleyan College, NC	II	1966	Prairie View A&M University, TX	VI	1934
North Central Texas College, TX	I	1961	Presbyterian College, SC	V	1949
North Florida Community College, FL	I	1963	Queens University of Charlotte, NC	III	1932
North Georgia Technical College, GA	I	2008	Radford University, VA	V	1928
North Greenville University, SC	III in 2010; V in 2011	1957	Randolph College, VA	III	1902
North Lake College, TX	I	1979	Randolph Community College, NC	I	1974
Northeast Alabama Community College, AL	I	1969			

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Randolph-Macon College, VA	II	1904	South Florida State College, FL (formerly South Florida Community College)	I in 2011; II in 2012	1968
Ranger College, TX	I	1968	South Georgia State College, GA (Consolidation of South Georgia College and Waycross College)	II	2012*
Rappahannock Community College, VA	I	1973	South Georgia Technical College, GA	I	2011
Reformed Theological Seminary, MS	V	1977	South Louisiana Community College, LA	I	2007
Regent University, VA	VI	1984	South Piedmont Community College, NC	I	1977
Reinhardt University, GA	III	1953	South Plains College, TX	I	1963
Rhodes College, TN	III	1911	South Texas College, TX	II	1995
Richard Bland College, VA	I	1961	South University, GA	V	2009*
Richland College, TX	I	1974	Southcentral Kentucky Community and Technical College, KY (formerly Bowling Green Technical College)	I	2009
Richmond Community College, NC	I	1969	Southeast Kentucky Community and Technical College, KY	I	2001*
Richmont Graduate University, GA	III	2003	The Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, NC	V	1978
Ringling College of Art and Design, FL	II	1979	Southeastern Community College, NC	I	1967
River Parishes Community College, LA	I	2004	Southeastern Louisiana University, LA	V	1946
Roane State Community College, TN	I	1974	Southeastern Technical College, GA	I	2009*
Roanoke College, VA	II	1927	Southeastern University, Inc., FL	III	1986
Roanoke-Chowan Community College, NC	I	1976	Southern Adventist University, TN	III in 2010; V in 2011	1950
Robeson Community College, NC	I	1975	The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, KY	V	1968
Rockingham Community College, NC	I	1968	Southern College of Optometry, TN	V	1967
Rollins College, FL	III in 2012; V in 2013	1927	Southern Crescent Technical College, GA	I	2009*
Rowan-Cabarrus Community College, NC	I	1970	Southern Methodist University, TX	VI	1921
Rust College, MS	II	1970	Southern Polytechnic State University, GA	III	1964
Saint Augustine's University, NC (formerly Saint Augustine's College)	II	1942	Southern Union State Community College, AL	I	1994*
Saint Catharine College, KY	III	1957	Southern University and A & M College at Baton Rouge, LA	V	1938
St. Edward's University, TX	III	1958	Southern University at New Orleans, LA	III	1970
Saint John Vianney College Seminary, FL	II	1970	Southern University at Shreveport, LA	I	1975
St. Johns River State College, FL (formerly St. Johns River Community College)	II	1963	Southern Virginia University, VA	II	2012
Saint Joseph Seminary College, LA	II	1956	Southern Wesleyan University, SC	III	1973
Saint Leo University, FL	IV in 2012; V in 2013	1967	Southside Virginia Community College, VA	I	1972
Saint Mary's University, TX	V	1949	Southwest Georgia Technical College, GA	I	1997
St. Petersburg College, FL	II	1931	Southwest Mississippi Community College, MS	I	1958
Saint Philip's College, TX	I	1951	Southwest Tennessee Community College, TN	I	2000*
Saint Thomas University, FL	VI	1968	Southwest Texas Junior College, TX	I	1964
St. Vincent de Paul Regional Seminary, FL	III	1968	Southwest Virginia Community College, VA	I	1970
Salem College, NC	III	1922	Southwestern Adventist University, TX	III	1958
Sam Houston State University, TX	V	1925	Southwestern Assemblies of God University, TX	III	1968
Samford University, AL	VI	1920	Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, TX	V	1969
Sampson Community College, NC	I	1977	Southwestern Christian College, TX	II	1973
San Antonio College, TX	I	1952	Southwestern Community College, NC	I	1971
The San Jacinto College District, TX	I	1966	Southwestern University, TX	II	1915
Sandhills Community College, NC	I	1968	Spalding University, KY	V	1938
Santa Fe College, FL	II	1968	Spartanburg Community College, SC	I	1970
The Savannah College of Art and Design, GA	III	2005*	Spartanburg Methodist College, SC	I	1957
Savannah State University, GA	III	1951	Spelman College, GA	II	1932
Savannah Technical College, GA	I	1991	Spring Hill College, AL	III	1922
Schreiner University, TX	III	1934	Stanly Community College, NC	I	1979
Seminary of the Southwest, TX	III	1983	State College of Florida, Manatee-Sarasota, FL	II	1963
Seminole State College of Florida, FL	II	1969	Stephen F. Austin State University, TX	VI	1927
Shaw University, NC	III	1943	Stetson University, FL	V	1932
Shelton State Community College, AL	I	1994*	Stillman College, AL	II	1953
Shenandoah University, VA	VI	1973	Sul Ross State University, TX	III	1929
Sherman College of Chiropractic, SC Shorter University, GA	V	2002*	Sullivan University, KY	V	1979
Snead State Community College, AL	III	1923	Surry Community College, NC	I	1969
Snead State Community College, AL	I	1941	Sweet Briar College, VA	III	1920
Somerset Community College, KY	I	2003*	T.A. Lawson State Community College, AL	I	2005*
South Carolina State University, SC	V	1941			
South College, TN	V	2000			

