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November 1, 2016

Dr. David Yarlott, Jr.
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Dear President Yarlott: *David -*

I am pleased to inform you that the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities has selected Ms. Selena Grace, Associate Vice President for Institutional Effectiveness, Academic Affairs, at Idaho State University, Meridian, Idaho, and an experienced evaluation chair, to chair the Spring 2017 Year Seven Evaluation visit to Little Big Horn College on April 5-7, 2017.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns regarding this assignment.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Sandra E. Elman". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name being the most prominent.

Sandra E. Elman
President

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cc: Dr. Janine Pease, Accreditation and Planning Officer
Ms. Selena Grace, Associate Vice President for Institutional Effectiveness, Academic Affairs,
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October 12, 2016

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Dear President Yarlott:

Little Big Horn College is scheduled for a Year Seven Comprehensive Self-Evaluation Report and visit in spring 2017. The Commission has agreed to your request to adjust the time frame of this visit. The visit will be conducted April 5-7, 2017.

We ask that you contact Mellissa Thoreson (mthoreson@nwccu.org) by Thursday, October 20, 2016, with regard to acceptance of the revised dates for the Comprehensive evaluation visit.

Sincerely,

Les Steele

Les Steele, Ph.D.
Executive Vice President

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cc: Dr. Janine Pease, Accreditation and Planning Officer



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February 5, 2016

Dr. David Yarlott, Jr.
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Dear President Yarlott:

On behalf of the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities, I am pleased to inform you that at its January 6-8, 2016, meeting, the Board of Commissioners accepted Little Big Horn College's Fall 2015 Ad Hoc Report which addressed Recommendation 3 of the Spring 2015 Ad Hoc Evaluation. The request for this report was the subject of Commission correspondence dated July 27, 2015.

The Commission determined that its expectations regarding Recommendation 3 of the Spring 2015 Ad Hoc Report have been met. In accepting this Ad Hoc Report, the Commission removed the *Notice of Concern* issued at its June 24-25, 2015, meeting, for Standards 2.A.30 and 2.F.1.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Best wishes for a peaceful and fulfilling new year.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Sandra E. Elman". The signature is written in a cursive style.

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July 27, 2015

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Dear President Yarlott: *David*

On behalf of the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities, I am pleased to inform you that at its June 24-26, 2015, meeting, the Board of Commissioners accepted Little Big Horn College's Spring 2015 Ad Hoc Report which addressed Recommendations 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 of the Spring 2013 Year Three *Resources and Capacity* Peer-Evaluation Report, and again addressed Recommendations 1 and 2 of the Spring 2012 Year One *Mission and Core Themes* Peer-Evaluation Report. The request for this report was the subject of Commission correspondence dated July 25, 2013.

The Commission has determined that with regard to Recommendations 1, 2, and 3 of the Spring 2013 Year Three *Resources and Capacity* Peer-Evaluation Report and Recommendation 1 of the Spring 2012 Year One *Mission and Core Themes* Peer-Evaluation Report its expectations have been met.

However, the Commission has determined that with regard to Recommendations 4 and 5 of the Spring 2013 Year Three *Resources and Capacity* Peer-Evaluation Report and Recommendation 2 of the Spring 2012 Year One *Mission and Core Themes* Peer-Evaluation Report, its expectations have not yet been met. The Commission has revised these three Recommendations of the Spring 2015 Evaluation as follows:

1. It is recommended that the College clearly articulates an acceptable threshold or extent of mission fulfillment (Standard 1.A.2).
2. It is recommended that the College continue to review and revise its objectives and indicators of achievement to ensure that they are appropriate, comprehensive, meaningful, assessable and verifiable (Standard 1.B.2).
3. It is recommended that the College develop clearly defined policies approved by the Board, regarding oversight and management of financial resources, including reserves (Standard 2.A.30, Standard 2.F.1).

