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Mr. Mark Mitsui  
President  
Portland Community College  
P.O. Box 19000  
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Dear President Mitsui:

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 Portland Community College:

Annual Reports - all due on August 15th  
Spring 2021 Policies, Regulations, and Financial Review (PRFR)  
Spring 2022 Evaluation of Institutional Effectiveness (EIE-Year Seven)  
Spring 2025 Mid-Cycle Evaluation (Year Three)

Portland Community College is asked to submit its Spring 2021 Policies, Regulations, and Financial Review (PRFR) by February 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, Les Steele, 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: Dr. Katy Ho, Vice President of Academic Affairs