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Talladega College, AL	II	1931	Universidad de las Americas - A.C., Mexico	V	1991
Tallahassee Community College, FL	I	1969	Universidad de Monterrey, Mexico	III	2001
Tarleton State University, TX	V	1926	The University of Alabama, AL	VI	1897
Tarrant County College District, TX	I	1969	The University of Alabama at Birmingham, AL	VI	1970
Technical College of the Lowcountry, SC	I	1978	The University of Alabama in Huntsville, AL	VI	1970
Temple College, TX	I	1959	University of Central Florida, FL	VI	1970
Tennessee State University, TN	VI	1979*	The University of Dallas, TX	V	1963
Tennessee Technological University, TN	V	1939	University of Florida, FL	VI	1913
Tennessee Wesleyan College, TN	II in 2011; III in 2012	1926	The University of Georgia, GA	VI	1909
Texarkana College, TX	I	1931	University of Houston, TX	VI	1954
Texas A&M International University, TX	V	1970	University of Houston-Clear Lake, TX	V	1976
Texas A&M University, TX (Merged with The Texas A&M University System Health Science Center)	VI	2013*	University of Houston - Downtown, TX	III	1976
Texas A&M University-Central Texas, TX	IV	2013	University of Houston - Victoria, TX	III	1978
Texas A&M University-Commerce, TX	V	1925	University of Kentucky, KY	VI	1915
Texas A&M University - Corpus Christi, TX	VI	1975	The University of Louisiana at Lafayette, LA	VI	1925
Texas A&M University - Kingsville, TX	VI	1933	The University of Louisiana at Monroe, LA	VI	1955
Texas A&M University-Texarkana, TX	V	1979	University of Louisville, KY	VI	1915
Texas Chiropractic College, TX	V	1984	University of Mary Hardin-Baylor, TX	V	1926
Texas Christian University, TX	VI	1922	University of Mary Washington, VA	III	1930
Texas College, TX	II	2001*	The University of Memphis, TN	VI	1927
Texas Lutheran University, TX	II in 2011; III in 2012	1940	University of Miami, FL	VI	1940
Texas Southern University, TX	VI	1948	University of Mississippi, MS	VI	1895
Texas State Technical College - Harlingen, TX	I	1971	University of Mississippi Medical Center, MS	VI	1991
Texas State Technical College Marshall, TX	I	2002*	University of Mobile, AL	III	1968
Texas State Technical College Waco, TX	I	1968	University of Montevallo, AL	IV	1925
Texas State Technical College - West Texas, TX	I	1979	University of New Orleans, LA	VI	1958
Texas State University, TX (formerly Texas State University-San Marcos)	VI	1925	University of North Alabama, AL	IV	1934
Texas Tech University, TX	VI	1928	The University of North Carolina at Asheville, NC	III	1958
Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, TX	VI	2004	The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, NC	VI	1895
Texas Wesleyan University, TX	V	1949	The University of North Carolina at Charlotte, NC	VI	1957
Texas Woman's University, TX	VI	1923	The University of North Carolina at Greensboro, NC	VI	1921
Thomas More College, KY	III	1959	University of North Carolina at Pembroke, NC	III	1951
Thomas Nelson Community College, VA	I	1970	The University of North Carolina at Wilmington, NC	V	1952
Thomas University, GA	III	1984	University of North Carolina School of the Arts, NC	III	1970
Tidewater Community College, VA	I	1971	University of North Florida, FL	V	1974
Toccoa Falls College, GA	II	1983	University of North Georgia, GA (Merger of North Georgia College & State University and Gainesville State College)	V	2012*
Tougaloo College, MS	II	1953	University of North Texas, TX	VI	1925
Transylvania University, KY	II	1915	University of North Texas at Dallas, TX	III	2013
Trevecca Nazarene University, TN	V	1969	University of North Texas Health Science Center at Fort Worth, TX	VI	1995
Tri-County Community College, NC	I	1975	University of Pikeville, KY (formerly Pikeville College)	V	1998*
Tri-County Technical College, SC	I	1971	University of Richmond, VA	V	1910
Trident Technical College, SC	I	1974	University of South Alabama, AL	VI	1968
Trinity University, TX	III	1946	University of South Carolina - Aiken, SC	III	1977*
Trinity Valley Community College, TX	I	1952	University of South Carolina Beaufort, SC	II	2004*
Troy University, AL	V	2004*	University of South Carolina - Columbia, SC	VI	1917
Truett McConnell College, GA	II	1966	University of South Carolina Upstate, SC	III	1976
Tulane University, LA	VI	1903	University of South Florida, FL	VI	1965
Tusculum College, TN	III	1926	University of South Florida Sarasota - Manatee, FL	III	2011*
Tuskegee University, AL	V	1933	University of South Florida St. Petersburg, FL	III	2006*
Tyler Junior College, TX	I	1931	The University of Southern Mississippi, MS	VI	1929
Union College, KY	IV	1932	University of St. Thomas, TX	V	1954
Union Presbyterian Seminary, VA	V	1997*	The University of Tampa, FL	III	1951
Union University, TN	VI	1948	The University of Tennessee, TN	VI	2000*
United States Sports Academy, AL	V	1983			

