SHORELINE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NUMBER SEVEN BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING OF FEBRUARY 27, 2013

REPORT

Subject: BOARD MONITORING REPORT (February 2013)

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Board Monitoring Report (BMR)—Progress of Indicator Review/Evaluation Feedback

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BOARD MONITORING REPORT: PROGRESS OF INDICATOR REVIEW/EVALUATION FEEDBACK

In the evaluation report from the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities (NWCCU) in October, 2012, several key recommendations were stated. One in particular (Recommendation #6) stated the following:

The committee recommends revision of indicators to ensure they are meaningful and are connected with aspirational thresholds. Institutional assessment via effective indicators can verify that objectives are met or not met, and such data can inform and improve upon institutional planning, initiatives, and operations that consistently occur in a framework that support core themes.

Elsewhere, the Commission noted that it seemed the "indicators were finalized based on available appropriate data, rather than how meaningful they might be."

Accordingly, the College has conducted a series of meetings in January and February, 2013, with its Operations Committee (OPCOM) to explore and clarify the ramifications of the above recommendations. The outcome of these meetings has been ready acceptance that we need to review our indicators; and as such reporting on progress on improving the existing/old indicators is moot.

That said, the OPCOM meetings have positioned the College to implement its Strategic Plan in conjunction with the Strategic Action Plan Templates (SAP). These templates allow for standardized reporting on planning, process, budget, targets, and results.

In turn, these SAPs will allow for use either 'as is' or in summary form as our accreditation measures. We expect to see completed SAPs by the end of spring, with draft accreditation Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) following soon after.

In effect, we want to reduce our indicator count, dropping the number to approximately 20 (For context, Nordstrom has 12). This will ensure that we report on what is vital rather than on what is simply important.

The Strategic Plan and the corresponding SAPs will handle what is important, while the KPIs (a subset or amalgamation of the SAPs) would drive the accreditation report.