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Election of Board and Diversity Committee Members

Announcement of Board Candidates

The 26-member ACCT Board of Directors consists of 15 directors elected regionally, nine directors-at-large elected by the Senate, and two directors appointed by the ACCT chair. A full elected term is three years. Directors serve staggered terms.

At the Annual ACCT Leadership Congress, one director is elected from each of the five regions at the Regional Caucuses and Meetings, and three directors are elected at-large at the Senate meeting.

Regional Nominating Committees met during the 2013 National Legislative Summit (NLS) on February 11 to interview and nominate candidates for regional directors and support directors-at-large. Candidates are listed to the right.

Former ACCT Chair-Elect John Sanders from John A. Logan College in Illinois resigned recently from his Regional Director position. Therefore, the Central Region has a two-year partial term for Regional Director to fill in addition to the standard three-year term.

2013 Candidates for ACCT Board of Directors

REGIONAL DIRECTOR

(1) Three-Year Term in Each Region
(1) Two-Year Term in the Central Region

Following is the slate of nominees received as of July 1, 2013:

Central Region Three Year Term — **Robin M. Smith***
Lansing Community College, MI

Central Region Two-Year Partial Term — **Diane Gallagher**
Highland Community College, IL

Northeast Region — **LeRoy W. Mitchell***
Westchester Community College, NY

Pacific Region — **Jane C. Strain***
Cochise College, AZ

Southern Region — **David H. Talley***
Palm Beach State College, FL

Western Region — **Kent O. Miller***
Mid-Plains Community College Area, NE

DIRECTOR-AT-LARGE

(3) Three-Year Terms
(1) One-Year Partial Term

Following is the slate of nominees received as of July 1, 2013:

Sean Alveshire
Broward College, FL

Kirsten Diederich
North Dakota University System, ND

William Greenhill
Tarrant County College District, TX

Connie Hornbeck
Iowa Western Community College, IA

Greg Knott
Parkland College, IL

Lana Puckorious
South Florida State College, FL

Dana Saar
Maricopa County Community College District, AZ

**Received support of their respective Nominating Committees.*
Note: Nominations will be accepted from the floor on all elections.

2013 Board Candidate Statements

REGIONAL DIRECTOR

CENTRAL REGION

Robin M. Smith
Lansing Community College, MI

It is my passion for Student inclusion that drives me to promote diversity in Education. I bring to the ACCT Board a commitment to diversity based on a philosophy of encompassing acceptance of and respect for the historically underrepresented, to help cultivate understanding of their uniqueness, and recognizing their individual differences.

As an educator with the diverse Lansing School District, and as an elected Trustee with Lansing Community College, I offer a unique perspective of professional and civic experience as it relates to diversity in education.

As Chairperson of the Personnel & Compensation Committee for LCC, I work to promote diversity in the College's hiring and employment practices. I frequently serve as a Guest Lecturer on topics of diversity throughout Michigan, and work as a Mentor with the Yes Club, Young Educators Society within the Lansing School District, a group that promotes student recruitment for the underrepresented.

CENTRAL REGION
(TWO-YEAR PARTIAL TERM)

Diane Gallagher
Highland Community College, IL

An educated person is always learning and adapting. It's also true of our schools because today's students have different needs and different delivery options. I want ACCT to be a stronger conduit for trustees who are eager to learn, advocate and network for these students. I want to be the team player that listens for interests, communicates with respect and enthusiasm and cultivates support for the goals of the association.

In 2001, 2007, and 2013 I was elected trustee after serving 14 years on the local school board. I have become the eyes, ears and voice with my continued service as member of Vision Education for Galena, Chair of County Housing Authority, participation as League of Women Voters member, and Illinois state coordinator for ACCT. ACCT became my passion while serving as an associate member of the Governance & Bylaws and Member Communications & Education committees and observing and attending many ACCT board meetings.

NORTHEAST REGION

LeRoy W. Mitchell
Westchester Community College, NY

Throughout my life, I have been involved in educating the young and not so young. This period spans over forty years. I have taught students from kindergarten to graduate school. I even served on the executive board of a daycare center.

I am acutely aware of the need for affordable educational opportunities for all who need them. I am particularly sensitive to the challenges of the underrepresented population in our community, particularly as these challenges affect young African American and Latino males.

I am currently serving my tenth year on the board of Westchester Community College, NY, additionally I served as Treasurer for the New York Community College Trustees. I am an associate professor of accounting at Iona College, NY. I also serve on the boards of several community-based organizations. My training as a CPA, and my background in Public Administration, allow me to bring a unique contribution to ACCT where I currently serve as vice-chair.

I would be honored for the opportunity to continue my service on the ACCT board, and to contribute to its efforts in advocacy while we improve the chances for access and success for all our students.

PACIFIC REGION

Jane C. Strain
Cochise College, AZ

Elected to the Cochise College Governing Board in 1998, Jane has served as chair, secretary, and representative to the Arizona state trustee organization. In November 2012, she was re-elected to another six year term. January 2013, she was elected chair. Two different Arizona Governors, Janet Napolitano and Jan Brewer, have appointed her to serve on state level committees to review community college funding models. In recent years, she has attended two different Arizona town halls representing the community college perspective. She routinely speaks to civic organizations addressing community college topics. Within the ACCT family, Jane has served on the Public Policy, Communications and Education, and Governance and Bylaws Board Committees. Initially she represented Arizona during the State Coordinators Network formation. She served on the Pacific Region nomination committee and in 2009, was honored to receive the Pacific Region Trustee Leadership Award.

SOUTHERN REGION

David H. Talley
Palm Beach State College, FL

It is with humility that I seek the Southern Regional Director's position. At ACCT, I am completing my first term as director, having served on 3 committees, the Southern Regional Nominating Committee, State Coordinator, and, for the past two years, the Southern Regional Chair.

On the state level, I am immediate past chairman of the Trustee Commission of the Association of Florida Colleges, and, in 2009, was named Florida Community College Trustee of the Year. I also serve on the Board of Directors of the Florida College System Foundation.

At Palm Beach State College I have been a trustee since 1991, currently in my third 4-year term, presently serving as Chairperson for the third time.

It would be an honor to continue to serve as a director and continue to make a positive contribution to the community college system.