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The University of Tennessee at Chattanooga, TN	VI	1910	Wayne Community College, NC	I	1970
The University of Tennessee at Martin, TN	III	1951	Weatherford College, TX	I	1956
The University of Texas at Arlington, TX	VI	1964	Webber International University, FL (Merged with St. Andrews Presbyterian College)	III	2011*
The University of Texas at Austin, TX	VI	1901	Welch College, TN (formerly Free Will Baptist Bible College)	II	1996
University of Texas at Brownsville-Texas Southmost College, TX	V	1995*	Wesleyan College, GA	III	1919
The University of Texas at Dallas, TX	VI	1972	West Georgia Technical College, GA	I	2007*
The University of Texas at El Paso, TX	VI	1936	West Kentucky Community and Technical College, KY	I	2003*
The University of Texas at San Antonio, TX	VI	1974	West Texas A&M University, TX	V	1925
The University of Texas at Tyler, TX	V	1974	Western Carolina University, NC	V	1946
The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston, TX	VI	1973	Western Kentucky University, KY	V	1926
The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio, TX	V	1973	Western Piedmont Community College, NC	I	1968
The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center, TX	V	2005*	Western Texas College, TX	I	1973
The University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston, TX	V	1973	Wharton County Junior College, TX	I	1951
The University of Texas of the Permian Basin, TX	III	1975	Wiley College, TX	II	1933
The University of Texas - Pan American, TX	V	1956	Wilkes Community College, NC	I	1970
The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center, TX (formerly The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas)	VI	1973	William Carey University, MS	V	1958
University of the Cumberlands, KY	V	1964	William Marsh Rice University, TX	VI	1914
University of the Incarnate Word, TX	VI	1925	William Peace University, NC (formerly Peace College)	II	1947
University of the South, TN	V	1895	Williamsburg Technical College, SC	I	1977
University of Virginia, VA	VI	1904	Wilson Community College, NC	I	1969
The University of Virginia's College at Wise, VA	II	1970	Wingate University, NC	V	1951
The University of West Alabama, AL	IV	1938	Winston-Salem State University, NC	V	1947
The University of West Florida, FL	V	1969	Winthrop University, SC	IV	1923
University of West Georgia, GA	VI	1936	Wiregrass Georgia Technical College, GA	I	2010*
Valdosta State University, GA	V	1929	Wofford College, SC	II	1917
Valencia College, FL (formerly Valencia Community College)	II	1969	Wytheville Community College, VA	I	1970
Vance Granville Community College, NC	I	1977	Xavier University of Louisiana, LA	V	1938
Vanderbilt University, TN	VI	1895	York Technical College, SC	I	1970
Vernon College, TX	I	1974	Young Harris College, GA	II	1938
Victoria College, TX (formerly The Victoria College)	I	1951			
Victory University, TN	III	1986	Candidate Institution	Highest Degree Level	Candidacy Date
Virginia Commonwealth University, VA	VI	1953	H. Councill Trenholm State Technical College, AL	I	20-Jun-13
Virginia Highlands Community College, VA	I	1972	Ogeechee Technical College, GA	I	09-Dec-13
Virginia Intermont College, VA	II	1925	Sowela Technical Community College, LA	I	21-Jun-12
Virginia Military Institute, VA	II	1926	Virginia Tech Carilion School of Medicine, VA	V	21-Jun-12
Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, VA	VI	1923			
Virginia State University, VA	V	1933			
Virginia Union University, VA	V	1935			
Virginia Wesleyan College, VA	II	1970			
Virginia Western Community College, VA	I	1969			
Volunteer State Community College, TN	I	1973			
Voorhees College, SC	II	1946			
Wade College, TX	II	1985			
Wake Forest University, NC	VI	1921			
Wake Technical Community College, NC	I	1970			
Wallace State Community College, AL	I	1978			
Walters State Community College, TN	I	1972			
Warner University, FL	III	1977			
Warren Wilson College, NC	III	1952			
Washington and Lee University, VA	V	1895			
Watkins College of Art, Design & Film, TN	II	2010			
Wayland Baptist University, TX	III	1956			



