The Accreditation and Institutional Quality (AIQ) Committee held its first meeting of the 2016-2017 academic year on August 30, 2016. Here is some of the initial work that the AIQ Committee is undertaking:

1) The AIQ Committee is reviewing its calendar for the year. There are two important items related to calendar dates of which college personnel should be aware:

   A) The AIQ Committee is setting due dates for the Fall 2016 and Spring 2017 Strategic Directions Reports. Once we have reviewed the Strategic Directions report forms and processes, we will send out a campus-wide email announcing these due dates and any changes to the Strategic Directions reporting process. All campus committees and other Strategic Directions reporters should be reviewing their Spring 2016 Strategic Directions Reports to make sure they are on track for advancing or completing their particular Strategic Directions initiatives for this 2016-2017 academic year.

   B) BC President Sonya Christian has requested that the AIQ Committee postpone the complete roll-out of the Accreditation Self-Study Process until after the November elections, and she also suggested that BC could kick off the Self-Study Process with a Winter Accreditation Boot Camp. The AIQ Co-Chairs will work with President Christian and with the AIQ Committee members to develop an Accreditation Self-Study process and timeline to be approved by the BC Academic Senate and College Council.

   To prepare for the upcoming Accreditation Self-Study process, College personnel should be reviewing the BC 2015 Accreditation Mid Term Report and the ACCJC Accreditation Standards, both posted on the BC Accreditation Webpage. (Please look at the Accreditation Standards to determine on which Standard Sub-Committee you would like to serve. We will need the participation of many college personnel to successfully carry out our college self-study report.)

2) The AIQ Committee is proposing some minor changes/updates in the official AIQ committee charge. Once the AIQ Committee members have voted to approve these changes/updates, we will forward them for final approval by the BC Academic Senate and BC College Council.

3) Last Spring, the AIQ Committee administered a BC Services Survey to determine the effectiveness of various BC services. The results of this survey were generally positive, and the AIQ Committee will be sharing more particular details of this survey in the next few weeks.

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