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June 28, 2001

Dean Sue Kirkpatrick
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Dear Dean Kirkpatrick:

The NASM Commission on Accreditation at its June meetings gave careful consideration to the application for renewal of Membership submitted by the University of Alabama, Huntsville.

The Commission voted to approve the application and continue the institution in good standing with the following degree listing:

Bachelor of Arts in Music.
Bachelor of Arts in Music Education.

The next NASM evaluation for reaccreditation is scheduled for the 2010–2011 academic year.

The Commission requests a progress report addressing the following concerns:

1. The institution is asked to submit documentation detailing the development and implementation schedule of plans to improve and expand the space available for music instruction and performance (see NASM Visitors' Report, page 7, item F; NASM *Handbook 2001-2002*, page 63, item II.F.).
2. The institution is asked to submit a newly published catalog and other appropriate documentation providing evidence that:
 - a. The affiliation of the institution with NASM is stated in accordance with NASM standards (see NASM *Handbook 2001-2002*, page 48, Rules of Practice and Procedure, Article XII.). The institution may also wish to make note of proposed revisions to the NASM standards statement regarding Printed Recognition of Membership (see NASM Proposed Handbook Changes – June 2001, page 2, Rules of Practice and Procedure, Article XII). A copy of this proposal is enclosed for your reference.
 - b. Curricular changes as described in the Optional Response to the NASM Visitors' Report have been fully implemented.

The progress report should be submitted by October 1 for consideration at the Commission meetings of November, 2001.

A copy of the NASM Visitors' Report is enclosed, along with a document outlining procedures for submitting the progress report.

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Please contact the NASM National Office staff if you need clarification, information, or assistance in responding to the issues raised by the Commission.

The Commission commends the University of Alabama, Huntsville for the high quality of its Optional Response regarding curricular issues, including the documentation provided for all changes. The institution is also commended for the thorough integration of technology into the curriculum.

The Commission also wishes to recognize the exemplary leadership of the late Dr. David L. Graves in preparing an excellent Self-Study document.

This action is taken upon review of the University of Alabama, Huntsville according to accreditation standards in effect in June of 2001. As a member of NASM, the institution is responsible for participating in all revisions and additions to the standards as well as maintaining its curricular programs in music current with NASM standards as these are developed.

Please accept our congratulations on behalf of the Association.

With best wishes and cordial regards, I remain

Sincerely yours,



Samuel Hope
Executive Director

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Enclosure

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