Part V

**Financial
Statements
and
Independent
Auditor's
Report:**

**Southern Association of
Colleges and Schools
Commission on Colleges, Inc.**

June 30, 2013



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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Board of Trustees
Southern Association of Colleges and Schools
Commission on Colleges, Inc.

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges, Inc. (the Commission), which comprise the statement of financial position as of June 30, 2013, and the related statements of activities and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditors' Responsibility

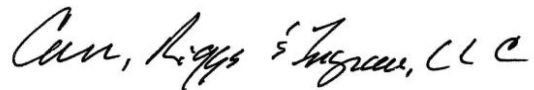
Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditors' judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditors consider internal control relevant to the Commission's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Commission's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Commission as of June 30, 2013 and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the years then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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Atlanta, Georgia
October 24, 201

Southern Association of Colleges and Schools
Commission on Colleges, Inc.

Statement of Financial Position

June 30, 2013

Assets

Current assets	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 3,666,283
Investments	5,627,636
Receivables	
Accreditation visitations	65,549
Other	114,536
	180,085
Less allowance for doubtful accounts	20,000
	160,085
Current portion, notes receivable - litigation settlements, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$100,000	150,000
Other current assets	225,551
	9,829,555
Total current assets	9,829,555
Property and equipment, net	4,076,542
Other assets	
Software costs	22,040
Notes receivable - litigation settlements, net of allowance for doubtful accounts of \$690,000, less current portion	690,058
Due from related parties	160,581
Investments - deferred compensation	274,977
	1,147,656
Total assets	\$ 15,053,753

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The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

Southern Association of Colleges and Schools
Commission on Colleges, Inc.

Statement of Financial Position (Continued)

June 30, 2013

Liabilities and Net Assets

Current liabilities	
Accounts payable - trade	\$ 93,096
Accrued expenses	425,062
Deferred revenue	
Membership dues	3,289,553
Other	1,297,984
Current portion due to related party - post retirement benefit obligation	127,275
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Total current liabilities	5,232,970
Deferred compensation	274,977
Due to related party - post-retirement benefit obligation, less current portion	1,862,656
Commitments and contingencies	
Total net assets, unrestricted	7,683,150
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Total liabilities and net assets	\$ 15,053,753

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

Southern Association of Colleges and Schools
Commission on Colleges, Inc.

Statement of Activities

Year ended June 30, 2013

Revenues and support	
Membership dues	\$ 5,414,079
Registration fees and exhibits	2,094,054
Application and special fees	1,232,769
Grants	339,786
Publication sales	26,621
Dividend and interest income	80,723
Net realized and unrealized gain on investments	442,190
Other income	409,338
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Total revenues and support	10,039,560
Expenses for accreditation and supporting services	
Employee compensation and benefits	5,409,109
General and administrative	2,459,571
Legal and professional	150,427
Meetings, workshops and seminars	996,462
Insurance	647,648
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Total expenses for accreditation and supporting services	9,663,217
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Change in net assets, unrestricted	376,343
Net assets, unrestricted at June 30, 2012	7,306,807
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Net assets, unrestricted at June 30, 2013	\$ 7,683,150

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

Southern Association of Colleges and Schools
Commission on Colleges, Inc.

