



**WEST HILLS**  
COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

**BEFORE THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE  
WEST HILLS COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT**

**Resolution in the Matter of  
California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office  
Task Force Report on Accreditation**

WHEREAS, the West Hills Community College District Board (WHCCD) of Trustees fully supports and has confidence in the work of the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC); and

WHEREAS, the colleges of WHCCD have improved because of their active membership in the ACCJC, and the hard work of our faculty and staff; and

WHEREAS, the WHCCD Board of Trustees has taken advantage of the training offered by the Community College League of California and the ACCJC with regard to accreditation matters; and

WHEREAS, the selection of an accreditor is a function of the elected Board of Trustees, not the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office Task Force on Accreditation; and

WHEREAS, the methodology used by the Task Force and the non-transparent nature of the process by not posting meetings or providing updates to the field, has left in question the conclusions stated in the Task Force Report; and

WHEREAS, when previously faced with significant issues of change within the community college system such as the Task Force on Student Success, the Task Force on Basic Skills, and the Task Force on Workforce Development, the Chancellor's Office has provided time for dialogue within the community college system; the urgency with which this particular issue has moved is highly suspect because the Chancellor's Office simply did not follow prior protocol; and

WHEREAS, it is incorrect and unsubstantiated to state that the structure of accreditation in this region no longer meets the current and anticipated needs of the California Community Colleges; and

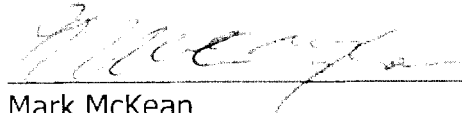
WHEREAS, the significant nature of changing the accrediting agency for California's 113 community colleges requires a broader dialogue that must include the ACCJC, its member institutions, and the governing boards of these colleges, which the Task Force failed to include or consider.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the West Hills Community College District rejects the conclusions of the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office Task Force on Accreditation.

The foregoing resolution was adopted this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of September, 2015 at a regular meeting of the governing board hereof by the following vote, to-wit:

AYES: 7  
NOES: 0  
ABSENT: 0  
ABSTAIN: 0

Dated: 9/22/2015

  
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Mark McKean  
President of the Board of Trustees

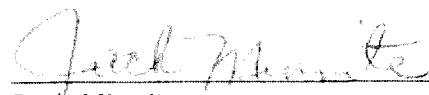
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**CERTIFICATION**

STATE OF CALIFORNIA    )  
COUNTY OF FRESNO    )

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that this resolution is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of September, 2015, at a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the West Hills Community College District, and that such resolution appears in the official minutes of the governing board under that date.

Dated: 9/22/2015

  
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Jack Minnite  
Clerk of the Board of Trustees