Date: March 7, 2011

Dear Said;

The Educational Planning Committee would like to thank you for presenting your program review to the committee March 7th 2011.

This process enabled us to learn a great deal about your program, your strengths, challenges and plans for growth, and will therefore be better able to support your needs and requests as our college moves forward.

Enclosed please find the written report from the committee with our commendations and recommendations. We look forward to reviewing your progress on the recommendations at the next annual update of your program review.

Please let us know if you have any questions or comments regarding the enclosed report.

Sincerely,

Alma Johnson-Hawkins, Co-Chair

Janice Silver, Co-Chair

March 21, 2011

Date
Program Review Meetings with Department Chairs
EPC Response:

Department ___________ Physical Sciences

Commendations:
• Thorough and thoughtful written and oral reports
• Careful assessment of the vitality of disciplines and approaches to scheduling
• Change in perception of Physical Science department reflects ongoing quality improvement
• Important work developing new curriculum and certificate programs
• Successful connection with Title 5 to strengthen the LRC science tutoring program through the Science Success Center
• Innovative approaches to student support through social network tutoring and development of the Science Success Center

Recommendations:
• Continue updating curriculum and SLO assessments
• Explore scheduling of courses with two labs per one lecture
• Continue researching alternate funding (including CTE) sources for necessary equipment
• Thoroughly investigate student cost for online homework

Signatures of Co-Chairs:
Alma Johnson-Hawkins
Janice Silver

Date: 3-21-11

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