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August 26, 2019

Dr. Rolando Rael, President  
Luna Community College  
366 Luna Drive  
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Dear President Rael:

Subsequent to the Institutional Actions Council hearing of August 12, 2019, attached is the Hearing Committee's report of its recommendation regarding Luna Community College. This recommendation will be forwarded to the Board of Trustees for review and action at its next meeting. The Board meeting is scheduled for November 7-8, 2019.

The Board makes the final decision in all cases where HLC has conducted an evaluation for candidacy, initial accreditation or removal of sanction. In addition, the Board makes the final decision when an evaluation team, an Institutional Actions Council Hearing Committee or the HLC President has recommended a sanction or withdrawal or denial of accreditation or candidacy. Prior to the next scheduled Board meeting, the Board receives from HLC the full record related to the evaluation including, but not limited to, Assurance Argument and supporting documents submitted by the institution; the report from the evaluation team; the report of the Hearing Committee; and institutional responses filed by the institution prior to the Hearing and any institutional responses filed subsequent to this letter. The Board also has access to the institution's previous evaluation history and HLC actions taken concerning the institution.

The Board may adopt one of the recommendations previously arising out of the evaluation process, with or without modification, or the Board may adopt a different recommendation. The IAC Hearing Committee recommended Probation be extended. In determining its final action, the Board may consider this recommendation and other options available in Commission policy based on its determinations related to evidence in the record. (See Section 3, Chapter E of the Commission's Policy Book, which can be downloaded on the Commission's website, for more information about sanctions and related policies.)

You will receive a letter outlining the Board's action subsequent to the conclusion of the Board meeting. The document linked here [Guidance on Procedures Following Commission Board Actions](#) provides further information to assist the institution in preparing for the Board's action.

Please provide HLC with your response to the IAC recommendation no later than September 10. The response should be uploaded to [www.hightail.com/u/hlc-lga](http://www.hightail.com/u/hlc-lga). Please note that the response should be submitted as a single PDF including any attachments or exhibits and should not contain any hyperlinks to web pages or external documents. If you have not previously submitted your most recent financial audit, please include this information with your response. Also, by that date, provide any additional materials to be offered for the Board's consideration. This response, along with all the other documents in the review, become part of the HLC's official file and will be available to the next team that visits the institution. The team representative from your institution's visit is being copied on this correspondence as a courtesy.

For further information, please contact the institution's staff liaison, Stephanie Brzuzy.

Your cooperation in this process is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Barbara Gellman-Danley".

Barbara Gellman-Danley  
President

CC: Sharon Lalla, Vice President of Instruction, ALO  
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