

ACCREDITING COMMISSION for COMMUNITY and JUNIOR COLLEGES

10 COMMERCIAL BOULEVARD **SUITE 204** NOVATO, CA 94949 TELEPHONE: (415) 506-0234 FAX: (415) 506-0238 E-MAIL: accjc@accjc.org www.accjc.org

Chairperson LURELEAN B. GAINES East Los Angeles College

Vice Chairperson FLOYD K. TAKEUCHI Public Member

President BARBARA A. BENO

Vice President SUSAN B. CLIFFORD

Vice President STEVE MARADIAN

Vice President GARMAN JACK POND

Associate Vice President LILY OWYANG

January 29, 2010

4155060238

Dr. Jeff Marsee Superintendent/President College of the Redwoods 7351 Tompkins Hill Road Eureka, CA 95501

RECEIVED

FFR 1 - 2010

PRESIDENT'S OFFICE

Dear President Marsee:

The Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, Western Association of Schools and Colleges, at its meeting January 6-8, 2010, reviewed the Follow-Up Report submitted by the college and the report of the evaluation team which visited Tuesday, October 20-Wednesday, October 21, 2009. The Commission took action to accept the report and remove Warning, with the requirement that the college complete a Follow-Up Report by October 15, 2010. That report will be followed by a visit of Commission representatives.

The Follow-Up Report of October 15, 2010 should demonstrate the institution's resolution of the recommendation below:

Recommendation 1 (2009): In order to meet the Standard and improve both communication and operations of the college, the team recommends that the college undergo a review of roles and responsibilities of each constituent group. In so doing, the college should develop means by which trust can be enhanced and respect increased among the constituent groups to create an environment that supports empowerment, innovation and leads to institutional excellence. (Standard IV.A.1. 2a, b, 3, 5)

I wish to inform you that under U.S. Department of Education regulations, institutions out of compliance with standards or on sanction are expected to correct deficiencies within a two-year period or the Commission must take action to terminate accreditation. The College has shown substantial progress toward fully meeting accreditation standards. College of the Redwoods must fully resolve Recommendation 1 by January 2011 or the Commission will be compelled to act.

The Follow-Up Report will become part of the accreditation history of the college and should be used in preparing for the next comprehensive evaluation. I have previously sent you a copy of the Evaluation Team Report. Additional copies may now be duplicated. The Commission requires that you give the report and this letter appropriate dissemination to your college staff and to those who were signatories of your college report.

Dr. Jeff Marsee College of the Redwoods January 29, 2010 Page Two

This group should include campus leadership and the Board of Trustees. The Commission also requires that all reports be made available to students and the public. Placing copies in the college library can accomplish this. Should you want an electronic copy of the report, please contact Commission staff.

On behalf of the Commission, I wish to express continuing interest in the institution's educational quality and students' success. Professional self-regulation is the most effective means of assuring institutional integrity, effectiveness, and quality.

Sincerely,

Barbara A. Beno, Ph.D.

Barbones a Beno

President

BAB/tl

cc:

Dr. Marjorie Carson, Accreditation Liaison Officer Board President, Redwoods Community College District Dr. Marie Smith, Team Chair Ms. Linda Henderson, U.S.D.E., San Francisco