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Dr. Ivan L. Harrell II  
President  
Tacoma Community College  
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Dear President Harrell:

On behalf of the Board of Commissioners, I write to inform you that the member institutions have voted to approve adoption of NWCCU's proposed revisions to the Eligibility Requirements, Standards for Accreditation, and Evaluation Cycle.

Of the 158 ballots distributed, 134 were returned, with 129 votes in support of adopting the proposed Eligibility Requirements, Standards for Accreditation, and Evaluation Cycle.

The NWCCU 2020 Eligibility Requirements, Standards for Accreditation, and Evaluation Cycle for currently accredited institutions will take effect January 1, 2020. For the first round of review under the seven-year cycle, the following schedule of evaluations has been created for Tacoma Community College:

- Annual Reports - all due on August 15th
- Spring 2020 Policies, Regulations, and Financial Review (PRFR)
- Spring 2021 Evaluation of Institutional Effectiveness (EIE-Year Seven)
- Spring 2024 Mid-Cycle Evaluation (Year Three)
- Spring 2027 Policies, Regulations, and Financial Review (PRFR – Year Six)
- Spring 2028 Evaluation of Institutional Effectiveness (EIE-Year Seven)

Tacoma Community College will be asked to submit spring reports by August 15th. Guidelines for writing reports and a revised Handbook for Accreditation will be posted on the NWCCU website at <https://www.nwccu.org/tools-resources/institutions/>

The NWCCU 2020 Eligibility Requirements, Standards for Accreditation, and additional information are available on the Commission's website (<https://www.nwccu.org/accreditation/standards-review/>). Please feel free to contact your NWCCU Liaison, Pamela Goad, when you have questions or if I can be of assistance in transitioning to the new Eligibility Requirements, Standards for Accreditation, or Evaluation Cycle.

Sincerely,

Sonny Ramaswamy  
President

cc: Ms. Analea Brauburger, Dean of Organizational Learning and Effectiveness