WESTERN REGION

Kent O. Miller
Mid-Plains Community College Area, NE

I have been a member of the Mid-Plains Community College Board of Governors for 31 years and was recently re-elected for a four year term that began in January 2013.

I have been a member of the Nebraska Community College Association Board of Directors for 18 years representing Mid-Plains Community College. I served as president of the Association during 1983, 1984, and 2002, and will serve as president in 2014.

I am an active supporter of Community Colleges including contacts with local, state, and federal officials.

Since 1975, I have attended many ACCT functions, was fortunate to serve on the ACCT Board of Directors from 1983-1989, and I continue to admire and respect the work of ACCT. I would very much like to serve on the ACCT Board of Directors and help in whatever way I can for continuing the excellent service ACCT provides for students of Community Colleges.

DIRECTOR-AT-LARGE

Sean Alveshire
Broward College, FL

Sean Alveshire is the Director of Corporate Affairs for Lewis, Longman & Walker, P.A., a statewide law firm with offices in West Palm Beach, Tallahassee, Jacksonville and Bradenton. He oversees the firm's corporate affairs and business development operations and engages the broader community on the firm's services and innovative solutions to environmental, regulatory, business and governmental challenges.

Mr. Alveshire is involved in multiple community and civic organizations. In addition to being Vice Chair of the Broward College Board of Trustees, he also serves as State Chair, Florida Trustee Commission for the Association of Florida Colleges (2011-2014); is a member of the Public Policy and Nominating Committee for the Association of Community College Trustees; Florida State College Foundation Board, Vice Chair and served as Chairman, 2009, William T. Dwyer Award for Excellence in Education; and Chairman 2010, 2011, 2012 for the Broward College Alumni Hall of Distinction.

A resident of Plantation, Florida, Alveshire is a graduate of Ithaca College with a Bachelor of Science in Communications.

Kirsten Diederich
North Dakota University System, ND

I am the current president of the North Dakota State Board of Higher Education (SBHE). The SBHE is the governing body for the North Dakota University System (NDUS). The NDUS consists of 11 campuses around the state: two research institutions, four bachelorette, and five community colleges. Prior to being elected president I served as chair for the student fee task force and the academic committee and was a member of the Budget, Audit and Finance committee.

In 2012 I was elected to be the North Dakota ACCT Coordinator and later appointed by our board president to fulfill a one-year term on the ACCT Board of Directors. I believe my experience of "system level governance" will be an asset for the ACCT because I can share with the Board the concerns that are unique to system level governing bodies, and also work to increase ACCT membership and involvement from other state systems.

William Greenhill
Tarrant County College District, TX

I believe that, in addition to exercising fiduciary obligations as an elected trustee, an equally important duty of a trustee is to be a strong advocate for the advancement of community college education while increasing recognition of the value and positive impact of community colleges to economic development

and growth of the nation. I strongly believe that education is a cornerstone of any community's economic wellbeing and quality of life.

I would be honored to serve on the Board of the Association of Community College Trustees to make a meaningful contribution to the community college system and to promote ACCT initiatives across the nation.

Connie Hornbeck
Iowa Western Community College, IA

My passion for Community Colleges began as a consumer, my father receiving ABE, my children as students, and, as a Small Business owner for the past 27 years, receiving specialized workforce training. My experience in Community College governance and advocacy began 18 years ago when elected to the IWCC Board of Trustees. I am the current Board Vice-Chair and represent IWCC on the Iowa Association of Community College Trustees. A past Chair of IACCT, I currently serve as Board-Treasurer, Chair of Financial-Oversight, Executive-Committee and Board-Development member, and as Commissioner of the Midwest-Higher-Education-Compact. I regularly attend ACCT Meetings and have served on ACCT Membership/Education, Finance/Audit, and Nominating Committees.

Through these varied consumer and leadership positions I would bring a broad range of perspectives to the ACCT Board in support of ACCT's mission. I would be truly honored to represent all constituencies on the ACCT Board. I ask for your support as ACCT Member at Large.

Greg Knott
Parkland College, IL

To *"Engage the Community in Learning"*, is our mission statement at Parkland College. As Community College leaders, we transform lives. I have seen it since the day I became a trustee at Parkland College.

At no time in American history is our job more important for our students. As trustees we have a unique opportunity to be the voice for these students in advocating the importance of the community colleges across the nation to decision makers at all levels.

I have served two years on the ACCT Finance & Audit committee, 2011-2013, and am actively involved in our state association. Additionally, I am a member of the Parkland College Foundation Board. Previously I served four terms on the Champaign County Illinois Board (Commissioner).

A Parkland College graduate myself, I am passionate in my job as Trustee and will work to ensure ACCT remains the premier voice for the benefit of our students.