Statement of Cash Flows

Year ended June 30, 2013

Operating activities	
Change in net assets	\$ 376,343
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash provided by operating activities	
Provision (recovery) for doubtful accounts	(92,501)
Depreciation	209,894
Net realized and unrealized gain on investments	(442,190)
(Increase) decrease in assets and increase (decrease) in liabilities	
Receivables	362,237
Due to/from related parties	258,251
Other current assets	(52,775)
Accounts payable - trade	(292,864)
Accrued expenses	(16,904)
Deferred revenue	788,902
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Net cash provided by operating activities	1,098,393
Investing activities	
Capital expenditures and capitalized software costs	(92,872)
Proceeds from sale of investments	321,957
Purchase of investments	(277,157)
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Net cash used in investing activities	(48,072)
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Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	1,050,321
Cash and cash equivalents at June 30, 2012	2,615,962
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Cash and cash equivalents at June 30, 2013	\$ 3,666,283

Supplemental schedule of non-cash investing and financing activities and certain cash flow information:

There were no noncash investing and financing activities during the year ended June 30, 2013.

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accompanying financial statements include the accounts of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges, Inc. (the Commission), a Georgia nonprofit corporation, without capital stock, and a member of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, Inc. (SACS). The Commission was incorporated exclusively for educational purposes, and is the regional body for the accreditation of degree-granting higher education institutions in the southern United States. The Commission grants normal credit terms to its members.

The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Subsequent events have been evaluated through October 24, 2013, which is the date that the financial statements were available to be issued.

A summary of the significant accounting policies of the Commission applied in the preparation of the accompanying financial statements follows.

Financial Statement Presentation

The Commission's financial statements are prepared in accordance with Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 958, *Not-for-Profit Entities* (ASC 958). Under ASC 958, the Commission is required to report information regarding its financial position and activities according to three classes of net assets: unrestricted net assets, temporarily restricted net assets and permanently restricted net assets. The Commission considers all of its net assets to be unrestricted net assets. In addition, the Commission is required to present a statement of cash flows.

Allowance for Doubtful Accounts

The Commission provides an allowance for doubtful accounts equal to the estimated collection losses that will be incurred in the collection of all receivables. The estimated losses are based upon historical collection experience coupled with a review of the current status of existing receivables.

Property and Equipment

Property and equipment is stated at cost. The Commission capitalizes property and equipment with a cost of \$1,000 or more and a useful life in excess of one year. Depreciation of property and equipment is provided in amounts sufficient to relate the cost of depreciable assets to operations over their estimated useful lives on a straight-line basis.

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Property and Equipment (continued)

The components of property and equipment at June 30, 2013 are as follows:

Class of Asset	Estimated Useful Lives (years)	
Building	25	\$2,769,875
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	3-10	1,603,419
		4,373,294
Less accumulated depreciation		1,546,752
		2,826,542
Land		1,250,000
		\$4,076,542

Software Costs

Software costs relate to a system being developed by the Commission to support the production of webinars. The system will allow schools to access training and other webinars to help further support the relationship between the Commission and the schools it services. Costs to develop the system have been capitalized in accordance with FASB ASC 350-40, *Internal-Use Software* (ASC 350-40). Under ASC 350-40 costs incurred during application development are capitalized. The following is a summary of software costs at June 30, 2013:

Software and Hardware – not in service	\$ 9,333
Web-based training modules – not in service	12,707
	\$ 22,040

Software costs are amortized over a 5 year period and the amortization expense is charged to operations. No charges have been made to depreciation and amortization, as the project has not reached technological feasibility as of June 30, 2013. Total budgeted costs for the system are expected to be approximately \$511,700 and will reach technological feasibility in fiscal year 2015.

Revenue Recognition

Revenue is recognized as services are provided and on a pro-rata basis over the accreditation period. Revenue from publication sales is recognized upon shipment to the customer.

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Deferred Revenue

Deferred revenue reported as a current liability represents membership dues, registration fees and grants related to future periods, which were received prior to the end of the fiscal year.

