

Board of Trustees Laramie County Community College Cheyenne, Wyoming

We are pleased to present this report related to our audit of the basic financial statements of Laramie County Community College (the "College") as of and for the year ended June 30, 2020. This report summarizes certain matters required by professional standards to be communicated to you in your oversight responsibility for the College's financial and compliance reporting process.

Auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (AU-C 260, *The Auditor's Communication with Those Charged with Governance*) require the auditor to promote effective two-way communication between the auditor and those charged with governance. Consistent with this requirement, the following summarizes our responsibilities regarding the financial statement audit, as well as observations arising from our audit that are significant and relevant to your responsibility to oversee the financial and related compliance reporting process.

Our Responsibilities with Regard to the Financial Statement Audit

Our responsibilities under auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, have been described to you in our arrangement letter dated June 5, 2020. Our audit of the financial statements does not relieve management or those charged with governance of their responsibilities which are also described in that letter.

Overview of the Planned Scope and Timing of the Financial Statement Audit

We have issued a separate communication dated June 5, 2020 regarding the planned scope and timing of our audit and have discussed with you our identification of significant risks of material misstatement.

Accounting Policies and Practices

- Accounting Policies and Practices: Management is responsible for the selection and use of appropriate accounting policies. The significant accounting policies used by the College are described in Note 1 to the financial statements.
- Adoption of, or Change in, Accounting Policies: Management has the ultimate responsibility for the appropriateness of the accounting policies used by the College. The College did not adopt any significant new accounting policies nor have there been any changes in existing significant accounting policies during the current period.
- Significant or Unusual Transactions: We did not identify any significant or unusual transactions or significant accounting policies in controversial or emerging areas for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus.

• Management's Judgments and Accounting Estimates: Accounting estimates are an integral part of the preparation of financial statements and are based upon management's current judgment. The process used by management encompasses their knowledge and experience about past and current events and certain assumptions about future events. The College may wish to monitor throughout the year the process used to determine and record these accounting estimates. The following describes the significant accounting estimates reflected in the College's June 30, 2020 financial statements:

1. **Significant Estimate:** Unavailable Property Taxes

- Accounting Policy: Property taxes assessed during the year which will be levied and recognized as revenue in the subsequent year.
- Management's Estimation Process: Mills of Laramie County valuation.
- *Our Conclusion*: We evaluated the estimation process and noted it appeared reasonable.

2. Significant Estimate: Scholarship Allowance

- Accounting Policy: Scholarship discounts and allowances are the difference between the stated charge for the goods and services provided by the College and the amount that was paid by the students or third parties making payments on the students' behalf.
- Management's Estimation Process: NACUBO Guidelines.
- Our Conclusion: We evaluated the estimation process and noted it appeared reasonable.

3. Significant Estimate: Pension Liability

- Accounting Policy: The liability of the College to employees for defined benefit pensions (net pension liability) measured as the portion of the present value of projected benefit payments to be provided through the pension plan to current active and inactive employees that is attributed to those employees' past periods of service (total pension liability), less the amount of the pension plan's fiduciary net position.
- *Management's Estimation Process*: Use of the Wyoming Retirement System GASB Statement No. 68 Report and the College's proportionate share of the pension liability.
- Our Conclusion: We evaluated the estimation process and noted it appeared reasonable.

4. Significant Estimate: OPEB Liability

- Accounting Policy: The liability of the College to former employees for postemployment benefits (total OPEB obligation) measured as the portion of the present value of projected benefit payments to be provided through the OPEB plan to former employees that is attributed to those employees' past periods of service (total OPEB liability).
- Management's Estimation Process: Use of the State of Wyoming Employee Group Insurance Retiree Health Plan Actuarial Valuation Report and the College's proportionate share of the total OPEB liability.
- Our Conclusion: We evaluated the estimation process and noted it appeared reasonable.
- Financial Statement Disclosures: Certain financial statement disclosures are particularly sensitive because of their significance to financial statement users. The most sensitive disclosures affecting the College's financial statements relate to:
 - 1. The disclosure of the net pension liability in Note 6.
 - 2. The disclosure of the total OPEB liability in Note 8.

The financial statement disclosures are neutral, consistent, and clear.

Audit Adjustments

Audit adjustments, other than those that are clearly trivial, proposed by us and recorded by the College, as well as any adjustments provided by management of the College after presenting the original trial balance for audit, are included in the attached representation letter within the *Summary of Recorded Adjustments*.

