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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** The College Community  
**FROM:** Judith Gay  
**DATE:** August 24, 2007  
**SUBJECT:** Periodic Review Report Co-Chairs

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In June 2004, our regional accreditor, the Middle States Commission on Higher Education, reaffirmed our institutional accreditation following submission of our College's 10 year self study. Every accredited institution is required to follow this decennial study five years later with a Periodic Review Report (PRR). Thus, our PRR is due Spring 2009.

The PRR is defined as a "retrospective, current, and prospective analysis of the institution" that "should demonstrate that the institution meets the standards by which the Commission reaffirms or denies accredited status." Like the decennial self study, this is an important requirement that needs broad participation, reflection and careful preparation.

I am pleased and grateful that Kathleen Smith, Department Head for Social Science, and Jacqueline Akins, Department Head for History and Philosophy, have agreed to lead this effort for the College. I am confident that with their leadership and with the support and contributions of members of the College community, we will submit a PRR on time that will assure the Commission that we continue to meet the standards for accreditation.

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