

CRITERION THREE – STUDENT LEARNING AND EFFECTIVE TEACHING  
Steering Committee Meeting Notes  
10/14/09

Based on Steering Committee comments, the revised strengths and concerns are as follows:

*Northwest College Prides Itself on*

- **Success in promoting student learning in and beyond classroom.**  
Vote: Aye – unanimous.
  - There was no significant discussion on this topic.
- **Its multi-level, faculty-driven assessment program.**  
Vote: Aye – unanimous.
  - There was no significant discussion on this topic.
- **A highly credentialed, full-time faculty with significant professional development opportunities.**  
Vote: Aye – unanimous.
  - The members wanted to emphasize the high quality of the Northwest College full-time faculty.
- **Supporting student access, learning, and career success through the adoption of appropriate technology.**  
Vote: Aye – unanimous.
  - Committee members discussed the best way to describe student support in terms of technology.
- **Strong academic support, retention success, and broad transfer options.**  
Vote: Aye – unanimous.
  - The committee agreed to reword the support statements in the body of the document.

*Northwest College Challenges Itself to*

- **Share and use data more broadly to increase its impact at the program and institution levels.**  
Vote – Aye – unanimous.
  - Access to data is improving since hiring the Institutional Researcher and will be more readily available.
- **Continue building a campus-wide culture of assessment that extends beyond instruction.**  
Vote: Aye – unanimous.
  - There was no significant discussion on this topic.
- **Continue innovation in support of student learning, despite uncertain funding.**  
Vote: Aye – unanimous.
  - The members agreed to the bullet after revision.
- **Continue to keep student learning as a priority in updating major plans.**  
The members moved to delete this bullet and replace it with a new bullet.  
Vote -15 aye, 1 abstain
  - There was not unanimous agreement that this issue was appropriate for Criterion Three.
- **Continue to build staffing to support the delivery of high-quality distance education.**  
Vote: Aye – unanimous to add this bullet.
  - There was no significant discussion on this topic.