Uncorrected Misstatements

Uncorrected misstatements are included in the attached representation letter within the Summary of Uncorrected Misstatements.

Disagreements with Management

We encountered no disagreements with management over the application of significant accounting principles, the basis for management's judgments on any significant matters, the scope of the audit, or significant disclosures to be included in the financial statements.

Consultation with Other Accountants

In some cases, management may decide to consult with other accountants about auditing and accounting matters, similar to obtaining a "second opinion" on certain situations. We are not aware of any consultations management had with other accountants about accounting or auditing matters.

Significant Issues Discussed with Management

We generally discuss a variety of matters with management each year, including the application of accounting principles and auditing standards and operating plans and strategies that may affect the risks of material misstatement. None of the matters discussed resulted in a condition to our retention as the College's auditors.

Significant Difficulties Encountered in Performing the Audit

We did not encounter any significant difficulties in dealing with management during the audit.

Significant Written Communications Between Management and Our Firm

A copy of the audit representation letter between our Firm and the management of the College is attached to this letter.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Board of Trustees and management, and is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than these specified parties. It will be our pleasure to respond to any questions you have about this report. We appreciate the opportunity to continue to be of service to Laramie County Community College.

Mc Lee, Hearne & Paiz, LLP Cheyenne, Wyoming January 26, 2021

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McGee, Hearne & Paiz, LLP P.O. Box 1088 Cheyenne, Wyoming 82003

This representation letter is provided in connection with your audits of the basic financial statements of Laramie County Community College (the "College") as of and for the years ended June 30, 2020 and 2019 for the purpose of expressing an opinion on whether the financial statements are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAP).

We confirm, to the best of our knowledge and belief, that as of the date of this letter:

Financial Statements

- 1. We have fulfilled our responsibilities, as set out in the terms of the audit arrangement letter dated June 5, 2020, for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements referred to above in accordance with U.S. GAAP.
- 2. We acknowledge our responsibility for the design, implementation and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.
- 3. We acknowledge our responsibility for the design, implementation and maintenance of internal control to prevent and detect fraud.
- 4. Significant assumptions used by us in making accounting estimates, including those measured at fair value, are reasonable and reflect our judgment based on our knowledge and experience about past and current events, and our assumptions about conditions we expect to exist and courses of action we expect to take.
- 5. Related-party transactions, including those with Laramie County Community College Foundation and Laramie County Community College Building Authority, and interfund transactions, including interfund accounts and advances receivable and payable, sale and purchase transactions, interfund transfers, long-term loans, leasing arrangements and guarantees, have been recorded in accordance with the economic substance of the transaction and appropriately accounted for and disclosed in accordance with the requirements of U.S. GAAP.
- 6. All events subsequent to the date of the financial statements, and for which U.S. GAAP requires adjustment or disclosure, have been adjusted or disclosed.
- 7. The effects of all known actual or possible litigation and claims have been accounted for and disclosed in accordance with U.S. GAAP.
- 8. We acknowledge our responsibility for the selection and application of accounting policies. In that regard, all accounting policies used by us during the year are deemed appropriate.

- 9. We believe that the actuarial assumptions and methods in the Wyoming Retirement System's Report used to measure pension liabilities and costs for financial accounting purposes are appropriate in the circumstances.
- 10. We believe that the actuarial assumptions and methods in the State of Wyoming Employee Group Insurance Retiree Health Plan Actuarial Valuation Report used to measure OPEB liabilities and costs for financial accounting purposes are appropriate in the circumstances.
- 11. Arrangements with financial institutions involving compensating balances or other arrangements involving restrictions on cash balances, lines of credit, or similar arrangements have been properly disclosed.
- 12. Net position classifications have been properly recorded and disclosed within the basic financial statements.
- 13. We have no direct or indirect legal or moral obligation for any debt of any organization, public or private, that is not disclosed in the financial statements.
- 14. We have complied with all aspects of contractual agreements that would have a material effect on the financial statements in the event of noncompliance.
- 15. We have informed you of all uncorrected misstatements. The uncorrected misstatements are included in the *Summary of Uncorrected Misstatements*, attached as Appendix A.

