Peninsula College Statement of Mission

Peninsula College provides educational opportunities in the areas of academic transfer, professional/technical, basic skills, and continuing education. The College also contributes to the cultural and economic enrichment of Clallam and Jefferson Counties.

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Prior to 1994, the College was informed by its founding legislation and that of the Washington State Community College Act of 1967 (RCW 28B.30). The Act described the educational and community service role of the comprehensive community college, which is the basis for today’s college mission.

The College developed its first mission statement in 1994. The process was led by the new President and involved the entire College community. An ad hoc committee of faculty, students and administrators developed proposed language and feedback was broadly solicited via committee meetings and email. The Board of Trustees approved the mission statement on December 13, 1994 upon the recommendation of the President.

Consistent with the College’s Strategic Plan, a review and update of the mission statement was conducted during the 2005-2006 academic year. The process began with conversations between the Board of Trustees and President, followed by a request of the College Council to review mission statements from other colleges and to develop a draft for discussion. Drafts of the document were reviewed by the campus community at the monthly meetings with the President and the Administrative Leadership Team. Suggestions for improvement were shared with the College Council, and the Board was informed of progress each month.

Once completed by the College Council, the new mission statement was presented for approval to the Board of Trustees. Two significant changes were made to the statement: (1) Basic Skills was added as one of the four elements of the instructional program and the College’s role in economic development is now articulated as part of the mission statement. The Board formally approved the current statement on February 14, 2006.