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was safe to go back into
the water*

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In February 2007 the Higher Learning Commission Recommended a full ten year accreditation for the College.

(applause)

The team noted that the College's self-study was an honest thorough self-assessment. But, also recommended two areas needing institutional improvement

Areas Needing Institutional Improvement

Core Component 1d (Governance)

Core component 1e (Integrity)

Areas Needing Organizational Improvement

- Lack of a safe environment for making employee suggestions
- Perceived “one-way” communication between administration/board of trustees and College staff
- Not all policies followed in a consistent manner

**Improvements Resulting from
the February 2007
Comprehensive Evaluation by
the Higher learning Commission**

Communication

- Conversations with Julia
- Administrative Services staff meeting summaries posted
- Campus news placed prominently on homepage
- Syllabi Portal
- Board agenda and minutes placed online

Communication Cont.

- Non-Teaching Professional Committee established
- Green Committee
- Budget and Policy information made available online
- Administrative leadership weekly meetings
- Reports sent out through announce after key committee meetings
- Biannual leadership meetings with collective bargaining unites

Governance

- Board Hiring Committee
- Nepotism Policy
- Board Policy Committee
- All new board of trustee members have attend orientation sections sponsored by ICCTA

What's Next

1. Dr. Daugherty and Dr. Payne will re-establish the steering committee (September 2008)
2. Survey regarding areas of concern in Criteria 1 distributed to campus employees (February 2009)
3. Compile Report (Summer/Fall 2009)
4. Submit Report to Higher Learning Commission (November 2009)

Recent Accomplishments continuing to Make John A. Logan College One of the Best Educations in the Country Right Here at Home

- Increased online course delivery and flexible scheduling
- Taking Blackboard to the classroom
- iTunes U
- Increased focus on Diversity
- Increased professional development for faculty and staff
- Increased service learning initiatives

Accomplishments cont.

- Building project
- New Insurance coverage
- Direct Deposit
- Wellness Program
- P cards