Information Provided

- 16. We have provided you with:
 - a. Access to all information of which we are aware that is relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements such as records, documentation, and other matters;
 - b. Additional information that you have requested from us for the purpose of the audits;
 - c. Unrestricted access to persons within the College from whom you determined it necessary to obtain audit evidence; and
 - d. Minutes of the meetings of the governing board and committees, or summaries of actions of recent meetings for which minutes have not yet been prepared.
- 17. All transactions have been recorded in the accounting records and are reflected in the financial statements.
- 18. It is our responsibility to establish and maintain internal controls over financial reporting. One of the components of internal control is risk assessment. We hereby represent that our risk assessment process includes identification and assessment of risks of material misstatement due to fraud. We have shared with you our fraud risk assessment, including a description of the risks, our assessment of the magnitude and likelihood of misstatements arising from those risks, and the controls that we have designed and implemented in response to those risks.
- 19. We have no knowledge of allegations of fraud or suspected fraud affecting the College's financial statements involving:
 - a. Management.
 - b. Employees who have significant roles in internal control.
 - c. Others where the fraud could have a material effect on the financial statements.

- 20. We have no knowledge of any allegations of fraud or suspected fraud affecting the College's financial statements received in communications from employees, former employees, analysts, regulators, short sellers or others.
- 21. We have no knowledge of noncompliance or suspected noncompliance with laws and regulations.
- 22. We are not aware of any pending or threatened litigation and claims whose effects should be considered when preparing the financial statements.
- 23. We have disclosed to you the identity of the College's related parties and all the related-party relationships and transactions of which we are aware.
- 24. We have informed you of all significant deficiencies, including material weaknesses, in the design or operation of internal controls that could adversely affect the College's ability to record, process, summarize, and report financial data.
- 25. We are aware of no communications from regulatory agencies concerning noncompliance with, or deficiencies in, financial reporting practices.
- 26. We believe that the information obtained from the audited financial statements of and other participant information provided by the Wyoming Retirement System (the "Plan") is appropriate in the circumstances. We did not give instructions, or cause any instructions to be given, to the Plan or its auditor in an attempt to bias their work, and we are not otherwise aware of any matters that have had an impact on the independence or objectivity of the Plan or its auditor.
- 27. We believe that the information obtained from the State of Wyoming Employee Group Insurance Retiree Health Plan (the "Plan") actuarial valuation report is appropriate in the circumstances. We did not give instructions, or cause any instructions to be given, to the Plan or their actuary in an attempt to bias their work, and we are not otherwise aware of any matters that have had an impact on the independence or objectivity of the Plan or its actuary.
- 28. During the course of your audits, you may have accumulated records containing data that should be reflected in our books and records. All such data have been so reflected. Accordingly, copies of such records in your possession are no longer needed by us.

Supplementary Information

- 29. With respect to supplementary information presented in relation to the financial statements as a whole:
 - a. We acknowledge our responsibility for the presentation of such information.
 - b. We believe such information, including its form and content, is fairly presented in accordance with U.S. GAAP.
 - c. The methods of measurement or presentation have not changed from those used in the prior period.
 - d. There are no significant assumptions or interpretations regarding the measurement or presentation of such information.
 - e. When supplementary information is not presented with the audited financial statements, we will make the audited financial statements readily available to the intended users of the supplementary information no later than the date of issuance of the supplementary information and the auditor's report thereon.

- 30. With respect to Management's Discussion and Analysis, the Schedule of the College's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability, the Schedule of the College's Contributions, the Schedule of the College's Proportionate Share of the Total OPEB Liability, and Notes to Required Supplementary Information presented as required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board to supplement the basic financial statements:
 - a. We acknowledge our responsibility for the presentation of such required supplementary information.
 - b. We believe such required supplementary information is measured and presented in accordance with guidelines prescribed by U.S. GAAP.
 - c. The methods of measurement or presentation have not changed from those used in the prior period.
 - d. There are no significant assumptions or interpretations regarding the measurement or presentation of such information.
- 31. We are in agreement with the adjusting journal entries that you have identified through your audit procedures. The adjustments to the original trial balance presented for audit are included in the *Summary of Recorded Adjustments*, attached as Appendix B.

