April 24, 2009

Chief Academic Officers
University System of Georgia

RE: Regents Administrative Committee on Effectiveness and Accreditation (RACEA)

Issues concerning institutional effectiveness and SACS accreditation present significant opportunities and challenges to all USG institutions. The purposes of this letter are to:

1. Inform you concerning a change to the Regents Administrative Committee on Institutional Effectiveness (RACIE); and
2. Request that you appoint one voting representative to the RACEA (the new successor to RACIE)

Changes to RACIE (now RACEA)

RACIE recently recommended that it be restructured and renamed to respond to emerging needs and issues. Attached is a summary of the recommendations. This has been approved by the USG. RACIE is now RACEA.

Your Voting Representatives

RACIE's membership was limited to approximately fifteen. RACEA's voting membership has been broadened to include all USG institutions.

Attached is a list of the current members of the committee. Please review that list and send a message either confirming your current appointee or transmitting the name, title and email address of your new appointee (your SACS liaison, IE director, assessment coordinator or QEP director) to Pat Wright at pat.wright@usg.edu. Please send this by May 15, 2009.

Please note that the new structure also will allow even broader participation in RACEA via the appointment of additional institutional representative (non-voting affiliates). We will contact you about those additional representatives at a later date.

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We believe this new direction for RACEA (formerly RACIE) will enable RACEA to operate as a vibrant, system-wide network in the challenging areas of IE and accreditation.

Sincerely,

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Attachments

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