

Mr. David Leech, Chairman  
Arkansas Higher Education Coordinating Board  
102 East 22<sup>nd</sup>  
Stuttgart, AR 72160

Dear Chairman Leech,

As the presidents and chancellors of Arkansas's colleges and universities, it is our great pleasure to offer full support for the candidacy of Mr. Shane Broadway as the next director of the Arkansas Department of Higher Education.

Mr. Broadway has an outstanding record of service to our state and has shown a strong commitment to Arkansas higher education during his tenure as a member of the Arkansas General Assembly and through his recent service as deputy director and interim director of ADHE. He has been involved in shaping state education policy for the past 15 years, including service as a member of the House and Senate Education Committees, co-chair of the Academic Facilities Oversight Committee, chairman of the Southern Legislative Council Education Committee and member of the Southern Regional Education Advisory Board, among other roles.


Over the past six months, Mr. Broadway has shown outstanding leadership on the key issues facing our colleges and universities. As we move to adopt a new funding model for our institutions and work to increase degree production at all levels, it is critical that we have a director who understands the role higher education plays in the economic viability of our state. Mr. Broadway fits this description perfectly.

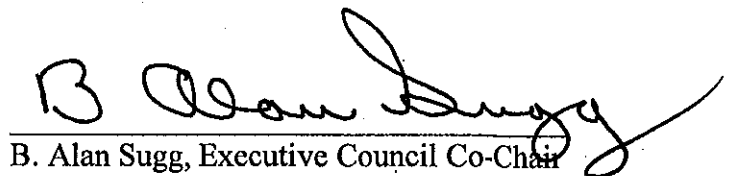
During the most recent legislative session, Mr. Broadway showed special insight and understanding of major issues facing higher education such as funding, remediation, and the Arkansas Academic Challenge Scholarship program, among others. It was clear that his experience as a legislator had given him the knowledge and background to help shape policies to move Arkansas higher education forward.


Finally, during his time as interim director, Mr. Broadway has worked to develop an atmosphere of cooperation with the presidents and chancellors. He has a unique ability to bring together differing viewpoints to achieve a consensus regarding important issues. It has been a pleasure for us to work with him, and we recommend without reservation his appointment as director of ADHE.

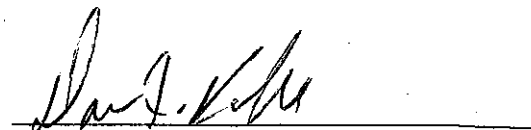
This recommendation was unanimously adopted at the meeting of the President's Council on July 12, 2011 and was endorsed by all the presidents and chancellors of the public colleges and universities in Arkansas.

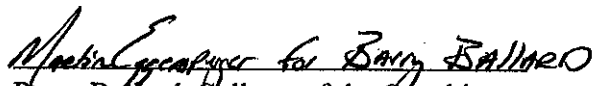
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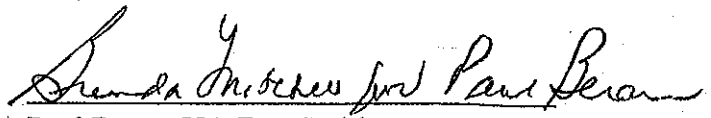
  
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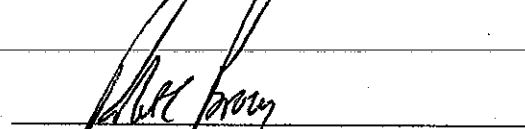
  
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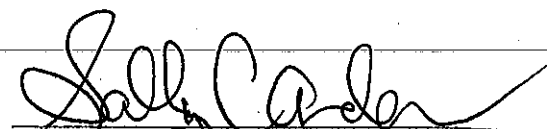
  
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Barry Ballard, College of the Ouachitas


  
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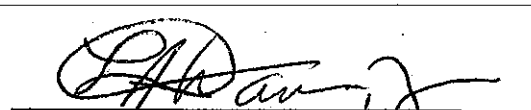
  
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Sally Carder, National Park CC


  
Steve Cole, Cossatot CCUA


  
Ed Coulter, ASU Mountain Home


  
Larry Davis, UACC Morrilton

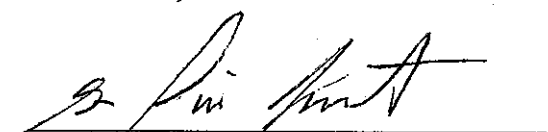
  
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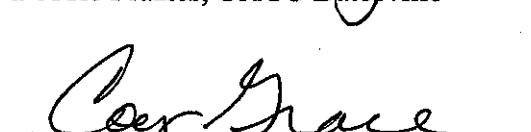
  