Compliance Considerations

In connection with your audit conducted in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we confirm that management:

- 32. Is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with the applicable financial reporting framework.
- 33. Is responsible for compliance with the laws, regulations and provisions of contracts and grant agreements applicable to the College.
- 34. Has identified and disclosed to the auditor that there were no instances that have occurred, or are likely to have occurred, of fraud and noncompliance with provisions of laws and regulations that have a material effect on the financial statements or other financial data significant to the audit objectives, or other instances that warrant the attention of those charged with governance.
- 35. Has identified and disclosed to the auditor that there were no instances that have occurred, or are likely to have occurred, of noncompliance with provisions of contracts and grant agreements that have a material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts.
- 36. Has identified and disclosed to the auditor that there were no instances that have occurred, or are likely to have occurred, of abuse that could be quantitatively or qualitatively material to the financial statements.
- 37. Is responsible for the design, implementation and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.
- 38. Acknowledges its responsibility for the design, implementation and maintenance of internal controls to prevent and detect fraud.
- 39. Has identified for the auditor all previous audits, attestation engagements and other studies related to the audit objectives.

40. Acknowledges its responsibilities as it relates to non-audit services performed by the auditor as described in the arrangement letter, including a statement that it assumes all management responsibilities; that it oversees the services by designating an individual, preferably within senior management, who possesses suitable skill, knowledge or experience; that it evaluates the adequacy and results of the services performed; and that it accepts responsibility for the results of the services.

In connection with your audit of Federal awards conducted in accordance with Subpart F of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance), we confirm:

- 41. Management is responsible for complying, and has complied, with the requirements of the Uniform Guidance.
- 42. Management is responsible for understanding and complying with the requirements of laws, regulations, and the provisions of contracts and grant agreements related to each of its Federal programs.
- 43. Management is responsible for establishing and maintaining, and has established and maintained, effective internal control over compliance for Federal programs that provides reasonable assurance that the College is managing Federal awards in compliance with federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of the federal award that could have a material effect on its Federal programs.
- 44. Management is responsible for the preparation of the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards, acknowledges and understands its responsibility for the presentation of the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards in accordance with the Uniform Guidance; believes the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards including its form and content, is fairly presented in accordance with the Uniform Guidance; asserts that methods of measurement or presentation have not changed from those used in the prior period, or if the methods of measurement or presentation have changed, the reasons for such changes have been communicated; and is responsible for any significant assumptions or interpretations underlying the measurement or presentation of the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards.
- 45. Management has identified and disclosed all of its government programs and related activities subject to the Uniform Guidance compliance audit.
- 46. Management has identified and disclosed to the auditor the requirements of Federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of Federal awards that are considered to have a direct and material effect on each major program.
- 47. Management has made available all Federal awards (including amendments, if any) and any other correspondence relevant to Federal programs and related activities that have taken place with Federal agencies or pass-through entities.
- 48. Management has identified and disclosed to the auditor that there were no amounts questioned and no known noncompliance with the direct and material compliance requirements of Federal awards.
- 49. Management believes that the College has complied with the direct and material compliance requirements.
- 50. Management has made available all documentation related to compliance with the direct and material compliance requirements, including information related to Federal program financial reports and claims for advances and reimbursements.

- 51. Management has provided to the auditor its interpretations of any compliance requirements that are subject to varying interpretations.
- 52. Management has disclosed to the auditor that there were no communications from Federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities concerning possible noncompliance with the direct and material compliance requirements, including communications received from the end of the period covered by the compliance audit to the date of the auditor's report.
- 53. Management has disclosed to the auditor that there were no findings received or related corrective actions taken for previous audits, attestation engagements, and internal or external monitoring that directly relate to the objectives of the compliance audit, including findings received and corrective actions taken from the end of the period covered by the compliance audit to the date of the auditor's report.
- 54. Management is not aware of any known noncompliance with direct and material compliance requirements occurring subsequent to the period covered by the auditor's report.
- 55. Management is not aware of any changes in internal control over compliance or other factors that might significantly affect internal control that have occurred subsequent to the period covered by the auditor's report.
- 56. Federal program financial reports and claims for advances and reimbursements are supported by the books and records from which the basic financial statements have been prepared.
- 57. The copies of Federal program financial reports provided to the auditor are true copies of the reports submitted, or electronically transmitted, to the Federal agency or pass-through entity, as applicable.
- 58. Management has charged costs to Federal awards in accordance with applicable cost principles.
- 59. The reporting package does not contain protected personally identifiable information.
- 60. Management has accurately completed the appropriate sections of the data collection form.

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APPENDIX A

LARAMIE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Summary of Uncorrected Misstatements As of and For the Year Ended June 30, 2020

Management believes that the effects of the uncorrected misstatements aggregated by you and summarized below are immaterial, both individually and in the aggregate, to the basic financial statements. For purposes of this representation, we consider items to be material, regardless of their size, if they involve the misstatement or omission of accounting information that, in light of surrounding circumstances, makes it probable that the judgment of a reasonable person relying on the information would be changed or influenced by the omission or misstatement.

