

## Press Release

### ACCSC Appoints Public Commissioners

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In October 2009, the Accrediting Commission of Career Schools and Colleges (ACCSC) began the Commissioner Nomination Process in order to appoint two individuals to serve as ACCSC Public Commissioners. After an extensive interview process which culminated at the Commission's February 2010 meeting, ACCSC is pleased to announce the appointments of **Dr. Betty Sundberg** and **Dr. Rachel Wise** to the Commission. Dr. Sundberg and Dr. Wise will each serve a four year term as a Public Commissioner beginning on July 1, 2010 and ending on June 30, 2014.

**Dr. Betty Sundberg** is a widely recognized educator in postsecondary education and has served in administrative and faculty roles in higher education for more than thirty-five years. Her experiences include professional responsibilities in all segments of California public and private sector colleges, and universities; regional and national accrediting commissions; and recognized agencies such as the College Board, U.S. Department of Education, and the American Council on Education. Dr. Sundberg is one of ACCSC's most prolific volunteers and in 2007, in recognition of her service to the ACCSC community, the Commission selected Dr. Sundberg as the Education Specialist of the Year. Dr. Sundberg earned an AA degree from the College of the Redwoods, a B.A. and M.A. from Humboldt University, and an Ed.D. from the University of San Francisco.

**Dr. Rachel Wise** is currently serving as the Chief Operating Officer for Building Bright Futures in Omaha, Nebraska. Prior to this position, Dr. Wise served as the Director of Secondary Education for Omaha Public Schools. Dr. Wise, a lifelong advocate for post high school planning, brings over thirty years of service in public education and human services to the Commission including serving as the Past President of the Nebraska Association for Career and Technical Education, and serving as a member of the Governor's Task Force for Agricultural and Natural Resources Education for the state of Nebraska. Dr. Wise has also been an active volunteer with ACCSC, previously serving as a Public Commissioner and Vice-Chair of the Commission, and as an Education Specialist, participating on numerous onsite evaluations to ACCSC accredited institutions. Dr. Wise earned a BS, M.Ed., and Ph.D. from the University of Nebraska- Lincoln.

Please join ACCSC in congratulating **Dr. Betty Sundberg** and **Dr. Rachel Wise** on their appointments as Public Commissioners.

