Dr. Peter J. Fos  
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Dear Dr. Fos:

The following action regarding your institution was taken at the June 2013 meeting of the Board of Trustees of SACS Commission on Colleges:

The Commission on College reviewed a First Monitoring Report following submission of a Referral Report in June 2012. The institution is requested to submit a Second Monitoring Report due April 15, 2014, addressing the following referenced standard of the Principles:

CS 3.3.1.1 (Institutional Effectiveness: Educational Programs)  
The institution has completely revised the assessment plan and cycle, and has developed reasonable learning outcomes and assessment measures for those outcomes. However, the institution has not completed an assessment cycle. A further report should be submitted providing evidence that the institution identifies student learning outcomes for each academic program, assesses the extent to which those outcomes are achieved, and uses the results to make improvements based upon analysis of assessment. If sampling is used, provide a representative sample that reflects the full array of educational programs offered.

Guidelines for the monitoring report are enclosed. Because it is essential that institutions follow these guidelines, please make certain that those responsible for preparing the report receive the document. If there are any questions about the format, contact the Commission staff member assigned to your institution. When submitting your report, please send four copies to your Commission staff member.

Please note that with submission of this report, your institution will have submitted monitoring reports for a period of two years, concluding in June 2014. Federal regulations and Commission policy stipulate that if an institution does not demonstrate compliance with all the standards and requirements of the Principles of Accreditation within two years following initial action on the institution, representatives from the institution may be required to appear for a meeting on the record before the SACSCOC Board of Trustees, or one of its standing committees, to answer questions as to why the institution should not be removed from
membership. If the Board of Trustees determines good cause at that time, the Board may extend the period for coming into compliance for a minimum of six months and a maximum of two years and must place the institution on Probation. If the Board does not determine good cause, the institution must be removed from membership. (See enclosed Commission policy "Sanctions, Denial of Reaffirmation, and Removal from Membership," which includes the provisions for a determination of "good cause"). Please note that institutions at the end of their two-year monitoring period should also include a report providing evidence supporting the conditions of "good cause" as described in the above referenced policy statement. The institution bears the burden of proof to provide evidence why the Commission should not remove it from membership.

We appreciate your continued support of the activities of the Commission on Colleges. If you have questions, please contact the Commission staff member assigned to your institution.

Sincerely,

Belle S. Wheelan, Ph.D.
President

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Enclosures

cc: Dr. Barry D. Goldstein