

August 2, 2019

Rev. Dr. Tamara Rodenberg President Bethany College 31 East Campus Drive Office of the President Bethany, WV 26032-3002

Dear President Rodenberg:

This letter serves as formal notification and official record of action taken concerning Bethany College by the Institutional Actions Council of the Higher Learning Commission at its meeting on July 30, 2019. The date of this action constitutes the effective date of the institution's new status with HLC.

Action with Interim Monitoring. IAC continued the accreditation of Bethany College with the next Reaffirmation of Accreditation in 2028-29. In conjunction with this action, IAC required the following interim monitoring:

Interim Report. An Interim Report due 10/31/2019: evidence that (1) online delivery is accounted for in the credit hour policy, (2) Board approval that the compliant policy goes beyond Title IX complaints, (3) the institution has provided information to students that lets them know the nature of the articulations in terms of which types and how many credits transfer, and (4) it has posted data about graduate rates and post-graduate placements for its Master's degree programs.

Interim Report. An Interim Report due 5/31/2022 on program review tied to budgeting and planning, and participation for academic and non-academic departments; and significant progress in assessment of student learning and use of the data to make improvements. (4.A and 4.B).

Embedded Report. An Embedded Report to be embedded in next Review: on balanced operating budget without the use of oil and gas revenue, begin repayment of endowment loan with oil and gas revenue, a budget for deferred maintenance, removal of negative fund balances, and balanced operating budget and a surplus. (5.A).

Focused Visit. A Focused Visit due by Spring 2021 on finances and enrollments (5.A).

In two weeks, this action will be added to the *Institutional Status and Requirements (ISR) Report*, a resource for Accreditation Liaison Officers to review and manage information regarding the institution's accreditation relationship. Accreditation Liaison Officers may request the ISR Report on HLC's website at https://www.hlcommission.org/isr-request.

Within the next 30 days, HLC will also publish information about this action on its website at https://www.hlcommission.org/Student-Resources/recent-actions.html.

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If you have any questions about these documents after viewing them, please contact the institution's staff liaison Gigi Fansler. Your cooperation in this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,

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