Lana Puckorius
South Florida State College, FL

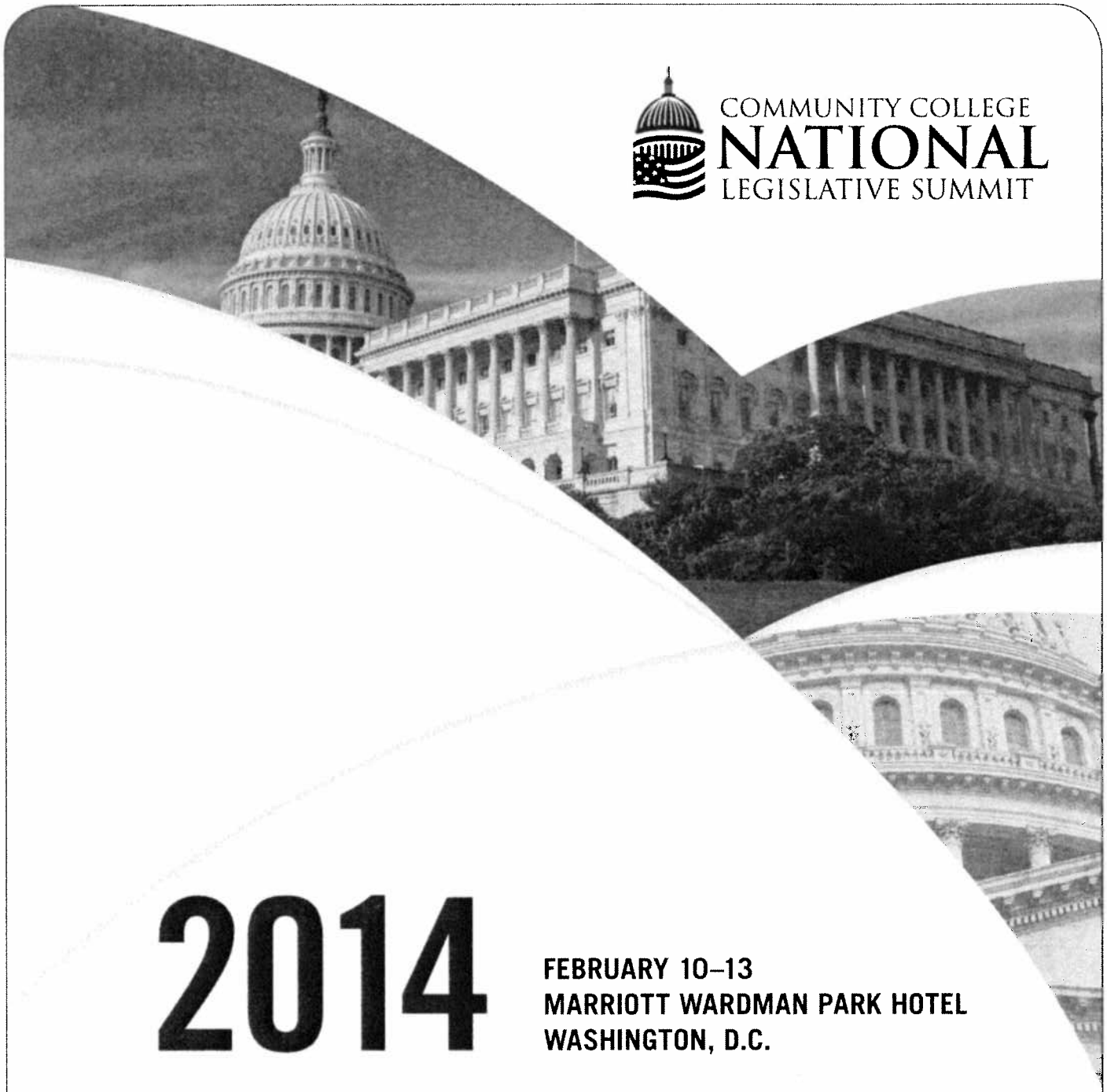
For the past 2 years, Lana Puckorius has been a Trustee of the District Board of Trustees for the South Florida State College in Avon Park, Florida. Previously she was President of the South Florida State College Foundation Board and is the Trustee liaison to the Foundation Board. She is an Hospice volunteer working with individual Hospice patients; served as a mentor to a student for seven years from the Take Stock in Children college scholarship program; and co-founded a group, Helping Hearts and Hands, building a college scholarship fund for single working mothers. Through ACCT Lana attended the New Trustees Orientation Program, the past two Legislative Summits and is an Associate Member of the Finance and Audit Committee. She desires to give back to education, retiring from her own financial services firm of 22 years, by becoming a Delegate-at-Large giving ACCT a devoted, caring and organized Board Member.

Dana Saar
Maricopa County Community College District, AZ

America's community colleges will continue to play a crucial role in moving our economy and communities forward. ACCT and its members, staff, and affiliates are keys to successfully identifying and reaching policy-based outcomes that support moving forward.

My experiences as a secondary education teacher and administrator; 14-year K-12 governing board member; and elected community college trustee for the past two years provide me with the unique ability to relate to all aspects of the educational spectrum. My Masters degree in career and technical education, along with classroom instruction, has proven to be a valuable asset for the unique workforce development responsibilities of our community colleges.

I will commit the time and energy needed to adequately represent the Pacific Region for ACCT. I look forward to working with the regional trustees to make sure their thoughts and concerns are well represented on the ACCT board of directors.



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Announcement of Diversity Committee Candidates

The Diversity Committee consists of 10 members, two from each region. Committee members serve staggered two-year terms. At ACCT's Annual Leadership Congress, one member is elected from each of the five regions at the Regional Caucuses and Meetings.

Regional Nominating Committees met during the 2013 National Legislative Summit (NLS) on February 11 to interview and nominate candidates for the Diversity Committee. Listed below are the candidates.

2013 Candidates for ACCT Diversity Committee

(1) Two-Year Term in Each Region.
The following is the slate of nominees:

CENTRAL REGION

Victor Gonzalez
Blackhawk Technical College, WI

Doris Graham
St. Louis Community College, IL

Eleanor MacKinney
Elgin Community College, IL

NORTHEAST REGION

Hector R. Ortiz*
Harrisburg Area Community College, PA

PACIFIC REGION

Edwin Hiel
Grossmont-Cuyamaca Community College District, CA

Diane Noriega
Mt. Hood Community College, OR

SOUTHERN REGION

Charles Robinson
York Technical College, SC

WESTERN REGION

Jimmy Sandoval*
Mesalands Community College, NM

*The 2013 Central Region Nominating Committee supported candidate Frances Huntley-Cooper. Unfortunately she is no longer a trustee at her college and therefore is ineligible to serve on the Diversity Committee. Therefore, the Central Region Nominating Committee has no endorsed candidate for this position.

Candidates with an asterisk received the support of their respective Regional Nominating Committees.

Note: Nominations will be accepted from the floor on all elections.

2013 Diversity Committee Candidate Statements

DIVERSITY COMMITTEE

CENTRAL REGION

VICTOR GONZALEZ
Blackhawk Technical College, WI

As each community served by our colleges grows and becomes more diverse, so should our governing boards. As a member of the ACCT Diversity Committee, I look forward to helping increase diversity across the ACCT membership and to promoting educational opportunities for all trustees to best serve increasingly diverse community needs. As a Mexican American trustee and business professional, I am sensitive to, and am dedicated to serving, the evolving needs of underrepresented populations among out boards, colleges, and overall communities.

Our local campuses serve increasingly diverse student bodies. In addition to ethnic and racial diversity, they are changing generationally, by gender, in terms of special needs populations and large numbers of new veterans, among others. We are the institutions that have always reflected the communities we serve. We can reflect and serve them even better, and I welcome the opportunity to help by serving on the Diversity Committee.

Doris Graham
St. Louis Community College, IL

Doris A. Graham, Ph.D., a board member from St. Louis Community College, retired in 2005 after 38 years in education. Graham currently serves as an Associate member of the ACCT Diversity Committee.

