

Seminole State College
CAMPUS MEMO

From Dr. Jim Utterback – President

March 8, 2010

We are only a few days away from Spring Break – and then the downhill slide through the end of the Spring semester. I hope you have plans to enjoy a few days off – whether travelling or relaxing at home. I feel fortunate that we are able to have all of our employees join students in this much-needed break before the hustle and bustle of activities and events that fill the final weeks of the term.

I wanted to update you on a couple of matters of interest.

HLC FORMAL NOTIFICATION

Seminole State College has received formal notification of our ten-year accreditation from the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools. The status report was publicly released by the Commission on their website on March 1, 2010. The “Statement of Affiliation Status” confirms that 2019-2020 will be the date for our next comprehensive evaluation. Additionally, the report states there are no stipulations on the accreditation, no reports required and no other visits scheduled. Of course, this is what we were anticipating --- but, it is still great to receive the official news! I am very proud of everyone associated with this process. Rarely in our professional careers do we have the opportunity to participate in something of this magnitude of importance to the future of the institution.

SHAPING THE FUTURE CAMPAIGN

I am pleased to report that our “quiet phase” of the SSC Educational Foundation’s *Shaping the Future* campaign is going very well. As you know, we are soliciting support from our SSC family prior to asking for help from community friends. The response from those on campus has been tremendous! Over the past few weeks, we have received pledge cards, notifications of payroll deductions and cash gifts from 45 employees totaling close to \$60,000! We are hoping to have 100% participation. To create momentum for the Campaign, a couple of our donors have provided private funds to purchase shirts for members of our faculty and staff who have made financial commitments. If you have made a pledge, please contact Cindy Guinn at Ext. 542 regarding your shirt size. If you need additional information about the campaign, please note that it is available at the following link: <http://sscok.edu/shapingthefuture.pdf>. THANK YOU for your support!

SAVE THE DATE: Thursday, May 6, 2010 – SSC Spring Recognition Banquet