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August 27, 2012

Northwest Arkansas Community College Board of Trustees c/o Ms. Miranda Smith One College Drive Bentonville, Arkansas 72712

Via Hand Delivery

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Ms. Wendi Cadle Director of Human Resources Northwest Arkansas Community College One College Drive Bentonville, Arkansas 72712

RE: Notice of Appeal of Termination of Employment of Marty Parsons, Senior Vice President for Administrative Services/Chief Financial Officer

Dear Members of the Board of Trustees and Ms. Cadle:

Over two weeks ago, on August 9, 2012, our law firm submitted an appeal to the Board of Trustees on behalf of Marty Parsons concerning his termination as Senior Vice President for Administrative Services/Chief Financial Officer of Northwest Arkansas Community College ("NWACC"). To date, I have not received an acknowledgment of the appeal or any other communication from NWACC concerning the appeal. I write to reiterate Mr. Parsons' request for a hearing with the Board of Trustees pursuant to Section 2-7-4(1)(D) of the NWACC Human Resources Policy or, alternatively, any other available administrative relief.

If I do not hear back from NWACC within ten days, I will assume that NWACC does not intend to recognize Mr. Parsons' appeal and I will recommend that he move forward with his plan to pursue litigation for NWACC's wrongful termination of his employment. As I wrote to you before, Dr. Becky Paneitz did not have all the information before she improperly requested Mr. Parsons' resignation and then hastily terminated his employment without cause. Mr. Parsons' termination constituted a breach of his 2012-13 employment agreement.

As detailed in my August 9, 2012, letter, Mr. Parsons desires to be reinstated to his former position. Alternatively, if Mr. Parsons is not reinstated, he requests payment of all unpaid salary and benefits under his 2012-13 employment contract plus reimbursement of all legal fees incurred during this process. Mr. Parsons also requests that his name be cleared and that all allegations regarding the matters discussed herein be removed from his personnel file.

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I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

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