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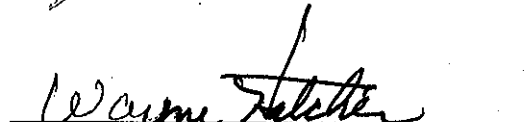
  
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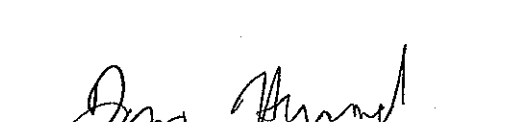
  
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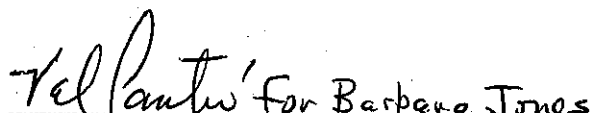
  
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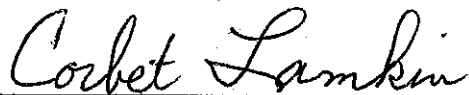
  
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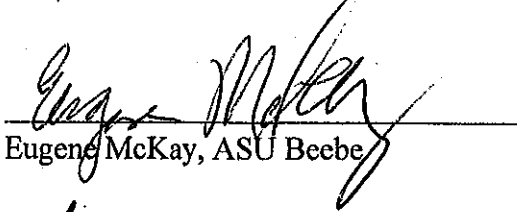
  
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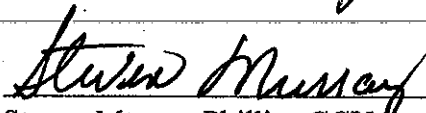
  
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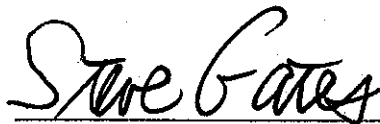
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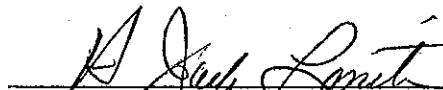
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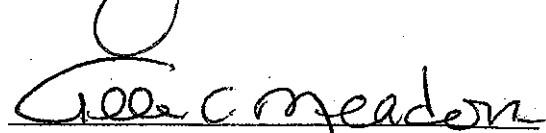
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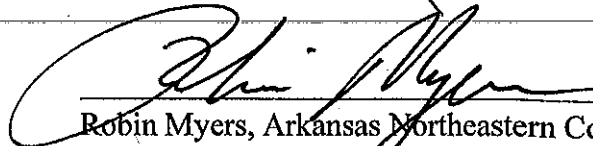
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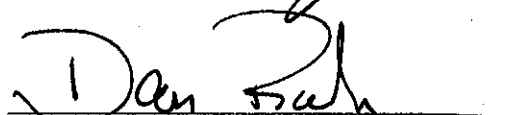
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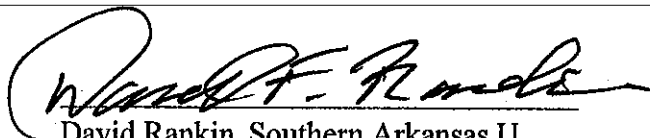
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Robin Myers, Arkansas Northeastern Coll



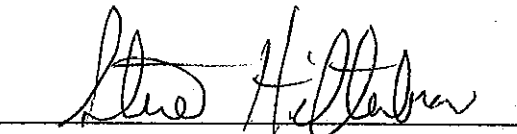
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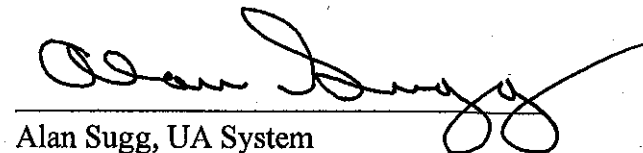
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Steve Rook, Rich Mountain CC



Tom Spencer, Southeast Arkansas Coll



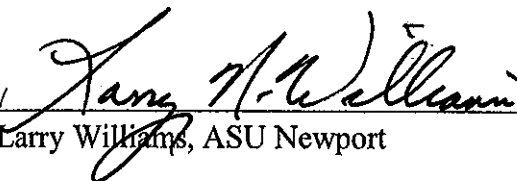
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