Graham was the first African American Woman to serve on the Ferguson-Florissant School District Board, and served on the Board for 23 years. During that time, the district twice was recognized as a school district of distinction by the Missouri School Boards Association.

Among the recognitions Graham has received for service is the Lifetime Achievement Award from the St. Louis Teachers Union, and the Legacy Award for Community Service from the National Council of Negro Women Inc.

Graham earned a doctorate in educational administration from Saint Louis University, a master's degree from the University of Missouri, and a bachelor's degree from Harris Stowe Teachers College. She also holds a master of arts from the Aquinas Institute of Theology.

Eleanor MacKinney
Elgin Community College, IL

As a little girl I drank from a fountain labeled "colored" and realized the water tasted the same as the "whites only" fountain. I declared, "Tell that man to take the signs down. There is no difference!" That experience began a lifelong journey of embracing equity and insisting on change.

As an administrator in one of the largest and most culturally diverse K-12 districts in Illinois, I have championed understanding and acceptance. As a trustee since 1999, I have upheld diverse practices everywhere including hiring, curriculum, student support, and training. National recognition of ECC's Alliance for College Readiness and Achieving the Dream Leader College status underscore our commitment. As a member of ICCTA's diversity committee, we offered workshops, established criteria for a state diversity award and worked toward equity/inclusion in state leadership.

My lifelong passions for education and diversity would make serving on the ACCT Diversity Committee a privilege.

NORTHEAST REGION

Hector R. Ortiz
Harrisburg Area Community College, PA

I am a trustee at Harrisburg Area Community College. I have been working in many ways in the field of diversity and advocating for education, equity and opportunity for post-secondary education. I am firmly convinced that the promotion of diversity, cultural sensitivity and inclusion are fundamental factors in generating equal opportunities and a philosophy of diversity that respects, promotes and protects any underrepresented community. My experience on different boards and cross-cultural organizations allows me to keep advocating for higher education and assuring that diversity, inclusion, accountability, diverse enrollment, graduation and achievement are measured and considered. I am currently serving as a Diversity Committee Associate Member. My intention is to continue serving and enhance the work that ACCT is doing. I really appreciate your consideration and thank you in advance for your support. My formal and informal education, experience in public service, community involvement and cross-cultural interaction provides me the background needed to serve on this committee.

PACIFIC REGION

Edwin Hiel
Grossmont-Cuyamaca Community College District, CA

In my three years as a trustee at the Grossmont-Cuyamaca Community College District, I have placed a high value on diversity and cultural competency in the two-college district in eastern San Diego County, California.
I believe that enriching the diversity of our community college faculty and staff is an important piece of meeting the needs of a diverse student population.

I currently work as a counselor/professor at San Diego City College, an urban campus recognized for its diverse student population. I also serve as the site compliance officer handling complaints of harassment and discrimination. I previously worked as a counselor at Cuyamaca College, and as a counselor for international students at Grossmont College. I am bilingual, and my wife and son are from Ecuador. I lived for many years in Latin America while working in international agricultural development with the Peace Corps and several nongovernmental organizations.

Diane Noriega
Mt. Hood Community College

My career has been defined by my commitment to diversity. My first job was in the central valley of California teaching the children of farmworkers. I recruited my students from the labor camps, going from hut to hut talking to the parents. It was a defining moment for me and I never looked back.

I have been a professor teaching students to teach English learners language and literacy. My first administrative position was in Educational Equity and Student Retention. I accepted the Provost position at CSU Monterey Bay because the campus has a vision statement that explicitly addresses culture and diversity.

After retiring from Monterey Bay, we moved to Oregon and I was drawn back to higher education very easily with Mt. Hood Community College. I have been a member of the Board of Education for 2 years and this year I am serving as Chair of the Board.

SOUTHERN REGION

Charles Robinson
York Technical College, SC

I would be honored to serve on the ACCT Diversity Committee, and I pledge my commitment as a transformational leader in our information and education based society.
My twenty-two years of service, including the past three as Chair of the York Commission for Technical Education has enabled me to embrace diversity as a core value in student success, workforce preparation, and economic development.

During the 2010-11 year, I became a SC District Optimist Governor with the mantra — "Collaborating Resources to Make Dreams Come True," and was awarded recognition as a Distinguished and Outstanding Governor by Optimist International, Inc.

I believe we truly have a past to cherish and a future to fulfill by continuing the legacy of outstanding service with the ACCT Diversity Committee and welcome the challenges and opportunities in store.

WESTERN REGION

Jimmy Sandoval
Mesalands Community College, NM

I have been actively involved in my community as an elected City Commissioner and have served on the Board of Trustees for Mesalands Community College in Tucumcari, New Mexico for 19 years.

I have always been interested in helping our people achieve the dream of equality through education. Today I see not only many Hispanic children but children of all cultures being passed over by society because of the lack of education and inspirations.

The challenge we face with diversity today is in educating everyone, not just minorities, to function in a diverse environment which gives us opportunities to learn about others' backgrounds and experiences as well as grow as individuals. Through education, we can be assured that our communities will be more productive and respectful of the unique differences we each possess. Diversity is our strength!

Ratification of Amendments to the ACCT *Bylaws*

AMENDMENT #1

Article V Senate, Section 5, Senate Vote

a. Voting Members shall have the right to one vote for each voting delegate present when the vote is taken. No delegate shall vote by proxy.

b. A quorum shall consist of one-fourth of the full voting strength of the Senate.

As written, subsection b could be interpreted to require one-fourth of the whole voting strength of the Association. There are roughly 650 voting delegates eligible to vote if every voting member district delegates were in attendance at the Senate. Therefore, with this interpretation, the quorum for the Senate can only be reached by having over 163 voting delegates.

While we hope to get as many voting delegates as possible at each Annual Congress, unforeseeable situations, such as a natural disaster can occur that limit the participation at the Senate and the Annual Community College Leadership Congress. The recommendation is to clarify that a quorum shall consist of a majority of those voting delegates who have registered for the Senate. This will ensure that the business of the Association continues to be done regardless of the number of delegates who have registered.

