



6 December 2019

AACC Committee on Directors and Membership Services
c/o Dr. Angel M. Royal
1 Dupont Circle NW, Ste 700
Washington, DC 20036

Dear Committee:

Please accept this letter as evidence of my strong support for Dr. David Harrison's election to the AACC Board of Directors. Dr. Harrison has done an exemplary job as President of Columbus State Community College, where he has served in this capacity since 2010.

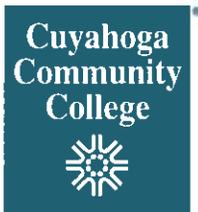
Dr. Harrison's leadership at his college and among his colleagues in Ohio is noteworthy and distinguished: his championing of workforce training in Columbus has resulted in the establishment of the Preferred Pathway program, which guarantees admission to nine central Ohio universities for Columbus State graduates. The program has become a national model for reducing the cost of the bachelor's degree. Dr. Harrison also launched the Office of Talent Strategy at Columbus State, a workforce development intermediary serving eleven counties, in partnership with American Electric Power, JPMorgan Chase, One Columbus, and the Ohio Business Roundtable. Finally, Dr. Harrison championed an ambitious project to build Cameron Mitchell Hall, a \$34.5 million project which houses the College's School of Hospitality Management and Culinary Arts. This program is essential to the booming economy of Columbus, Ohio, and Dr. Harrison recognized this need and sought the resources to address it.

45,000 students from all 88 Ohio counties benefit from the leadership and vision of Dr. David Harrison. He would prove an excellent addition to the AACC Board of Directors. I strongly encourage each President to consider a vote for Dr. Harrison.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jo Alice Blondin".

Jo Alice Blondin, Ph.D.
President



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December 17, 2019

American Association of Community Colleges
Angel Royal, PhD
Chief of Staff
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Dear Dr. Royal,

I endorse wholeheartedly Dr. David Harrison as a candidate for membership on the AACC Board of Directors. Dr. Harrison is a leader whose experience and intellect would add value to the deliberations of the Board and the advancement of the AACC organization. As president of Columbus State Community College, he has made great strides in the college's completion rates and created a program that has become a national model for reducing the cost of bachelor's degrees. His initiatives and forward thinking philosophy as a leader would prove beneficial to AACC, and I hope you give his appointment to the Board consideration.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Alex Johnson".

Alex Johnson, PhD
President, Cuyahoga Community College
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December 30, 2019

Dr. Angel Royal
Chief of Staff
On Behalf of the Board of Directors
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Greetings:

I wholeheartedly and without reservation recommend Dr. David Harrison, president of Columbus State Community College (Ohio), for membership on the AACC board of directors.

Dr. Harrison is seasoned, sensible and very solid. He represents an important college within an important state, yet is humble and considerate. I believe that his collegial approach will be a perfect fit on this board. Dr. Harrison is moving Columbus State forward at astonishing speed, he has a lot to offer when it comes to understanding sustainable relationships and change management.

Thank you for considering Dr. Harrison.

Sincerely,

Steven L. Johnson
President and CEO



December 9, 2019

Dear Colleagues:

It is my honor to provide a letter of support for David Harrison's candidacy for a position on the AACC Board of Directors. Dave serves as the president of Columbus State Community College, a comprehensive community college of 45,000 students in the state's capitol. I have had the privilege of working closely with him on the Governing Board and President's Council of the Ohio Association of Community Colleges. I can speak to his commitment to the ideals of our community colleges and the important challenges that are facing our institutions. He has an excellent grasp of policy and is a gifted advocate with our Governor's office, state education department, and legislature.

President Harrison's experience in workforce, transfer, and dual credit provide him with the perspective that will add value to the Board of Directors. Dave's work with dual credit through his founding leadership of the Central Ohio Compact gives him a unique place in assisting the association and its members with strategies and policies to support the various pressures of dual credit in many of our institutions. Due largely to the Compact and his involvement establishing the Preferred Pathway program with 9 central Ohio universities, he is regarded as a trusted leader among his colleagues in universities, other community colleges, and K-12 school districts.

Having served on the AACC board this term, I can attest that Dave would be an outstanding addition to the Board of Directors and urge your support in the upcoming election.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Kevin Boys".

Kevin Boys, Ed.D.
President

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Sanford C. Shugart, PhD
President

December 11, 2019

American Association of Community Colleges
Committee on Directors and Membership Services

Dear Committee Members:

I write to offer my strongest letter of recommendation for Dr. David Harrison, a nominee in the Institutional Member category for the Board of Directors.

I have known Dr. Harrison for more than fifteen years as a colleague, collaborator, friend, and model leader. At Sinclair Community College, Seminole State College, the University of Central Florida, and Columbus State College he has distinguished himself as a servant leader, a positive change-agent, an advocate for our shared mission, and a courageous and thoughtful colleague. He will make a remarkable addition to the distinguished board of AACC.

Dave is a thinker and a deep listener. He never speaks unless he has something worthwhile to say and his words are generally filled with both wisdom and good humor. He has a palpable humility before the challenges of the work we engage, but also the courage to make big moves and set ambitious goals. Everywhere he has led, he is still held in the highest regard.

Dave is deeply committed to setting new standards in achieving student success, creating economic and personal opportunity for all of our students, and creating the conditions where all can flourish, especially those who need us most. His sense of mission to under-served students and communities, and to seeking equity in outcomes, has been a hallmark of his work.

Dave is deeply self-aware, a trait that is vital in Board leadership, and I think you will find him a very constructive, encouraging, and wise colleague for the board. I enthusiastically support his candidacy.

Yours truly,



Sanford C. "Sandy" Shugart
President