



August 30, 2013

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Pineville, LA 71360

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Your complaint included copies of the following items of documentation:

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- "Appendix II" Redacted
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We have reviewed your complaint and the documentation you provided, as well as the response to our request for information from the institution, with the following findings:

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Standard 3.10.3 (**Control of finances**). Concerns raised by the responses to those standards resulted in our request for additional information in addition to the Monitoring Report to be provided to the upcoming Special Committee (authorized by the Board of Trustees in December 2012).

For purposes of your specific complaint, we consider it closed and will not proceed. The results of the Monitoring Report and the Special Committee will be reviewed at the Board of Trustees meeting in December, 2013. For additional information following that meeting you may contact Dr. Michael Johnson in mid-December.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Belle S. Wheelan".

Belle S. Wheelan, Ph.D.
President

BSW:pc

C: Dr. Michael Johnson