

# Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities

## **2010 ANNUAL MEETING**

Doubletree Hotel Seattle Airport

February 18, 2010

### **POLITICAL REALITIES AND ECONOMIC CONSTRAINTS: CREATIVELY CONFRONTING CHALLENGES IN HIGHER EDUCATION**

7:45 a.m. **Registration and Continental Breakfast**

8:30 a.m. **Welcome and Announcements**

**Edwin O. McFarlane**, Chair

Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities

**Sandra E. Elman**, President

Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities

#### **Featured Presentations**

9:00 a.m. ***Understanding National Political Developments: What Institutions Need to Know***

**Terry Hartle**, Senior Vice President, Division of Government and Public Affairs,  
American Council on Education

9:45 a.m. ***The Yoga of Accreditation***

**Stephen Reno**, Chancellor Emeritus, University of New Hampshire System of Higher  
Education, and former NWCCU Commissioner

10:30 a.m. **Break**

10:45 a.m. ***Ensuring Our National Security and a Stable Democracy: The Genius of Quality Assurance***

**Sandra E. Elman**, President, Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities

11:45 a.m. **Luncheon**

1:00 p.m. **Forum**

***Strategies for Maintaining Quality and Stability in Hard Times: Institutional and Board Perspectives***

2:45 p.m. **Concluding Remarks**

3:00 p.m. **Adjournment**