The Commission requests that revised Recommendation 3 of the Spring 2015 Ad Hoc Report be addressed in an Ad Hoc Report without a visit in Fall 2015. The Ad Hoc Report is to be submitted by October 30, 2015. The Commission further requests that Recommendations 1 and 2 of the Spring 2015 Ad Hoc Report be addressed in the Year Seven *Mission Fulfillment and Sustainability* Self-Evaluation

President David Yarlott, Jr.
July 27, 2015
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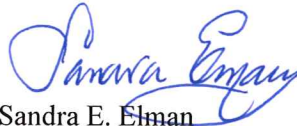
Report in Spring 2017. Please note that the College's Year Seven Evaluation has been rescheduled from Spring 2016 to Spring 2017 with the expectation that the institution's Self-Evaluation Report will provide a clear explication of how the College is fulfilling the Standards for Accreditation.

In making this request, the Commission finds that Recommendations 1, 2, and 3 of the Spring 2015 Ad Hoc Report are areas where Little Big Horn College is substantially in compliance with Commission criteria for accreditation, but in need of improvement. In addition, the Commission has removed the *Warning* for Standards 2.A.6, 2.A.8, 3.A.2, 4.B.1, 4.B.2 and 5.A.2 cited for Recommendations 1 and 2 of the Fall 2011 Ad Hoc Report. However, the Commission issued a *Notice of Concern* related to Recommendations 1, 2, and 3 of the Spring 2015 Ad Hoc Report and urges the College to address them with urgency so that data collection, assessment, and evaluation of mission fulfillment can occur prior to the submission of the College's Year Seven Report in March 2017.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Best wishes for a rewarding 2015-2016 academic year.

Sincerely,



Sandra E. Elman
President

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cc: Dr. Janine Pease, Accreditation and Planning Officer



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June 5, 2015

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Dear President Yarlott, Jr.:

I bring you greetings from the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities. Little Big Horn College is scheduled for a Year Seven Comprehensive Self-Evaluation Report and visit in spring 2016. The Commission requests that the visit be conducted April 27-29, 2016. Please confirm acceptance of these dates or contact me if you foresee mitigating circumstances which preclude acceptance of these dates.

The chair of the evaluation committee to Little Big Horn College will be from a peer institution located outside the state of Montana. You will be notified once the chair has been identified and be given an opportunity to comment on the acceptability of the proposed chair of the visiting evaluation committee.

We ask that you contact Sherri Estep (sestep@nwccu.org) by Friday, June 26, 2015, regarding acceptance of the suggested dates for the Comprehensive evaluation visit.

Sincerely,

Les L. Steele, PhD
Executive Vice President

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cc: Dr. Janine Pease, Accreditation and Planning Officer



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October 17, 2014

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Dear President Yarlott, Jr.:

Greetings from the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities.

In our letter dated 7/25/13, (copy enclosed for your convenience) the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities requested that Little Big Horn College submit an Ad-Hoc Self-Evaluation Report with no visit in spring 2015. In a concise manner, the College should respond thoroughly and carefully to the matters described therein.

By Friday, November 7, 2014, please contact Sherri Estep at sestep@nwccu.org with the name, telephone number, and email address of the contact person for the institution's Ad-Hoc Self Evaluation Report. We also ask that you confirm your contact information (name, title, telephone number, fax number, and email address) and confirm the contact information of the institution's Accreditation Liaison Officer.

- The Commission office is to receive five printed copies and one electronic copy of these materials.
- The electronic copy of the report is to be distributed as a single Windows-compatible file in Adobe Acrobat format.
- If it is more convenient, the body of the electronic copy of the report may be distributed as a Windows-compatible file in Adobe Acrobat format and the appendices (if any) may be distributed as a second Windows-compatible file in Adobe Acrobat format.
- These materials are to be received by the Commission office by March 2, 2015. Email the Commission's electronic copy of the report and supporting materials (if any) as attachments to: reports@nwccu.org.

It will not be necessary for representatives of Little Big Horn College to be present when the Board of Commissioners considers this matter at its June 24-26, 2015, meeting. Following the meeting, we will write to inform you of the Board's action.

Thank you for your attention to these items. Please contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Les Steele
Les L. Steele, Ph.D.
Executive Vice President

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Enclosures: Letter dated 7/25/13

cc: Dr. Janine Pease, ALO/Planning Coordinator