Concentrations of Credit Risk

Financial instruments, which potentially subject the Commission to concentrations of credit risk, are principally receivables and investments. Concentration of credit risk with respect to receivables is limited due to the members comprising the Commission's member base and the profession in which its members operate. To reduce risk, the Commission routinely assesses the financial strength of its members and, as a consequence, believes that its receivables credit risk exposure is limited. Concentration of credit risk with respect to investments is limited due to the diversified nature of the Commission's investment portfolio (Note 2). To further reduce credit risk, the Commission's Administrative Council and the Trust Department of the Commission's principal investment institution routinely assess the financial strength and diversification of the investments.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

For the purposes of the statement of cash flows, the Commission considers all highly liquid debt instruments purchased with a maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

Income Taxes

The Commission is exempt from federal income taxes under the provisions of §501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. The Internal Revenue Service has also determined that the Commission is not a private foundation as defined by §509(a)(1) of the Code.

FASB ASC 740, *Income Taxes* (ASC 740), requires the use of a two-step approach for recognizing and measuring tax benefits taken or expected to be taken in a tax return and disclosures regarding uncertainties in income tax positions. Only tax positions that meet the more likely than not recognition threshold may be recognized under ASC 740.

Management does not believe that the Commission has any material uncertain tax positions at June 30, 2013; however, the Commission's tax returns for the years ended June 30, 2012, 2011 and 2010 are still available for examination by relevant taxing authorities.

NOTE 2 - INVESTMENTS

Investments at June 30, 2013 are recorded at market value based on quoted market prices in accordance with FASB ASC 820, *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures* (ASC 820). The Commission's investments represent funds held for future operational or capital needs. Changes in the basis of investments held at the end of the year are reflected in the statement of activities as unrealized appreciation/depreciation in the market value of investments. Realized gains and losses on the sale of investments are recorded based upon the difference between the proceeds and the basis of the investments. The basis of the investments is determined by the specific-identification method. Interest income and dividends are recognized when earned.

ASC 820 defines fair value as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date (exit price).

ASC 820 classifies inputs used to measure fair value into the following hierarchy:

- Level 1 - Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.
- Level 2 - Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for similar assets or liabilities, or unadjusted quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active, or inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability.
- Level 3 - Unobservable inputs for the asset or liability.

Assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis comprise investments totaling \$5,627,636 as of June 30, 2013.

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NOTE 2 - INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

The following table sets forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, investments at fair value as of June 30, 2013:

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Large Cap Domestic Stocks (publicly traded)	\$1,152,540	\$ -	\$ -	\$1,152,540
Mutual Funds (publicly traded)	973,030	-	-	973,030
Small and Mid Cap Domestic Stocks (publicly traded)	761,717	-	-	761,717
Emerging Markets (publicly traded)	759,097	-	-	759,097
International Bonds (publicly traded)	-	584,096	-	584,096
High-yield Bonds (publicly traded)	-	525,466	-	525,466
International Stocks (publicly Traded)	393,660	-	-	393,660
Real Estate Funds (publicly traded)	299,255	-	-	299,255
Domestic Bonds (publicly traded)	-	178,775	-	178,775
	<u>\$4,339,299</u>	<u>\$1,288,337</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>\$5,627,636</u>

Generally, for all investments, fair value is determined by reference to quoted market prices and other relevant information generated by market transactions. The investments are managed by Fifth Third Bank.

NOTE 3 - LITIGATION SETTLEMENTS

In August 2007, the Commission was named as a defendant in a lawsuit filed by a member. The member was seeking restoration of accreditation, related costs and attorney's fees. In May 2010, a consent order was issued whereby the Commission agreed to continue the member's accreditation for an additional year ending in May 2011. Also in May 2010, a release of claims and settlement agreement was reached between the Commission and member, awarding the Commission the recovery of attorney fees in the amount of \$1,000,000. In accordance with the settlement, the member paid \$200,000 during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2011. The member also signed a note payable to the Commission for the remaining \$800,000, to be payable in annual installments of \$100,000, with the final installment and accrued interest, at a rate of 3%, to be paid on January 31, 2020.

NOTE 3 - LITIGATION SETTLEMENTS (CONTINUED)

At June 30, 2013, the Commission has recognized the settlement award as a note receivable in the amount of \$600,000, net of an estimated allowance for doubtful accounts of approximately \$300,000.

