February 26, 2020

Liz Baham
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Dear Ms. Baham:

During its February 12-14 meeting, the WASC Senior College and University Commission (WSCUC) considered the proposal submitted by Reach Institute for School Leadership (Reach) to offer the Bachelor of Arts in Global Education program in the distance education modality through an Incubation relationship with Oxford Teachers Academy. This proposal represents two requests that required Structural Change review, a first degree at a new level and an Incubation Relationship.

Consideration of these Structural Changes follows submission by the institution of a proposal and its subsequent review by a panel of the Substantive Change Committee via teleconference on January 17, 2020. During its February 2020 meeting, the Structural Change Committee of the Commission reviewed the original Structural Change application materials and additional materials which had been requested to supplement the proposal, and recommended approval of the proposed changes to the Commission.

This recommendation was approved by the Commission as follows:

1. Approve the proposed Structural Change for a first degree at the bachelor’s level, the Bachelor of Arts in Global Education (distance education).
2. Approve the Incubation Relationship with Oxford Teachers Academy with a deadline for implementation of fall 2021.
3. Require a Special Visit in fall 2021 (or one year post-implementation) to assess the implementation of the Incubation Relationship and new program being offered by Reach Institute for School Leadership and Oxford Teachers Academy.

This letter will be posted on the WSCUC website in accordance with WSCUC Commission policy. If Reach would like to respond to the Commission’s findings, a link to your response will be posted on the WSCUC website.
Finally, the Commission wishes to express its appreciation to Reach Institute for School Leadership for its cooperation during this Structural Change review. WSCUC is committed to an accreditation process that adds value to institutions while contributing to public accountability, and we thank you for your continued support of this process.

Please contact me if you have any questions or comments about this letter or the action of the Commission.

Sincerely,

Jamienne S. Studley
President

cc: Reed Dasenbrock, Commission Chair
Members of the Substantive Change Committee panel
Mark Goor, WSCUC Vice President
John Hausaman, Director of Substantive Change and Committee Relations