

BOARD OF REGENTS BRIEFING PAPER

1. AGENDA ITEM TITLE: Truckee Meadows Community College Mission Statement

MEETING DATE: March 4-5, 2021

2. BACKGROUND & POLICY CONTEXT OF ISSUE:

As a part of TMCC's Strategic Master Plan (SMP) update, TMCC's Accreditation Liaison Officer (ALO) worked with college constituency groups to develop an updated, forward student facing Mission Statement to help the community and our students better identify with the college's work.

3. SPECIFIC ACTIONS BEING RECOMMENDED OR REQUESTED:

TMCC is requesting the Board of Regents approve a change to the Nevada System of Higher Education Handbook, Title 4, Chapter 14, Section 4, § 8, Truckee Meadows Community College (TMCC) Mission Statement to reflect the revised mission statement as follows: Create a future you will love with accessible, innovative educational opportunities at TMCC. Together we can make it happen.

4. IMPETUS (WHY NOW?):

Evaluation of the TMCC SMP approved by the Board of Regents in March 2016 identified a need to streamline goals, objectives and indicators to comply with newly adopted standards set by the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities (NWCCU), TMCC's accrediting body. As a part of this process, the ALO worked with Faculty, Staff, Students and the TMCC Institutional Advisory Council to develop a new mission statement to help reflect the college's focus on Student Success and the other four NSHE goals. This updated mission is clear, concise, and easily identifiable, keeping the focus of college efforts in the forefront of daily operations.

5. CHECK THE NSHE STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL THAT IS SUPPORTED BY THIS REQUEST:

- Access (Increase participation in post-secondary education)
- Success (Increase student success)
- Close the Achievement Gap (Close the achievement gap among underserved student populations)
- Workforce (Collaboratively address the challenges of the workforce and industry education needs of Nevada)
- Research (Co-develop solutions to the critical issues facing 21st century Nevada and raise the overall research profile)
- Not Applicable to NSHE Strategic Plan Goals

INDICATE HOW THE PROPOSAL SUPPORTS THE SPECIFIC STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL

TMCC revised the SMP using the new NWCCU standards and structure to directly reflect TMCC's Goals, Objectives, and Indicators within the framework of the 5 NSHE goals. As a part of this process the TMCC Mission Statement was revised to speak to a larger audience in concise language, better defining the work of the college within the community.

6. BULLET POINTS TO SUPPORT REQUEST/RECOMMENDATION:

* TMCC Mission Statement is Student Focused *TMCC Mission Statement is Clear and Creates Energy, It is Action Based
* TMCC's New Mission Statement was Developed by the Accreditation Committee lead by the ALO garnering input from Faculty, Staff, Students and IAC Members, Representing the Reno/Sparks Business Community

7. POTENTIAL ARGUMENTS AGAINST THE REQUEST/RECOMMENDATION:

None.

8. ALTERNATIVE(S) TO WHAT IS BEING REQUESTED/RECOMMENDED:

If not approved, TMCC would revise their new mission statement to take into account feedback from the Board of Regents.

9. RECOMMENDATION FROM THE CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE:

10. COMPLIANCE WITH BOARD POLICY:

- Consistent With Current Board Policy: Title # _____ Chapter # _____ Section # _____
- Amends Current Board Policy: Title # 4 Chapter # 14 Section # 4
- Amends Current Procedures & Guidelines Manual: Chapter # _____ Section # _____
- Other: _____
- Fiscal Impact: Yes No
Explain: _____

POLICY PROPOSAL - HANDBOOK
TITLE 4, CHAPTER 14, SECTION 4
Institutional Mission Statements

Additions appear in *boldface italics*; deletions are [~~stricken~~ and bracketed]

Section 4. Institutional Mission Statements

The Board of Regents has adopted the institutional mission statements as follows:

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8. TRUCKEE MEADOWS COMMUNITY COLLEGE (TMCC) MISSION STATEMENT

Create a future you will love with accessible, innovative educational opportunities at TMCC. Together we can make it happen.

[~~Truckee Meadows Community College promotes success, academic excellence and access to lifelong learning by supporting high quality education and services within our diverse community.~~]