The Commission filed a lawsuit against a member during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2011. The member was originally seeking restoration of accreditation, of which the court did not grant. The Commission filed suit seeking the recovery of attorney's fees related to previous suits. In October 2011, a release of claims and settlement agreement was reached between them. The member signed a note payable to the Commission for \$600,000, to be payable in ten annual installments of various amounts, with the final installment and accrued interest, at a rate of 3%, to be paid on June 30, 2020. At June 30, 2013, the Commission has recognized the settlement award as a note receivable in the amount of \$550,000, net of an estimated allowance for doubtful accounts of approximately \$250,000.

In August 2009, the Commission was named as a defendant in a lawsuit filed by a member. The member was seeking restoration of accreditation. In December 2011, a release of claims and settlement agreement was reached where the Commission was awarded a recovery of attorney fees in the amount of \$550,000. In accordance with the settlement, the member is required to pay seven annual installments of various amounts including interest at a rate of 3%, with the final payment to be made June 30, 2018. At June 30, 2013, the Commission has recognized the settlement award as a note receivable in the amount of \$480,000, net of an estimated allowance for doubtful accounts of approximately \$240,000.

NOTE 4 - PENSION AND POSTRETIREMENT PLANS

The Commission has a contributory Defined Contribution Pension Plan (the Plan) in which substantially all employees of the Commission are required to participate. Under the requirements of the Plan, the employees contribute 2.5% of their regular salary (as defined), and the Commission contributes 12.5% of the employee's regular salary (as defined) for the purchase of individual deferred mutual funds from Lincoln Financial. The Commission's pension expense for the year ended June 30, 2013 was approximately \$513,000.

The Commission, along with the Career and Technical Education Consortium of States, Inc. (CTECS) and Advance Education, Inc. (AdvancED), provides certain health care insurance benefits for retired employees and their dependents. The Plan has been closed to new participants. Certain employees become eligible for health care insurance benefits if they retire after they reach 60 years of age and achieve 10 years of continuous service while working for the Commission. The Commission accounts for these benefits under FASB ASC 715, *Compensation - Retirement Benefits* (ASC 715), which requires a company that sponsors a postretirement benefit plan to recognize in its statement of financial position, the funded status of a benefit plan.

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NOTE 4 - PENSION AND POSTRETIREMENT PLANS (CONTINUED)

Each entity is responsible for employee benefits for employees that retired from each respective entity. Based on the allocations of employees retired from each employer, approximately 58% of the benefit obligations have been allocated to the Commission, and the remaining portion has been allocated to CTECS and AdvancED. The Commission contributed approximately \$140,000 to pay benefits during the year ended June 30, 2013.

The disclosure below represents the total benefit obligation for the entire plan as well as the Commission's allocated portion.

Obligations and Funded Status

The change in the postretirement benefit obligation for the year ended June 30, 2013 is as follows:

	Total Plan	Commission Portion
Benefit obligation at beginning of year	\$ 3,103,509	\$ 1,796,768
Service cost	30,283	17,532
Interest cost	168,665	97,648
Actuarial loss	377,128	218,337
Benefits paid	(242,432)	(140,354)
Benefit obligation at end of year	\$ 3,437,153	\$ 1,989,931

The change in the Plan's assets for the Plan for the year ended June 30, 2013 is as follows:

	Total Plan	Commission Portion
Plan assets at beginning of year	\$ -	\$ -
Employer contributions	242,432	140,354
Benefits paid	(242,432)	(140,354)
Plan assets at year end	\$ -	\$ -

Amounts recognized in the statement of financial position as of June 30, 2013 is as follows:

	Total Plan	Commission Portion
Current liabilities	\$ (219,838)	\$ (127,275)
Noncurrent liabilities	(3,217,315)	(1,862,656)
Funded status	\$(3,437,153)	\$(1,989,931)

NOTE 4 - PENSION AND POSTRETIREMENT PLANS (CONTINUED)

Components of Net Periodic Benefit Cost and Other Amounts Recognized in Net Assets

Net Periodic Benefit Cost:

	Total Plan	Commission Portion
Service cost	\$ 30,283	\$ 17,532
Interest cost	168,665	97,648
Amortization of actuarial gain/loss	45,366	26,265
Total net periodic benefit cost	\$244,314	\$141,445

Other Changes in the Plan assets and benefit obligations recognized in net assets:

	Total Plan	Commission Portion
Actuarial loss	\$ 377,128	\$ 218,337
Amortization of actuarial gain/loss	(45,366)	(26,265)
Net periodic benefit cost	244,314	141,445
Total recognized in net periodic benefit cost and net assets:	\$576,076	\$333,517

Weighted Average Assumptions

For disclosure as of June 30, 2013:

Discount rate	4.84%
Medical trend rate	7.50% grades to 5.00% over 5 years

For measuring net periodic cost at the beginning of year:

Discount rate	5.24%
Medical trend rate	8.00% grades to 5.00% over 6 years

The Commission, CTECS and AdvancED expect to contribute a combined \$225,000 to the postretirement benefit plan from July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014.

