Preliminary Mission Statement Review Participatory Governance Committee/Academic Senate Feedback

Current SAC Mission Statement:

The mission of Santa Ana College is to be a leader and partner in meeting the intellectual, cultural, technological and workforce development needs of our diverse community. Santa Ana College provides access and equity in a dynamic learning environment that prepares students for transfer, careers and lifelong intellectual pursuits in a global community.

Standard I: Mission, Academic Quality and Institutional Effectiveness, and Integrity

The institution demonstrates strong commitment to a mission that emphasizes student learning and student achievement. Using analysis of quantitative and qualitative data, the institution continuously and systematically evaluates, plans, implements, and improves the quality of its educational programs and services. The institution demonstrates integrity in all policies, actions, and communication. The administration, faculty, staff, and governing board members act honestly, ethically, and fairly in the performance of their duties.

Standard I.A. Mission

- 1. The mission describes the institution's broad educational purposes, its intended student population, the types of degrees and other credentials it offers, and its commitment to student learning and student achievement. (ER 6)
- 2. The institution uses data to determine how effectively it is accomplishing its mission, and whether the mission directs institutional priorities in meeting the educational needs of students.
- 3. The institution's programs and services are aligned with its mission. The mission guides institutional decision-making, planning, and resource allocation and informs institutional goals for student learning and achievement.
- 4. The institution articulates its mission in a widely published statement approved by the governing board. The mission statement is periodically reviewed and updated as necessary. (ER 6)*

* Eligibility Requirements for Accreditation

ER6: Mission—The institution's educational mission is clearly defined, adopted, and published by its governing board consistent with its legal authorization, and is appropriate to a degree granting institution of higher education and the constituency it seeks to serve. The Eligibility Requirements for Accreditation mission statement defines institutional commitment to student learning and achievement. (Standard I.A.1 and I.A.4)

Recommendations

Committees	Elements					
	Broad Educational Purposes	Intended Student Population	Types of Degrees and Other Credentials	Commitment to Student Learning and Achievement	Other	
Academic Senate						
Curriculum and Instruction					Possible statement revision (provided by Andy Gonis): The mission of Santa Ana College is to meet the intellectual, cultural, technological and workforce development needs of its diverse community. Santa Ana College uses education research to provide access and equity in a dynamic learning environment, which prepares students for transfer, careers, and lifelong intellectual pursuits in a global community.	
Facilities (January meeting)						

Planning and Budget	stated	Transfer; CTE (career	Higher education	Current Mission
		development)	degrees and	Statement is too long;
			certificates	difficult to remember
Student Success and				1. Include the words
Equity				"welcoming " and
				"safe"
				2. Emphasize that we
				serve the Santa Ana
				Community
				3. "Needs" has a
				negative
				connotation. Could
				we change it to
				"aspirations" or
				"goals"?
				4. Change "learning
				environment" to
				"learning
				environments" to
				emphasize that we
				have multiple sites
				5. Perhaps the Mission
				Statement needs to
				be split into a Mission
				Statement and a
				Vision Statement
				6. Change
				"environment" to
				"community" to
				emphasize the
				community aspect

SACTAC	Educate studentsDiverse educational learning environmentOpen accessService to our community	Diverse community International students	AA/AS BS Occ. StudADTsCTA Certificates of AchievementCertificates of proficiencynon-credit	Meet challenge of any student that comes to us Culture of investigation through program review DE/OER (different modes of instruction)	Question about lifelong intellectual pursuits
TLC	stated	stated	Can mention higher education	Change "intellectual" in the first sentence to "academic." Mention learning-centered institution.	The mission seems to promise all things to all people. Access and equity is not clear—to what? Simplify the statement so everyone can remember it.

Santa Ana College Vision Themes:

I. Student Achievement; II. Use of Technology; III. Innovation; IV. Community; V. Workforce Development; VI. Emerging American Community

<u>Institutional Learning Outcomes:</u>
Communication Skills; Thinking and Reasoning; **Information Management (2016-17);** Diversity; Civic Responsibility; Life Skills; Careers

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