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FROM: Karen Simion, Interim Vice President for Instructional Affairs

SUBJECT: VPIA Board Report – July 2014

These are activities that have occurred since the May 2014 Board meeting. The reports submitted by my office and the 4 state campuses are reporting against the six strategic directions as approved by the Board.

Mission Statement

The College of Micronesia-FSM is a learner-centered institution of higher education that is committed to the success of the Federated States of Micronesia by providing academic, career and technical educational programs characterized by continuous improvement and best practices.

Vision

College of Micronesia-FSM will provide educational opportunities of the highest quality and will embrace the life-long pursuit of knowledge and the enrichment of the diverse Micronesian communities we serve.

Strategic Directions:

- *Focus on student success*
- *Emphasize academic offerings in service to national needs*
- *Be financially sound, fiscally responsible, and build resources in anticipation of future needs*
- *Invest in and build a strong capacity in human capital*
- *Become a learning organization through development of a learning culture guided by learning leaders*
- *Evoke an image of quality*

1. Focus on student success

1a. Summer Sessions Course Offerings

National	52 sections
Kosrae	16 sections

Pohnpei	24 sections
Chuuk	21 sections
Yap	14 sections
FMI	advanced safety courses to 2 nd year cadets.
Total	127 sections

1b. Achieving College Excellence Course Completion Rates

- 65% completion rate for Achieving College Excellence students F 2013.
- 71.7% course completion rate for Achieving College Excellence spring 2014.

1c. Student Success Data – Course Completion; Withdrawal; Graduates

- Course completion rate for spring 2013 – 62.5% ABC and P.
- Course completion rate for spring 2014 – 68.3% ABC and P.
- 83.3% of students in good academic standing spring 2014.
- Overall withdrawal rate for spring 2013 – 12.6%
- Overall withdrawal rate for spring 2014 – 10.5%.
- General Education course completion rate for fall 2013 - 68.4% ABC and P.
- General Education course completion rate for spring 2014 – 64.6% ABC and P.
- Total number of graduates spring 2014 – 194
- 29 cadets from FMI

1.d. Yap, Kosrae and Chuuk campuses have implemented intrusive tutoring programs for all students.

1e. Area Health Education Centers in Chuuk and Pohnpei held summer camps for junior and senior high school students. The camp conducts courses in English, science and math.

2. Emphasize academic offerings in service to national needs

2a. Pohnpei Campus is approved to being the Career and Technical Education Community Service Project.

Objectives of the project are:

- Provide students the opportunity to apply learned skills in a real world setting.
- Increase student competencies to gain employment in the job market or to be self-employed.
- Provide opportunity for program to work with other programs.
- Provide a mechanism for program and college to help sustain and reduce instructional costs.
- Promote student-centeredness.
- Validate quality of acquired skills.

3. Be financially sound, fiscally responsible, and build resources in anticipation of future needs

3.a. MOU signed with Micronesian Registration Advisors for computer training from July 21 – August 8.

4. Invest in and build a strong capacity in human capital

4a. Dean Kind Kanto completed the Management and Leadership in Education Institute at Harvard Graduate School of Education June 12 – July 1.

4b. Interim Vice President for Instructional Affairs completed the first session of the WASC Assessment Leadership Academy June 2 – June 6.

4c. Peltin Pelep participated in the regional community college faculty development workshop focusing on climate change and its associated effects in Palau, June 23-27. This workshop is part of the \$300,000 grant requirements received from NSF.

4d. Nursing faculty, Paul Dacanay and Chuuk AHEC site coordinator attended the American Pacific Nursing Leaders Council Meeting June. Dr. Dacanay presented the Public Health and Nursing Program status.

4e. Certification and recertification of FMI faculty updated June 2014, by FSM TC & I, meeting SPC and STCW requirements. FSM TC & I also granted a certificate authorizing FSM FMI the use of simulators.

5. Become a learning organization through development of a learning culture guided by learning leader

5a. Program prioritization working group finished reviewing all programs and the final report will be submitted by July 25 for committee review and recommendations.

6. Evoke an image of quality

6a. The first Assessment Conference is scheduled for August 5, 2014. Faculty will present summaries of 2013-2014 program assessment of student learning.

6b. Dean Kind K. Kanto was invited to visit Kwansai Gakuin University and Kyoto Gakuen University in Japan. He visited Kwansai Gakuin University on July 2nd and 3rd, and Kyoto Gakuen University on July 4, 2014. He gave a lecture on the influence of the Japanese Government and people on the South Seas Islands, especially on Chuuk to the students at the School of International Studies at Kwansai Gakuin University. He also gave an open forum on the history and culture of Chuuk, and some contemporary issues in Chuuk.

6c. SPC conducted a follow up audit at FMI to assess if the 2 System Improvement Notices (SINs) issued in June 2012 were resolved. The audit went well and the SINs were resolved.

