

## WESTERN STATES CHIROPRACTIC COLLEGE

There has been a great deal of concern by the Board, administration, faculty and students concerning W.S.C.C.'s application for accreditation with the Council on Chiropractic Education. Because of this there have been rumors and feelings of frustrations which have manifested themselves in several ways. This memorandum will hopefully clarify some of the issues that have been raised in the past three weeks.

In an effort to obtain an off-campus opinion of our accreditation process contact was made with Dr. Paul Silverman, who is our official C.C.E. consultant. Dr. Silverman is the Provost of the New York State University System and President of the Research Foundation of State University of New York. A copy of his evaluation is included with the posting of this memorandum. In addition to his letter response Dr. Silverman was contacted

on Wednesday evening, February 21, 1979 at which time Board members were able to question Dr. Silverman in depth relative to the college program to obtain accreditation and the additional steps which should be taken by the college. During this conversation Dr. Silverman indicated that in his opinion the materials that W.S.C.C. had supplied to C.C.E. indicated that the college had met the deficiencies which had been previously noted. He recommended several things which he felt would clarify the situation with C.C.E. The Board and administration will be pursuing these avenues immediately.

To review the situation, the three major concerns of C.C.E. last June were the Statement of Educational Mission in the catalog, the Articles and By-Laws of the college and the financial interrelationship of H.R.F. and W.S.C.C. These things have all been addressed by the Board of Trustees and these problems have been resolved. There were minor concerns of C.C.E. last June which related to faculty-administration stability, clinical aspects of the college program and research. These three areas have received a

months. These things have been reported formally to O.C.E. and must again be reemphasized to them for clarification.

The Board and administration appreciate the concern of the student body over the issues of accreditation, but because of the confidentiality of these proceedings communication to students concerning this had to be more restrictive than students might wish. There has never been any intention to withhold relevant information.

After a thorough review of these matters was held by the Board Wednesday evening, February 21, 1979, a solid vote of confidence was given President Timmins and his procedures for working toward accreditation.

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