The new language would state: ***(b) A quorum shall consist of a majority of the total voting delegates registered for the Annual Meeting of the Senate.***

AMENDMENT #2

Article V Senate, Section 7 Resolutions, subsection d (2)

d. Proposed resolutions not meeting the requirements set forth above may be considered by the Senate under the following procedure:

1) The proposed resolution must be submitted to the president in writing, signed by the voting delegates of at least five Voting Members, prior to the Senate meeting.

2) The Senate must suspend the rules, without debate, by a three-fourths favorable vote of the voting delegates present and voting.

3) The proposed resolution must be adopted by a two-thirds favorable vote of the voting delegates present and voting.

Under subsection d (2), in order for the Senate to consider a resolution that does not originate from the Board of Directors or the Governance and Bylaws Committee, the Senate has to suspend the rules by a three-fourths vote. Typically, the parliamentary authority to suspend the rules is by a two-thirds affirmative vote. This change is also related to #4 (see below) which pertains to Amendments to the Bylaws.

The new language would state: ***(2) The Senate must suspend the rules, without debate, by a two-thirds favorable vote of the voting delegates present and voting.***

AMENDMENT #3

Article VII Board of Directors, Section 8, Quorum and Voting

a. A quorum shall consist of one-half of the voting members of the Board of Directors.

b. No Director shall vote by proxy.

The ACCT Board of Directors is comprised of 26 members, but this total may change if vacancies exist due to member's appointments or elections in local or state community college boards. If there is an odd total number of Board members, the bylaws do not provide for whether quorum should be rounded up or down. The recommendation would be to state that a quorum for the Board of Directors shall consist of the majority of directors.

The new language would state: ***(a) A quorum shall consist of a majority of voting members of the Board of Directors.***

Ratification of Amendments to the ACCT *Bylaws*

AMENDMENT #4

Article XIV Amendments, Section 2 Procedure

a. Proposed amendments shall be submitted in writing no later than July 1 of that year to the Governance and Bylaws Committee, through the president, unless proposed by said committee, for its consideration and its recommendations to the Board of Directors. Upon approval or disapproval by the Board of Directors, the proposal will be forwarded to the Senate for action with the Board of Director's recommendations.

b. If the Governance and Bylaws Committee recommends modification of a proposal and the Board of Directors approves the modification or approves an alternative modification, the sponsor shall be so notified of the proposed modification. Should the sponsor find the modification unacceptable, the original proposal, together with the Board of Director's recommendation, shall be submitted to the Senate for action.

c. Written notice of the proposed change shall be sent to each Voting Member at least thirty days prior to the Annual Meeting of the Senate.

d. The Senate shall consider all proposed amendments which meet the requirements and any proposed amendment shall require a two-thirds vote of those present and voting to be adopted.

e. An amendment becomes effective at the close of the Senate meeting at which it was adopted.

The current language within the Amendments to the Bylaws title does not include language on suspending the rules for consideration of an amendment to the Bylaws. Accordingly, since the language does not exist, parliamentary procedure would dictate that the Senate may suspend the rules regarding an amendment by a two-thirds vote. Therefore, we suggest that the language between amendments and resolutions be consistent.

The new language would state: ***f) Proposed amendments not meeting the requirements set forth above may be considered by the Senate if the Senate votes to suspend the rules to consider the amendment by a two-thirds vote. The amendment shall require a two-thirds vote to be adopted.***

AMENDMENT #5

Article XV Rules of Order

All meetings of the Senate, Board of Directors and Executive Committee and all Regional Caucuses shall be conducted in accordance with the latest edition of Roberts Rules of Order when not in conflict with these Bylaws or with rules of procedure adopted by the Senate or Board of Directors.

The proper name for the Robert's Rules of Order is Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised.

The new language would state: ***All meetings of the Senate, Board of Directors and Executive Committee and all Regional Caucuses shall be conducted in accordance with the latest edition of Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised when not in conflict with these Bylaws or with rules of procedure adopted by the Senate or Board of Directors.***

WASHINGTON STATE CONVENTION CENTER

SEATTLE, WASHINGTON, OCTOBER 2-5

ACCT REGIONAL CAUCUSES AND MEETINGS

Thursday, October 3, 2013
2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Regional Caucus Rules of Procedure
3. Regional Nominating Committee Report
4. Election of Regional Director(s)
5. Election of Nominating Committee Members
6. Election of Diversity Committee Member
7. Introduction of Director-at-Large Candidates
8. Regional Meeting
   a. Update on the ACCT State, Province, and Territory Coordinators Network
   b. Regional Business as Determined by the Regional Chair

REGIONAL CAUCUS RULES OF PROCEDURE

1. Seating arrangement: The voting delegate area is restricted to voting delegates only.
2. All voting delegates must wear their ACCT badge with "Voting Delegate" credentials.
3. In order for a delegate's vote to be counted on any matter, the delegate must be seated in the voting area.
4. ACCT's regional teller is responsible for distributing ballots to voting delegates, collecting ballots, counting ballots, and reporting results to the chair. The assistant regional teller and sergeant-at-arms help the regional teller with these responsibilities.
5. Candidates for director-at-large positions may be introduced individually within an organized group, may leave their campaign material in the caucus room, and may speak, but no longer than any other director-at-large candidate, at the discretion of the caucus chair.
6. Regional director elections will take place in accordance with rules listed in the ACCT *Bylaws*. A majority of ballots cast is necessary for election as director. On any ballot, voting delegates may cast as many votes as there are positions to be filled. On any ballot, only one vote may be cast for a candidate. If one or more candidate is elected on any ballot, then all remaining candidates shall continue to be eligible for election to any position remaining to be filled. If no person is elected on any ballot, then the candidate receiving the lowest number of votes on that ballot shall be dropped before the next ballot.
7. Regional Nominating Committees for the nomination of directors of the Association and the Diversity Committee shall be composed of five members each. These members shall be elected from the voting members of that region at caucuses held during the Annual Congress of the Association. No more than one member shall be from the same state. Vacancies shall be filled by the regional chair with consideration given to filling the vacancy with a trustee from the same state as the committee member who vacated the position. A member of the Board of Directors cannot serve as a member of the nominating committee. In order to be considered for nomination to the Board of Directors, a nominating committee member must tender his/her resignation to the regional chair, postmarked 30 days prior to the scheduled nominating committee meeting at the National Legislative Summit.
8. Nominating committee members shall serve for two year, staggered terms. They may serve more than one term, but terms may not be consecutive. The chair of each nominating committee shall be elected by the respective nominating committee at the close of the regional caucus and meeting.
9. Diversity Committee elections will take place using the same guidelines as outlined for regional director elections. A majority of ballots cast is necessary for election to the committee. On any ballot, voting delegates may cast as many votes as there are positions to be filled. On any ballot only one vote may be cast for a candidate. If one or more candidates are elected on any ballot, then all remaining candidates shall continue to be eligible for election to any position remaining to be filled. If no person is elected on any ballot, then the candidate receiving the lowest number of votes on that ballot shall be dropped before the next ballot.

