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February 17, 2012

Ms. Pam Tajima Praeger Acting President Spokane Falls Community College 3410 West Fort George Wright Drive Spokane, WA 99224

Dear President Praeger:

On behalf of the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities, I am pleased to report that the accreditation of Spokane Falls Community College has been reaffirmed on the basis of the Fall 2011 Year One Evaluation.

In reaffirming accreditation, the Commission requests that the College address Recommendations 1 and 2 of the Fall 2011 Year One Peer-Evaluation Report as part of its updated response to Standard One in its Fall 2013 Year Seven Self-Evaluation. Further, the Commission revised Recommendation 2 as follows:

The College should more clearly articulate the relationship of the eight bullet points, five core themes, 15 objectives, and 55 performance indicators in order to establish that these indicators are meaningful, assessable, and verifiable and "individually manifest essential elements of its mission and collectively encompass its mission" (Standard 1.B.1).

In addition, the Commission requests that the College update Eligibility Requirements 2 and 3 in its Fall 2013 Year Seven Self-Evaluation Report. A copy of the Recommendations is enclosed for your reference.

In making this request, the Commission finds that Recommendations 1 and 2 of the Fall 2011 Year One Peer-Evaluation Report are substantially in compliance with Commission criteria for accreditation, but in need of improvement.

If you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

All the best.

Sincerely,

Sandra E. Elman

President

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Enclosure:

Recommendations

cc:

Dr. James E. Minkler, Vice President of Learning

Year One Peer-Evaluation Report Fall 2011 Spokane Falls Community College Recommendations

- 1. The evaluation panel recommends that the College define mission fulfillment and articulate an acceptable threshold of mission fulfillment (Standard 1.A.2).
- 2. The evaluation panel recommends that the College more clearly articulate the relationship of the eight bullet points, five core themes, 15 objectives, and 55 performance indicators in order to establish that these indicators are meaningful, assessable, and verifiable and "individually manifest essential elements of its mission and collectively encompass its mission" (Standard 1.B.1).