

*Memo: February 12, 2009 - To colleagues at Seattle Community Colleges –*

Because of the current economic crisis, this is a critical year for community colleges and the communities we are pledged to serve. Meetings and forums are being held at our district campuses and at the District Office to help respond to budget reductions anticipated for the 2009-11 biennium.

In addition, we have established a District-wide Budget Review Committee that will look at the budget processes for expenditures and services that affect the campuses across the district and recommend efficiencies and potential budget reduction strategies.

Committee members include faculty, staff and administrators at each college and at the District Office. Their names are listed on the document attached to this message, and I encourage each of you to contact them with your ideas and input.

The committee will begin meeting on Feb. 25, and will conclude its work in Spring Quarter. By that time, we hope to have a clearer understanding of the budget for our state and our colleges as we review the committee's recommendations.

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