Note: The ACCT Bylaws provide for nominations from the floor on all elections. Nominations must be made by a voting delegate from each candidate's respective institution. The voting delegate making the nomination must make the nomination on behalf of the member board and provide a letter affirming the member board's support at or before the nomination.

Campaign materials are not to be posted or distributed at the voting delegate sign-in table. Active campaigning is not allowed at the voting delegate sign-in table.

WASHINGTON STATE CONVENTION CENTER

SEATTLE, WASHINGTON, OCTOBER 2-5

ACCT SENATE MEETING

Friday, October 4, 2013
8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Senate Rules of Procedure
3. Introductions
4. Election of Directors-at-Large
5. Ratification of Amendments to the ACCT *Bylaws*
6. State of the Association and Financial Report to the Membership
7. Other items

SENATE RULES OF PROCEDURE

1. Seating arrangement: The voting delegate area is restricted to voting delegates only.
2. In order to vote, voting delegates must wear their ACCT badge with "Voting Delegate" credentials.
3. ACCT's regional teller is responsible for distributing ballots to voting delegates, collecting ballots, counting ballots, and reporting results to the chair. The assistant regional teller and sergeant-at-arms help the regional teller with these responsibilities.
4. All voting delegates must wear their ACCT badge with "Voting Delegate" designation.
5. In order for a delegate's vote to be counted on any matter, the delegate must be seated in the voting area.
6. Only voting delegates may speak on any motion and must go to a microphone in order to speak. No voting delegate may speak to any motion for more than two minutes. No voting delegate may speak to any motion a second time until all voting delegates who wish to address the motion have been recognized. Voting delegates may be recognized for further discussion at the will of the chair.
7. During the official Senate proceedings, non-voting trustees are restricted from the voting delegate area.
8. To be considered a valid nomination, nominations from the floor must be made at the microphone by a voting delegate from the candidate's institution. The voting delegate making the nomination must make the nomination on behalf of the member board and provide the chair a letter affirming the member board's support at or before the nomination.
9. The ACCT coordinator of tellers supervises the ballot counting reporting process in accordance with Bylaws rules and regulations.
10. Campaign materials are not to be posted or distributed within the Senate meeting room.
11. A majority of ballots cast is necessary for election as director-at-large. On any ballot, voting delegates may cast as many votes as there are positions to be filled. On any ballot, only one vote may be cast for a candidate. If one or more candidates are elected on any ballot, then all remaining candidates shall continue to be eligible for election to any position remaining to be filled. If no person is elected on any ballot, then the candidate receiving the lowest number of votes shall be dropped before the next ballot.

Note: The ACCT Bylaws provide for nominations from the floor on all elections. Nominations must be made by a voting delegate from each candidate's respective institution. The voting delegate making the nomination must make the nomination on behalf of the member board and provide a letter affirming the member board's support at or before the nomination.

Campaign materials are not to be posted or distributed at the voting delegate sign-in table. Active campaigning is not allowed at the voting delegate sign-in table.

ACCT Board Committees Seek Associates for 2014

Inviting member trustees to serve on ACCT Board Committees has expanded membership participation in the governance of the Association, while bringing new ideas and expertise to committee deliberations.

Committees for 2014 will be formed before the first of the year. Member trustees are asked to indicate their interest in serving as an associate committee member for a one-year term by **September 13, 2013**. Those interested in serving should submit the *2014 Associate Committee Interest Form* indicating committee preferences (if only one choice is listed and you are not selected to serve on the committee of your choice, you may not be placed on another committee unless a second and third choice are stated). If you wish to include comments relating to your committee choices and areas of expertise, you may fill this in under the "Comments" section of the form. Each request **must** have a letter of nomination from the individual's board supporting the appointment to an ACCT committee.

ACCT Committees seeking volunteer members are:

- **Diversity** — The Diversity Committee ensures leadership for the involvement of historically underrepresented populations within the governance activities of ACCT. It promotes respect for and acceptance of diverse individuals and promotes awareness and educational opportunity for underrepresented populations. It advises the ACCT Board by strengthening the links with the minority membership, identifying issues that require member input, and recommending strategies to gather input.
- **Finance and Audit** — The Finance and Audit Committee is responsible for monitoring executive compliance with fiscally related Policies and Bylaws, reviewing the annual budget, the financial audit, establishing procedures for the periodic audit of Association programs and services, and reporting to the Board of Directors.
- **Governance and Bylaws** — The Governance and Bylaws Committee is responsible to review resolutions related to the governance of the Association, amendments to the ACCT Bylaws, and Board Policies. In fulfilling this charge, the Committee helps ensure that the Board of Directors is fulfilling its role to represent the member boards in determining and demanding appropriate organizational performance through its written governing policies.
- **Member Communications and Education** — The Member Communications and Education Committee is responsible for evaluating and making recommendations to strengthen the Board's links with the membership; identifying issues that require member input; and recommending strategies to gather input. Additionally, they evaluate and make recommendations to strengthen current ACCT education programs, and recommend additional programs that promote effective board governance through advocacy and education.
- **Public Policy** — The Public Policy Committee is charged with reviewing public policy issues and recommending positions to the Board of Directors.

ACCT Board Policy states that the ACCT Chair will appoint committees. In making appointments, the chair will consider regional representation, gender, and diversity. Each committee chair shall be a member of the board of directors.

Associate members may be appointed to a committee under the following conditions:

1. They shall be selected from voting members.
2. They may serve three consecutive one-year terms per committee.
3. No more than one associate member from a college shall serve on any one board committee.
4. All related expenses are to be the responsibility of their college.
5. They have full voting rights.
6. They shall have a letter of nomination from their board supporting the appointment to an ACCT committee.

