



May 2, 2018

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

Mr. Ricky Serna, Interim President
Luna Community College
366 Luna Drive
Las Vegas, NM 87701

Dear Interim President Serna:

Enclosed is the final team report of the Show-Cause Evaluation Visit to Luna Community College (“the College” or “the institution”). You have the opportunity to file, on behalf of your institution, a formal written response to this report. Your response is an integral part of the evaluation process; it will be provided to the members of a Higher Learning Commission (HLC) Board Committee, who will conduct a hearing for the College in advance of the HLC Board of Trustees (“the Board”) meeting where the institution’s case will be considered. The response will help the Board Committee determine what questions it will ask of the institution’s representatives during the hearing.

The formal response to the team report must be submitted within two weeks of this letter, or no later than **May 16, 2018**. Please submit the response as a single PDF, which should not include links to external web pages or documents, to www.hightail.com/u/hlc-lga.

As you are aware, the Board Committee Hearing will take place on May 21, 2018, at the Hilton O’Hare Hotel in Chicago, IL. Please refer to HLC’s previous correspondence regarding the hearing for further details about the precise location and start time. Additionally, your written response will be provided to both the Board Committee and the full Board of Trustees of the Higher Learning Commission prior to its action on the Show-Cause Order. Finally, your written response will be maintained in the permanent file of the College’s interactions with the Commission.

The Board will take action on the institution’s Show-Cause Order at its June 2018 meeting. Under policy, the Show-Cause Evaluation team does not make a recommendation for Board action. Therefore, at its meeting, the Board will determine whether the institution is in compliance with the Criteria for Accreditation, Assumed Practices and Federal Compliance requirements.

If the Board determines the institution is in compliance, the Board may continue the accreditation of the College. In taking an action to continue accreditation, it may require additional monitoring through an interim report or focused evaluation. Alternatively, the Board may continue the accreditation of the institution, but place it on the sanction of Notice.

If the Board determines the institution is out of compliance, the Board may continue the accreditation of the College, but place it on the sanction of Probation. Alternatively, the Board may withdraw accreditation. Withdrawal is not a final action and is subject to appeal. In taking an action to withdraw accreditation, the Board has the discretion to set the effective date of withdrawal, which

may be at the end of the current term or at a date in the near future. In the event of a withdrawal action, the Board will provide information about the institution's option to appeal the action in addition to any teach-out requirements. The institution will be required to prepare a Provisional plan (formerly known as "teach-out plan") to ensure that students scheduled to graduate after the current term have options to complete their education at other accredited institutions.

You will receive an Action Letter detailing the Board's findings and rationale within two weeks of the Board's meeting.

Thank you for your cooperation throughout this process. If you have any questions about this letter, please contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Anthea M. Sweeney".

Anthea M. Sweeney
Vice President for Legal and Governmental Affairs

Enc: Team Report
Assumed Practices Worksheet
Federal Compliance Worksheets

Cc: Sharon Lalla, Vice President of Instruction, Luna Community College
Barbara Gellman-Danley, President, Higher Learning Commission