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State Board of Education

c/o Mike Keckler

Dear State Board Members

Please accept this letter which expresses my interest in an appointment to the North Idaho College Board of Trustees.

NIC is a vital institution to our community which has been imperiled by the leadership of the current Board. While I have no interest in seeking the seat in November, I believe I have the qualifications and the interest to provide the leadership necessary to direct a path forward toward full accreditation.

There are four immediate challenges facing the college: addressing the Northwest Community Colleges and Universities (NWCCU) recommendations, setting tuition, adopting a budget, and hiring a president. While the current four trustees may be able to reach agreement on tuition and budget, they have proven incapable of working through the NWCCU issues and the presidential search process has been deliberately delayed.

Please refer to the attached resume which illustrates my work in my industry, my community, and my legislative work on education issues. Additionally, you should know that I am a part of Save NIC, a 501c4, formed to make Kootenai County aware of the importance of community college accreditation. I have read NIC's board policy and feel that I can operate within its framework.

I spent 18 years on the North Idaho College Foundation and am a Legacy Donor. It pains me to see Foundation endowments withdrawn and scholarships unfunded due to the current board upheaval. I believe I can bring some balance to the board which will reassure donors of the benefit of their investment in education.

**I am a proponent of dual credit and have contributed for many years to the Wayne Meyer Dual Enrollment Scholarship Fund, providing high school students the opportunity to experience college while in high school. Now state funding is available for this opportunity, but students may hesitate to enroll at NIC due to the accreditation issues and instability related to the board's governance.**

**The address above is my physical address and I reside in Zone 2.**

Respectfully submitted,

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### Educational Summary

Insurance - Certified Risk Manager Designation, 2003  
- Graduate - ICRMP Risk Management Program  
- Certified Insurance Counselor designation, 1987  
- Travelers Ins. Co. - Home Office Agents School, 1980  
College - Washington State University, 1972 graduate  
BA-Hotel & Restaurant Administration  
High School - Chelan High School, 1967 graduate  
Honor Society, wrestling and football letters

### Insurance Experience

Property/Casualty Insurance Sales - Insurance Northwest, 2013-present  
Property/Casualty Insurance ownership - Panhandle Insurance Agency, Inc.,  
1983-2010, producer, 2010-2013  
Property/Casualty Insurance Sales-Panhandle Insurance & Realty, 1979-1983  
New York Life Field Underwriter, 1979

### Community Involvement

IGEM Council member, 2013- 2015  
Job's Plus Board of Directors, 2009-2015  
Idaho Suicide Prevention Council, 2006-2016  
North Idaho College Foundation Board member, 2003 - 2021  
Pacific Northwest Economic Region Transportation Task Force Co Chairman, 2007-2009,  
Tourism Co Chair, 2009-2010  
National Conference of State Legislators Executive Committee, 2013-2014  
Common Core Standards Task Force, 2013  
ICRMP Agents Advisory Board, 2012 - 2019  
NCSL Digital Education Advisory Board, 2011 to 2015  
NCSL Teacher Effectiveness Partnership, 2011  
NCSL Task Force on Federal Education Policy, 2008  
NCSL Education Committee Vice Chairman, 2007-2010, Co-chairman, 2011-2012  
Education Commission of the States - Idaho Commissioner, 2001 - 2015,  
Steering Committee member, 2012-2013  
Inland Pacific Hub - Idaho Cochairman, 2006-2012

State Insurance Fund Board of Directors, 2001-2015  
State Insurance Fund Agent's Advisory Committee, 1994-2001

Kootenai Perspectives – board member, 1999-2005

School District #271 - past member of the Long Range Facilities Planning Committee; Board of Trustees, 1997 to 2000

Coeur d Alene Sunrise Rotary, 1996-2007 - charter member, club Secretary, 1996-1998

Kootenai Charities, Inc. - founding member & current President

North Idaho Chamber of Commerce - Kootenai County Vice President, 1995-1998, First Vice President, 1997, President, 1998

Wishing Star Foundation - board member, 1995-1998

Independent Insurance Agents of Idaho - regional director, 1992-1999, executive Committeeman, 1999, legislative committee member, 1991 to 2002, legislative committee co-chair, 1997-1999, president, 2002

Coeur d Alene Chamber of Commerce - Chairman of the Board, 1993; Vice Chair, 1990-1992; Board member, 1987-1994; Legislative Committee chair, 1990; Commodore, 1989 to 2020; member of Legislative, Local Government and Transportation Committees (chairman, 1997-1999)

Dept. of Insurance Continuing Education Advisory Committee, 1991-2003

Coeur d Alene Insurance Agents Association, president 1985

Coeur d Alene Junior Miss Chairman 1985; stage manager, 1985-1989; fund raiser, 1982-1993; committee member, 1982 to 2003

Jaycees - past member of Hayden Lake and Lake City Jaycees, treasurer of the Idaho Jaycees 1979, JCI Senator 1987, president - Idaho JCI Senate, 1994-1996

Idaho Highway Coalition – founding member

Boy Scout Troop #226 & Cub Scout Pack #3 - former adult volunteer & past leader

North Idaho Alzheimer's Association - past board member & treasurer

FOCUS - past board member - Fair, Objective, Credible, and Unbiased Study on Taxes

**Political**

Idaho State Senate, 2000 to 2015

Chairman – Senate Education Committee, 2004 to 2015

Legislative Special Committees:

State Board of Education committee in Education Reform, 2014  
Interim Committee on k-12 Education – Co Chair, 2013  
Governor’s Task Force on Education Improvement, 2013  
Governor’s Task Force on Health Exchanges, 2013  
State Board of Education Accountability Oversight Committee, 2013-2019  
Task Force on Administrator Evaluations, 2011  
IPRAC committee, 2010  
IDLA task force 2010  
Task Force on Teacher Evaluations 2008  
Teacher Salary Task Force, 2007  
Economic Outlook and Revenue Assessment Committee, 2001-2012  
Health Care Task Force, 2003  
Community College Interim Committee, 2006  
Property Tax Interim Committee, 2005

Kootenai County Rep. Party - former precinct committeeman, past State Committeeman,  
Co-chairman State Convention Resolutions committee, 1996

North Idaho Republican Forum - former board member

Awards

2014 Idaho Association of School Administrators Distinguished Service Award

2007 Mountain Plains Adult Education Association Legislator of the Year

2000 Agent of the Year – Idaho Insurance Underwriters Association

1996 Ed Abbott Award winner - Coeur d Alene Area Chamber of Commerce  
volunteer award

Insurance Leader of the Year - Insurance Women of North Idaho, 1993

Jaycee International Senator #41174, 1987

Eagle Scout

Personal

Age 72, married to Terri with 1 child living and 1 step son

Hobbies include pickleball, hiking, camping, golf, hunting, water sports, gardening,  
woodworking, & reading