Please Note: Associate Committee Members currently serving in 2013 MUST re-apply if they are interested in serving in 2014.

ACCT committees will meet in 2014 just prior to the Community College National Legislative Summit scheduled February 10-13 at the Marriott Wardman Park Hotel in Washington, D.C., and a day or two before the Annual Community College Leadership Congress in Chicago, Illinois, October 22 – 25. Committee work may also be done through e-mail and postal mail.

If you are interested in serving and your board will send a letter of nomination and financially support your attendance, please submit the following:

1. 2014 Associate Committee Interest Form (see page 13)
2. A letter of nomination from your board supporting your appointment to an ACCT committee.

These documents must be received at ACCT by September 13, 2013. Send to the **ACCT Chair** by **e-mailing (preferred)** assocmemb@acct.org, Faxing (202) 223-1297, or via standard mail to ACCT, 1233 20th Street, NW, Suite 301, Washington, DC 20036.

2014 Associate Committee Interest Form

Please rank the committees in your preferred order of service (1=Most Preferred; 5=Least Preferred).

- *If only one choice is listed and you are not selected to serve on the committee of your choice, you may NOT be placed on another committee unless a second and third choice is stated.*

_____ Diversity Committee

_____ Finance and Audit Committee

_____ Governance and Bylaws Committee

_____ Member Communications and Education Committee

_____ Public Policy Committee

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(Please fill out completely)

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TITLE INSTITUTION

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NAME PHONE E-MAIL

☐ Letter of nomination from your board supporting the appointment to an ACCT committee enclosed (REQUIRED)

COMMENTS:

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Seeking Regional Nominating Committee Members for 2014-2015

ACCT Regional Chairs invite member trustees to serve on Regional Nominating Committees. The commitment of Nominating Committee members in carrying out their duties helps to ensure that the Association's future leadership is comprised of member trustees who have demonstrated quality leadership in community colleges. Nominating Committee members nominate candidates who are committed to and support the fulfillment of ACCT's mission — *Promoting Effective Board Governance through Advocacy and Education.*

Benefits of Serving on a Regional Nominating Committee

- *Identify effective future leaders;*
- *Serve as a stepping-stone for you to aspire to a future leadership position;*
- *Strengthen leadership in your region; and*
- *Ensure more benefits to your college and state through strong, effective leadership of the association.*

Responsibilities

Regional Nominating Committees are the key to a successful election process for the ACCT Board of Directors and Diversity Committee. Each year, the committees are responsible for reviewing candidate applications, interviewing candidates, and nominating a person(s) for Regional Director and Diversity Committee membership. Nominating Committees may also support Director-at-Large candidates.

Election/Composition/Terms

Each of ACCT's five regions elects a nominating committee from the Voting Members of that region at the regional caucuses held during the Annual ACCT Leadership Congress. Nominating Committees are composed of five members each. No more than one member shall be from the same state. Nominating Committee members shall serve two years on staggered terms. They may serve more than one term, but terms may not be consecutive. The chair of each Nominating Committee shall be elected by the members of the respective Nominating Committee at the close of the regional caucus.

Below are the seats that need to be filled for 2014-2015 terms:

CENTRAL REGION

Two (2) seats will be available to members from the following states:

Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio, and Wisconsin.

Jan Lund (IA), Joan DiLeonardi (IL), and Melissa Hattman (MO) will continue to serve in 2014.

NORTHEAST REGION

Three (3) seats will be available to members from the following states:

Delaware, Massachusetts, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania.

Caroline Osinga (NY) and Lynn Skerpon (MD) will continue to serve through 2014.

PACIFIC REGION

Four (4) seats will be available to members from the following states/territories:

Alaska, Arizona, California, Guam, Hawaii, Idaho, Nevada, Utah, Washington, American Samoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and Republic of Palau.

Ron Pitman (OR) will continue to serve through 2014.

SOUTHERN REGION

Four (4) seats will be available to members from the following states/territories:

Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, West Virginia, Bermuda, and Virgin Islands.

Bruce Neilson (VA) will continue to serve through 2014.

WESTERN REGION

Three (3) seats will be available to members from the following states:

Colorado, Kansas, Montana, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, and Wyoming.

Helen Griffin (NE) and William Greenhill (TX) will continue to serve in 2014.

ACCT STATE, PROVINCE, AND TERRITORY COORDINATORS NETWORK

CENTRAL REGION

Jeffrey A. May
Regional Chair
Joliet Junior College, IL

Illinois
Diane Gallagher
Highland Community College

Indiana
Lee Marchant
Ivy Tech Community College

Iowa
Moudy Nabulsi
Southeastern Community College

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Kentucky Community and Technical College System

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Monroe County Community College

Minnesota
Cheryl Dickson
Minnesota State Colleges and Universities

Missouri
Ron Wineinger
State Fair Community College

Ohio
Darryl Mehaffie
Edison Community College

Wisconsin
Robert (Bob) Beaver
Mid-State Technical College

NORTHEAST REGION

Bakari Lee
Regional Chair
Hudson County Community College, NJ

Delaware
John Maiorano
Delaware Technical and Community College

Maryland
Donna Horgan
Cecil College

Massachusetts
Antoine Melay
Bunker Hill Community College

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City University of New York

New York
Dave Mathis
Mohawk Valley Community College

Pennsylvania
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Jim Harper
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University of Hawaii System

Nevada
Andrea Anderson
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Oregon
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Columbia Gorge Community College

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Tyler Page
Renton Technical College

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Gina Ramos
Guam Community College

Northern Mariana Islands
Juan T. Lizama
Northern Marianas College

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Palm Beach State College, FL

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Southeast Arkansas College

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Robert Chester
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Brett Mellington
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Mississippi
Dennis Hawkins
Coahoma Community College

North Carolina
Robert Comer
Surry Community College

South Carolina
Robert Reid
Trident Technical College

Virginia
Mike Wooten
Northern Virginia Community College

West Virginia
Leslie Baker
New River Community and Technical College

WESTERN REGION

Roberto Zárate
Regional Chair
Alamo Colleges, TX

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Pratt Community College

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Northern Wyoming Community College District

CURRENT STATE, PROVINCE AND TERRITORY COORDINATOR VACANCIES

Alaska, California, Colorado, Idaho, Bermuda, American Samoa, British Virgin Islands, and Republic of Palau.

