

June 19, 2017

Dr. Matthew Thompson President & CEO Kansas Wesleyan University 100 E. Claflin Salina, KS 67401

Dear President Thompson:

This letter serves as formal notification and official record of action taken concerning Kansas Wesleyan University by the Institutional Actions Council of the Higher Learning Commission at its meeting on June 13, 2017. The date of this action constitutes the effective date of the institution's new status with HLC.

Action. IAC continued the accreditation of Kansas Wesleyan University with the next Reaffirmation of Accreditation in 2026-27.

Further, IAC voted to change the team's evaluation on Core Component 4C from "Met with Concerns" to "Met." The data included in the final report indicates that the institution demonstrates a commitment and attention to retention, persistence and completion rates in its offered programs. Furthermore, the institution's action of engaging an outside consultant demonstrates the institution's understanding of the data it needs to inform its decision and the intent to improve its internal processes.

Rationale: IAC determined that the team provided documentation that 4C was Met so that no interim reporting is required at this time. The rationale for this decision included:

- The visiting team report indicates that the institution demonstrates a commitment and attention to retention, persistence and completion rates in its offered programs. As stated by the team the college has "clearly defined goals" for student retention, persistence, and completion.
- The visiting team indicates the institution collects multiple sets of data and multiple examples are included in the final report that supports the primary requirements of Core Component 4.C.
- The visiting team's report indicates, the institution is in the process of compiling much of the supporting data that informs its decision making in this area, but the fact the data is being collected and analyzed demonstrates the institution efforts are mature and have evolved to the use of refined measurements systems including internal scorecards.
- The institution's action of engaging an outside consultant demonstrates the institution's understanding of the data it needs to inform its decisions and the intent to improve its internal processes.

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 http://www.hlcommission.org/isr-request.

Information on notifying the public of this action is available at http://www.hlcommission.org/HLC-Institutions/institutional-reporting-of-actions.html.

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

Sincerely,

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