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July 10, 2017

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Dear President Hernandez: *Jean-*

On behalf of the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities, I am pleased to report that the accreditation of Edmonds Community College has been reaffirmed on the basis of the Spring 2017 Year Seven *Mission Fulfillment and Sustainability* Evaluation which was expanded to address Recommendations 2 and 3 of the Spring 2014 Year Three Peer-Evaluation Report. This matter was the subject of correspondence dated July 30, 2014. Congratulations on receiving this continued recognition.

In reaffirming accreditation, the Commission determined that its expectations with regard to Recommendations 2 and 3 of the Spring 2014 Year Three Peer-Evaluation Report have been fulfilled. Moreover, the Commission rescinded Recommendation 2 of the Spring 2017 Year Seven Peer-Evaluation Report. The Commission requests that the College submit an Ad Hoc Report without a visit in spring 2018 to address Recommendation 1 of the Spring 2017 Year Seven Peer-Evaluation Report. The Spring 2018 Ad Hoc Report is to be a separate report from the College's Spring 2018 *Mission and Core Themes* Report. A copy of the revised Recommendation is enclosed for your reference.

In making this request, the Commission finds that Recommendation 1 of the Spring 2017 Year Seven Peer-Evaluation Report is an area where Edmonds Community College is substantially in compliance with Commission criteria for accreditation, but in need of improvement.

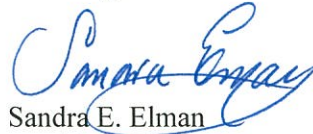
The Commission commends Edmonds Community College for its emphasis on reinforcing its core value of diversity, inclusion, and respect and the College's faculty, staff, and administration for their strong commitment to student achievement, experience, and success. Furthermore, the College's library personnel are to be commended for the relationships they have forged with faculty and students in support of student success. The Commission applauds the College's faculty for their impact on student learning outcomes and teaching practices, and the exemplary partnerships among faculty, local business, and community organizations. Additionally, the Commission commends the College for its collaborative efforts to achieve the strategic goals of student access and progression.

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

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Best wishes for a rewarding 2017-2018 academic year.

Sincerely,



Sandra E. Elman
President

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Enclosure: Recommendation

cc: Mr. Jim Mulik, Director of Evaluation and Assessment
Ms. Diana Clay, Chair, Board of Trustees
Ms. Jan Yoshiwara, Executive Director, WA State Board for Community and Technical Colleges

Year Seven *Mission Fulfillment and Sustainability* Evaluation
Spring 2017
Edmonds Community College
Recommendation
Revised

1. While the evaluation committee recognizes that the College has a strong commitment to continuous improvement, and is creating a strong culture of evidence, the committee recommends that core theme planning be defined by the collection of appropriately defined data that are analyzed and used to evaluate the accomplishment of core theme objectives and the achievement of the intended outcomes (Standard 3.B.3).