

January 29, 2021

Dr. Dale Nesbary  
President  
Muskegon Community College  
221 S. Quarterline Rd  
Muskegon, MI 49442

Dear President Nesbary:

This letter serves as formal notification and official record of action taken concerning Muskegon Community College by the Institutional Actions Council of the Higher Learning Commission at its meeting on January 25, 2021. 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 Muskegon Community College with the next Reaffirmation of Accreditation in 2030-31. In conjunction with this action, IAC required the following interim monitoring.

**Embedded Monitoring.** Embedded monitoring in the Year 4 Assurance Review on Core component 4B and Core Component 5C.

**4B:** The establishment of integrated cycles of assessment at the program, general education and co-curricular and non-curricular levels that includes processes for analysis of assessment results for the improvement in instruction and/or co/non-curricular activities.

**5C:** The implementation of linkages established between assessment of student learning, evaluation of operations with planning and budget development and implementation.

In taking this action, the IAC considered materials from the most recent evaluation and the institutional response (if applicable) to the evaluation findings.

**Rationale:** IAC determined that embedding the monitoring report into the Year 4 Assurance Review will allow time for the assessment practices to mature and be fully implemented. In addition, the college has an excellent accreditation track record that should ensure a reasonable response to the expectations for monitoring.

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>.

Please note: Revisions to HLC's Criteria for Accreditation will go into effect on September 1, 2020. Institutions will be evaluated against the revised Criteria for all reviews conducted after that date, including reviews related to previously assigned monitoring. Institutional reports submitted after September 1, 2020, that reference the Criteria should be written

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to the revised version. More information about the revised Criteria, including a crosswalk between the current and revised versions, is available on HLC's website at <https://www.hlcommission.org/criteria>.

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

Sincerely,

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

Barbara Gellman-Danley  
President

CC: ALO