ACCT DEADLINES

Application to Serve as Associate Committee Member in 2014
September 13, 2013

National Legislative Summit Early Bird Registration
December 20, 2013

National Legislative Summit Hotel Registration
January 10, 2014

Board of Directors Candidate Nominations
January 17, 2014

Diversity Committee Candidate Nominations
January 17, 2014

Visit www.acct.org for more information.

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ACCT LEADERSHIP CONGRESS

PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

(Subject to change.)

GRAND HYATT SEATTLE AND WASHINGTON STATE CONVENTION CENTER

September 30 – October 5, 2013

Monday, September 30	4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.	MEETING: ACCT Board of Directors Executive Committee – Grand Hyatt Seattle
Tuesday, October 1	8:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	MEETING: ACCT Finance and Audit Committee – Grand Hyatt Seattle
		MEETING: ACCT Public Policy Committee – Grand Hyatt Seattle
		MEETING: ACCT Member Communications and Education Committee– Grand Hyatt Seattle
	9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	MEETING: ACCT Diversity Committee – Grand Hyatt Seattle
	10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	MEETING: ACCT Governance and Bylaws Committee – Grand Hyatt Seattle
	11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	OPENING LUNCHEON: Symposium *(By Invitation Only)* – Grand Hyatt Seattle
	1:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.	Symposium *(By Invitation Only)* – Grand Hyatt Seattle
	5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.	MEETING: ACCT Trust Fund Board – Grand Hyatt Seattle
	5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.	RECEPTION: Symposium *(By Invitation Only)* – Grand Hyatt Seattle
Wednesday, October 2	7:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.	ACCT REGISTRATION – Washington State Convention Center
		VOTING DELEGATE DESK– Washington State Convention Center
	8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	MEETING: ACCT Corporate Council Roundtable – Washington State Convention Center
	8:00 a.m. – 11:30 p.m.	Symposium *(By Invitation Only)* – Grand Hyatt Seattle
	10:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.	PRE-CONGRESS ACADEMY: THE CHAIR'S ACADEMY: THE LEADERSHIP TEAM OF THE BOARD – Washington State Convention Center
	11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.	PRE-CONGRESS ACADEMY: EFFECTIVE BOARD GOVERNANCE: POLICY GOVERNANCE TO TRADITIONAL MODELS – Washington State Convention Center
		PRE-CONGRESS ACADEMY: THE BOARD'S GUIDE TO PRESIDENTIAL CONTRACTS – Washington State Convention Center
		POLICY AND GUIDELINES FOR FISCAL HEALTH & MANAGEMENT – Washington State Convention Center

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GRAND HYATT SEATTLE AND WASHINGTON STATE CONVENTION CENTER

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Wednesday, October 2	11:30 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.	CLOSING LUNCHEON: Symposium *(By Invitation Only)* – Grand Hyatt Seattle
	1:15 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	MEETING: ACCT Board of Directors – Grand Hyatt Seattle
	3:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.	MEETING: ACCT State, Province and Territory Coordinators Network – Washington Convention Center
	4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.	TASTE OF SEATTLE MARKETPLACE Hosted by the Washington State Community Colleges – Washington State Convention Center
	5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	OPENING GENERAL SESSION – Washington State Convention Center
		Keynote Speaker: Bill Gates, Co-Chair and Trustee, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation
Thursday, October 3	7:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.	ACCT REGISTRATION – Washington State Convention Center
		VOTING DELEGATE DESK – Washington State Convention Center
	8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	CONCURRENT SESSIONS – Washington State Convention Center
	9:15 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.	CONCURRENT SESSIONS – Washington State Convention Center
	10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	CONCURRENT SESSIONS – Washington State Convention Center
Thursday, October 3	11:45 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.	GENERAL SESSION LUNCHEON – Washington State Convention Center
		Keynote Speaker: Jamie Merisotis, President and CEO, Lumina Foundation
	2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	ACCT REGIONAL CAUCUSES AND MEETINGS – Washington State Convention Center
	1:45 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.	SPECIAL SESSION: Professional Board/Staff Network (PBSN) Workshop SESSIONS – Washington State Convention Center
	2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	CONCURRENT SESSIONS – Washington State Convention Center
	2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	MEETING: ACCT Advisory Committee of Presidents
	2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	MEETING: Community College Lawyers Roundtable –Washington State Convention Center
	3:15 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.	CONCURRENT SESSIONS – Washington State Convention Center

	3:15 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.	MEETING: ACCT Chair's Advisory Committee
	3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	MEETING: AACC Presidents Academy Executive Committee
	TBD	MEETING: Association of Latino Community College Trustees – Washington State Convention Center
	4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.	SPECIAL SESSIONS
	5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	WELCOME RECEPTION – Washington State Convention Center
Friday, October 4	7:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	MEETING: National Council of State Association Chief Executives – Washington State Convention Center
	8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.	ACCT REGISTRATION – Washington State Convention Center
	8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	CONCURRENT SESSIONS – Washington State Convention Center
	8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	ACCT SENATE MEETING – Washington State Convention Center
	9:15 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.	CONCURRENT SESSIONS – Washington State Convention Center
	10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	CONCURRENT SESSIONS – Washington State Convention Center
	10:30 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.	MEETING: African American Trustees – Washington State Convention Center
	12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.	GENERAL SESSION LUNCHEON – Washington State Convention Center
	2:15 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	MEETING: Asian, Pacific Islander and Native American Trustees
	2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	CONCURRENT SESSIONS – Washington State Convention Center
	3:00 p.m – 4:15 p.m.	MEETING: ACCT Board of Directors – Washington State Convention Center
	3:45 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.	CONCURRENT SESSIONS – Washington State Convention Center
	7:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.	ANNUAL AWARDS GALA – Washington State Convention Center
Saturday, October 13	8:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	WELCOME SESSION: New ACCT Board Members – Washington State Convention Center
	9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	BRIEFING: ACCT Regional Nominating Committees – Washington State Convention Center
	10:15 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	CLOSING GENERAL SESSION BRUNCH– Washington State Convention Center
		Keynote Speakers: The "View" on Accreditation
		Barbara A. Beno, Ph.D., President, Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges
		Barbara Brittingham, Ph.D., Director of the Commission, New England Association of Schools and Colleges Commission on Institutions of Higher Education
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