

May 7, 2019

President Rolando Rael Luna Community College 366 Luna Drive Las Vegas, NM 87701

Dear President Rael:

Attached is the institution's copy of the final team report on Luna Community College. Within the report is the recommendation on the accreditation relationship. HLC expects an **Institutional Response to this report.** 

Hearing Required. Based on the team report's recommendation, institutional and review team representatives must appear before an Institutional Actions Council (IAC) Hearing Committee. The hearing will take place on August 12-13, 2019 in Chicago. More information regarding the hearing is forthcoming.

The IAC Hearing Committee will evaluate the review materials and conduct a face-to-face meeting with institutional and peer review team representatives before making a recommendation to the HLC Board of Trustees. **The Board of Trustees will then review the recommendations of the comprehensive evaluation team and IAC Hearing Committee and make a final decision on the accreditation relationship.** More information on HLC's decision process is available on HLC's website (www.hlcommission.org).

**Note:** Due to the additional expense of holding a hearing, HLC charges a fee for institutions participating in Institutional Actions Council hearings. Information about the HLC's dues and fees is available at hlcommission.org/dues.

**Institutional Response Expected.** HLC expects the chief executive officer to acknowledge receipt of this report and submit a formal written response prior to the hearing. This response may include updated information that addresses any deficiencies the team cited in its report. The institution's response becomes part of the official record of the evaluation and is included in the materials sent through the decision process to the next committee reviewing the institution. The response is to be submitted to Kerry Lofton at <u>klofton@hlcommission.org</u> no later than 30 days prior to the IAC Hearing.

Please note that the response should be submitted as a single PDF and should include 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. Please be judicious in the amount of information you forward; the full submission should be no more than 100 pages.

The institution will receive a copy of the IAC Hearing Committee's report when it is submitted to the Board of Trustees and will have an opportunity to respond. The Board of Trustees are the official decision-making body in these cases. If you have any questions concerning the evaluation report or the decision process, please contact Steph Brzuzy, your staff liaison.

Sincerely,

Higher Learning Commission

CC: Julie A. Furst-Bowe, Team Chair