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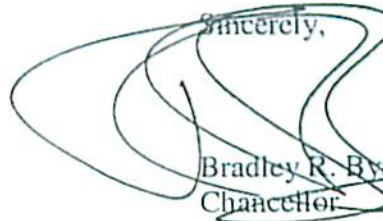
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LAWSON STATE COMMUNITY COLLEGE
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

Dr. Perry W. Ward, President
T. A. Lawson State Community College
3060 Wilson Road, Southwest
Birmingham, Alabama 35221

Dear President Ward:

The State Board of Education (SBE) at its August 28, 2008 meeting approved the revised Mission Statement for T.A. Lawson State Community College. Enclosed is a copy of the adopted action item for your files.

Sincerely,

Bradley R. Byrne
Chancellor

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Enclosure

cc: SBE Secretary
Operations and Planning Division (DPE)

ALABAMA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
ALABAMA COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM

RECOMMENDATION FOR ACTION

August 28, 2008
Date of Board Meeting Action

Action Item Number VIII.A.8.
President's Request
Source

ACTION ITEM TITLE

T. A. LAWSON STATE COMMUNITY COLLEGE
Revised Mission Statement

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended "That the Alabama State Board of Education approve the revised Mission Statement for Lawson State Community College."

FISCAL CONSIDERATION

None

RATIONALE

In accordance with the strategic planning process of Lawson State Community College as mandated by the State Board of Education and the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, the mission statement of the college must undergo periodic review. The most recent review resulted in recommendations to modify it. The *Criteria for Accreditation* of the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools stipulates that the mission statement of each institution must be approved by the governing board. The revised Mission Statement for Lawson State Community College, last approved by the Board on June 23, 2005, is therefore submitted to the Board for its approval.

Code/Statute COA 16-60-111.4
Policy

Director 1 1
Date

Legal Counsel 1 1
Date

Don Edwards 8/14/08
Vice Chancellor Date

[Signature] 8/14/08
Chancellor Date

Action by Board:
<input type="checkbox"/> Tabled
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>8-28-08</u> Approved
<input type="checkbox"/> Disapproved
<input type="checkbox"/> Amended (describe)
<input type="checkbox"/> Additional action required

T. A. LAWSON STATE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Mission Statement

Lawson State Community College is a comprehensive, public, two-year, multi-campus college, which seeks to provide accessible quality educational opportunities, promote economic growth and enhance the quality of life for people in its service area. The College is dedicated to providing affordable and accessible lifelong learning opportunities in order to prepare students for employment or career advancement, enable students to transfer to senior colleges and universities, and provide customized training needs for business and industry.