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NOTE 4 - PENSION AND POSTRETIREMENT PLANS (CONTINUED)

The following benefit payments, which reflect expected future service and decrements as appropriate, discount rate projections, and health care cost trend rate estimates, are expected to be paid for subsequent fiscal years:

Year ending June 30,	Total Plan	Commission Portion
2014	\$ 225,000	\$ 130,000
2015	226,000	131,000
2016	226,000	131,000
2017	233,000	135,000
2018	246,000	142,000
2019 - 2023	1,172,000	679,000
	\$2,328,000	\$1,348,000

If the health care cost trend rates were increased by 1% for all future years, the accumulated postretirement benefit obligation for the total plan as of June 30, 2013 would have increased by approximately \$335,000. The aggregate of the service and interest cost for the total plan for the year ended June 30, 2013 would have increased by approximately \$21,000. If the health care cost trend rates were decreased by 1% for all future years, the accumulated postretirement benefit obligation for the total plan as of June 30, 2013 would have decreased by approximately \$282,000. The aggregate of the service and interest cost for the total plan for the year ended June 30, 2013 would have decreased by approximately \$18,000.

NOTE 5 - COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

The Commission leases certain vehicles and equipment under non-cancelable lease agreements expiring at various dates through September 2016. The leases are classified as operating leases in accordance with FASB ASC 840, *Leases*. Rent expense was approximately \$54,000 for the year ended June 30, 2013.

The following is a schedule of the future minimum lease payments required under the non-cancelable operating leases as of June 30, 2013:

Year ending June 30,	
2014	\$ 56,000
2015	41,000
2016	41,000
2017	10,000
	\$148,000

NOTE 5 - COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES (CONTINUED)

The Commission has cash deposits and investment accounts with financial institutions, which fluctuate from time to time in excess of the insured limitation of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. If these financial institutions were not to honor their contractual liability, the Commission could incur losses. Management is of the opinion that there is no risk of loss because of the financial strength of these financial institutions.

From time to time, the Commission may have asserted and unasserted claims arising in the normal course of business, most often these claims involve the Commission's denial of accreditation of a member institution. The Commission does not expect losses, if any, arising from these asserted and unasserted claims to have a material effect on the financial statements.

NOTE 6 - DEFERRED COMPENSATION

The Commission has entered into deferred compensation agreements with certain current and former employees. These agreements require the Commission to pay a portion of each employee's salary into a salary continuation account that is invested into certain investments as defined by the agreements. These payments are required to continue through each employee's stated vested date. Upon retirement and participant request, the fair values of the salary continuation accounts are to be paid to the employees in sixty substantially equal monthly installments. At June 30, 2013, the investments – deferred compensation are presented at fair value based on level 2 measurements.

NOTE 7 - RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

SACS has an agreement with an insurance carrier whereby SACS and the Commission's group health insurance are partially self-insured. Under the agreement, SACS and the Commission fund each employee and/or his/her dependent claims up to a maximum of \$70,000 annually. The maximum liability to the claim fund cannot exceed \$2,045,575 annually. At June 30, 2013, the Commission had no unfunded liability for submitted claims. Claims for occurrences prior to June 30, 2013 were unknown at that date and are estimated to be insignificant.

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NOTE 7 - RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (CONTINUED)

The Commission's portion of the obligation in the amount of \$1,989,931 has been recognized as due to related party - post retirement benefit obligation in the accompanying statement of financial position.

During the year ended June 30, 2013, CTECS paid the Commission \$50,000 for the use of business administration personnel and office space. At June 30, 2013, the Commission had a receivable of approximately \$147,000 due from CTECS for various operating expenses paid by the Commission on behalf of CTECS.

Management of the Commission jointly approves the annual operating budget for SACS with AdvancED and funds approximately 50% of this through a contribution to SACS. While the Commission is not legally obligated to fund the operations of SACS, management plans to continue funding half of the SACS operating budget for the foreseeable future. The Commission's portion of SACS operations amounted to approximately \$13,000 for the year ended June 30, 2013.