	Inc	erease							I	ncrease
	(De	crease)		(1	Incre	ease) Decre	ase		(D	ecrease)
Description	A	ssets	Lia	bilities	N	et Position	l	Revenue	E	xpenses
Reversed opening equity misstatement:										
To properly state the allowance for										
doubtful accounts	\$	-	\$	-	\$	250,000	\$	-	\$ (250,000)
Current year misstatements:										
To properly state the allowance for										
doubtful accounts	(25	50,000)		-		-		-	2	250,000
To correct overstatement of auxiliary										
enterprise charges		-		-		(81,283)		81,283		-
	\$ (25	50,000)	\$	-	\$	168,717	\$	81,283	\$	-
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APPENDIX B

LARAMIE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Summary of Recorded Adjustments June 30, 2020

Number	Name	Account Number	Debit		Credit
1	State Challenge Grant : Challenge Endow/In	40-410-810100-1218 GF01	\$ 150,008		
	State Challenge Grant: Investment Income	40-410-810100-7410 GF01			892,706
	State Challenge Grant : Tuition - Academic	40-410-810100-9610 GF01	742,698		
	Provided by Client:				
	To adjust the Endowment Fund.				
	•		\$ 892,706	\$	892,706
2	General : Fund Balance	60-410-000000-5000 GF01	\$ 890		
	Collegiate Music (SAFAC) : Expense: Miscellaneous	60-410-450217-9770 GF01			890
	Townski state discount to sell assista				
	Immaterial adjustment to roll equity.		\$ 890	\$	890
3	General : Library Resource Materials	70-410-000000-2104 GF01		\$	199,165
	General: Library Resource Mat, Accumulated Depreciation	70-410-000000-2129 GF01	173,523		,
	General : Loss on Disposed Asset	70-410-000000-9971 GF01	25,642		
	Provided by Client:				
	To write off library materials.				
	·		\$ 199,165	\$	199,165
4	General : Outflow OPEB	19-410-000000-2901 GF01		\$	455,32
	General: OPEB liability	19-410-000000-4501 GF01	1,671,389		
	General: Inflow OPEB	19-410-000000-4601 GF01			2,285,67
	Float: Retirement	19-410-119803-8610 GF01	513,413		
	Float: Retirement	19-410-310115-8610 GF01	10,696		
	Float: Retirement	19-410-460115-8610 GF01	149,745		
	Float: Retirement	19-410-510104-8610 GF01	106,961		
	Float: Retirement	19-410-630803-8610 GF01	171,138		
	Float: Retirement	19-410-710103-8610 GF01	85,569		
	Float : Retirement	19-410-916000-8610 GF01	32,087		
	Provided By Client:				
	To allocate OPEB expense.				
			\$ 2,740,998	S	2,740,998

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Appendix B, Continued

Number	Name	Account Number		Debit	Credit
5	General : Current Fund Building Accumulated Depreciation General : Current Fund Building Depreciation	70-410-000000-2290 GF01 70-410-000000-9960 GF01		1,644	\$ 1,644
	Provided by Client:				
	To record depreciation expense related the crossroads.		\$	1,644	\$ 1,644
6	General : Fund Balance	19-410-000000-5000 GF01	\$	213,932	
	Float: Retirement	19-410-119803-8610 GF01			213,932
	To roll equity.				
	1 7		\$	213,932	\$ 213,932
7	General : Operating Trans: Building/Site/Infr	70-410-000000-7902 GF01	\$	789,079	
	Student CCC Fees: CCC Building 73/82/2006	70-410-520301-2209 GF01			789,079
	To adjust buildings.				
			\$	789,079	\$ 789,079
8	General: Cash: ANB 135798 (Gen)	12-410-000000-1101 GF01	\$	353,152	
	Resident Halls: Operating Transfer Out	12-410-912001-9795 GF01			353,152
	General: Cash: ANB 135798 (Gen)	20-410-000000-1101 GF01			353,152
	COVID Accounts Receivable	20-410-630350-1334 GF01		353,152	
	COVID 19 Federal Income	20-410-630350-6500 GF01			353,152
	COVID Transfer	20-410-630350-9795 GF01		353,152	
	Provided by Client:				
	To recognize the institutional piece of the CARES grants.				
			\$ 1	,059,456	\$ 1,059,456