

AGENDA ITEM 7.F.

RE: Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges Fifth-Year Interim Review – Referral Report Update

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: No action is requested. This item is presented for information only.

BACKGROUND: As part of the normal accreditation cycle with the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC), Laredo College completed its Fifth-Year Interim Review in November 2025. The Review Committee found the College in compliance with the majority of standards reviewed, including all applicable Core Requirements.

As part of the standard review process, SACSCOC requested a Referral Report addressing two standards for which additional clarification and documentation were requested:

- Standard 6.2.b – Program Faculty
- Standard 14.4 – Representation to Other Accrediting Agencies

This request is procedural and does not represent a final determination regarding accreditation status. Laredo College remains fully accredited and in good standing. Final action by the SACSCOC Board of Trustees will occur following review of the Referral Report at its Summer 2026 meeting.

Next Steps:

- The College will submit a focused Referral Report addressing only the two cited standards.
- The report will provide clarification and limited supporting documentation consistent with SACSCOC guidance.
- Submission deadline: April 1, 2026.

BUDGETARY CONSIDERATIONS: There are no budgetary implications associated with this item.

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