

**SHORELINE COMMUNITY COLLEGE
DISTRICT NUMBER SEVEN
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING OF OCTOBER 28, 2015**

TAB 4

ACTION

Subject: Washington Association of College Trustees (ACT) Transforming Lives Awards

Background

The ACT Transforming Lives Awards will recognize current or former students whose lives have been transformed by attending a Washington state Community or Technical College. One (1) current or former student from each of the thirty-four (34) Community and Technical Colleges (CTCs) will be nominated by the respective College's Board of Trustees based on the following criteria:

- The nominee may be either a current or former Washington community or technical college student who has completed or made significant progress toward completing a degree or certificate that has helped him or her prepare for or has achieved success in his or her future endeavors.
- The nominee must share a compelling story** in written format (**maximum 500 words**) about overcoming barriers to achieve higher education goals and how the education and support received at his/her community or technical college was life transforming (e.g. new employment, self-sufficiency, etc.). *** Please note: All 34 stories will be published in the Transforming Lives Booklet. The booklet is widely distributed to Legislators, CTC Stakeholders, the Public and is posted to the ACT's website.*

The ACT Awards Committee will select a total of five individuals (awardees) from the nominations submitted by the Washington CTCs and each of the five awardees, will receive a \$500.00 (Five-Hundred dollar) monetary award. In addition, the ACT will honor all 34 current or former CTC nominees at a Transforming Lives Awards Dinner, scheduled for January 24, 2016.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees identify two (2) members of the Board to review the nomination submissions and determine the Shoreline Community College Board of Trustees' nominee for the 2016 ACT Transforming Lives Awards.

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