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T. Carter Crawford, ASLA
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Dear Professor Crawford:

The Landscape Architectural Accreditation Board (LAAB) at its February 16-17, 2018 meeting considered the accreditation of the course of study leading to the first professional BSLA degree at North Carolina A&T State University and decided to defer action until the LAAB Summer 2018 meeting. Deferment is not deemed to be an adverse action and therefore is not subject to appeal. Additionally, the program will remain accredited until a final decision is reached by the board.

In order to make an informed decision, the board would like an update and additional documentation on two of the Recommendations Affecting Accreditation that were identified in the Visiting Team Report sent to the program on December 22, 2017. The program should submit a narrative update with documentation demonstrating compliance with accreditation standards by June 1, 2018.

The board would like an update on the completion of the search to attain the required three full-time faculty members with professional degrees in landscape architecture. While the Visiting Team Report stated that a search is currently underway for a full-time lecturer that would round out the required three full-time faculty, the board would like to get a status update on that search. The program should complete an Individual Faculty Record (LAAB SER Format, Addendum E, #5, page 38) for the individual hired and include the hire date. If the program has not completed the search, the program should provide a narrative outlining the timeline and any progress made in the search to hire an additional full-time faculty member.

The board would also like an update on the completion of improvements that will bring the program building, Carver Hall, into ADA compliance. The board is concerned that this issue was cited as a Recommendation by the previous accreditation team during an accreditation review in fall 2011 and was not rectified during the program's six-year term of accreditation. The program assured the team, during this most recent review, that this issue would be addressed by the end of the year. The board would like the program to provide a narrative update, including any supporting documentation, to demonstrate that the program has indeed addressed this issue and is in compliance with accreditation standards and ADA regulations.

In deferring its decision, LAAB considered the program's self-evaluation report, the visiting team report, the institution's response to the team report, and discussions with team members and program faculty.

On behalf of the visiting team, I would like to thank you for the hospitality extended to them by the faculty, staff, and students.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Kenneth Brooks", followed by a horizontal line.

Kenneth Brooks, FASLA, FCELA
LAAB Chair

cc: Harold L. Martin, Sr., Chancellor