

Resolution SP15.03 ACCJC Commission Recommendation 1 and Minimum Eligibility Requirements for Chief Executive Officers

SBVC Academic Senate Executive Committee

Whereas, the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, Western Association of Schools and Colleges (ACCJC) concluded that the San Bernardino Valley College President does not meet the minimum eligibility requirements to serve in that position, and that the College will remain deficient until it meets the requirements as evidenced in:

Commission Recommendation 1: In order to meet standards, the college must ensure that the President holds an appropriate degree from an institution accredited by a recognized U.S. accrediting agency at the time the degree was awarded. Furthermore, the college should ensure that the college catalog contain precise, accurate, and current information with the names and degrees of all administrators and faculty (II.B.2.a. III.A.1.a. and ER 5 and 20).

and,

Whereas, while the commission does not direct member colleges how to meet the standards and federal eligibility requirements, it does insist that to achieve the status of *Reaffirmation of Accreditation*, a college must meet or exceed the standards set by the commission and federal government; and

Whereas, the ACCJC has neither recommended nor approved the District's decision to retain the current President while she attains the required degree, contrary to Chancellor Baron's representations, and the college has no assurance that this resolution will be acceptable to the ACCJC;

Resolved, the San Bernardino Valley College Academic Senate opposes Chancellor Baron's proposed resolution of the deficiency that permits the president to begin work on a master's degree while in office because it prolongs the time the college remains out of compliance with the minimum eligibility requirements for accreditation.