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To: King, Serenity R
Subject: FW: Mission Statement

From: Belle Wheelan Private [mailto:belle.wheelan@sacscoc.org]
Sent: Wednesday, December 20, 2006 9:54 AM
To: Nelsen, Robert S
Cc: Rudy Jackson; Carol Hollins; Rita Bell
Subject: RE: Mission Statement

I have read the documents you sent and conferred with Dr. Carol Hollins who handles most of our substantive changes and we both concur that this is NOT a substantive change. As long as you document the changes and the rationale for them in your next compliance report, you'll be fine.

Have a great holiday!

From: Nelsen, Robert S [mailto:nelsen@utdallas.edu]
Sent: Saturday, December 16, 2006 12:39 PM
To: Belle S. Wheelan
Subject: FW: Mission Statement

Dear Dr. Wheelan:

I spoke to Dr. Jackson about the emails below at the conference this week, and he asked me to forward them to you. Basically, we have a new president, hence a new strategic plan, hence a slightly modified university mission statement. The UT System Board of Regents and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board have approved the changes—neither unit considered the changes substantive. Nonetheless, I want to be certain that SACS concurs...hence this email. I have attached the documents, but for your convenience I will post the two versions directly below.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely
 Robert Nelsen

This revised Mission Statement for The University of Texas at Dallas is:

The University of Texas at Dallas serves the Metroplex and the State of Texas as a global leader in innovative, high quality science, engineering, and business education and research. The University is committed to (1) producing engaged graduates, prepared for life, work, and leadership in a constantly changing world, (2) advancing excellent educational and research programs in the natural and social sciences, engineering and technology, management, and the liberal, creative, and practical arts, and (3) transforming ideas into actions that directly benefit the personal, economic, social, and cultural lives of the citizens of Texas.

The old version:

The mission of The University of Texas at Dallas is to provide Texas and the nation with the benefits of educational and research programs of the highest quality. These programs address the multidimensional needs of a dynamic modern society driven by the development, diffusion, understanding and management of advanced technology.

Within the context of this mission, the goals of the University are:

- To provide able, ambitious students with a high-quality, cost-effective education that combines the nurturing environment of a liberal arts college with the intellectual rigor and depth of a major research university;
- To discover new knowledge and create new art that enriches civilization-at-large and contributes significantly to economic and social progress;
- To enhance the productivity of business and government with strategically designed, responsively executed programs of research, service and education.

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