

EXHIBIT: III.C.

TO: Members of the State Board of Education

FROM: Susan A. Gendron, Commissioner*

DATE: January 10, 2007

SUBJECT: Composition of the Proposed Review Team to Assess the Application for Additional Degree-Granting Authorization as Submitted by Husson College to Award the Pharm. Doctor (P.D.) Degree.

BACKGROUND: 20-A MRSA, Chapter 409 provides that a postsecondary educational institution desiring to confer additional degrees must obtain authorization from the Maine State Board of Education. Husson College has previously been authorized to award specific degrees at the Associate, Baccalaureate, Master's, and Doctoral levels.

Officials of Husson College, located in Bangor, Maine, have submitted an application seeking authority to confer an additional degree, the Pharm. Doctor (P.D.). The application materials state that “. . . our application commits Husson College to the highest quality in program development and leadership. . . . we are committed to a School of Pharmacy that serves both Maine students and Maine citizens.” A program approval visit will be scheduled to take place in late-February, 2007.

RECOMMENDATION: That the State Board of Education approve the individuals presented to serve as review team members for evaluating the request from Husson College to confer the additional degree of Pharm. Doctor (P.D.).

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Proposed Review Team Membership

Husson College has requested the review and approval of its application for additional degree-granting authorization. The following, for Board approval, is the proposed list of panel members to serve on the review team:

Len Tyler, Chair
President
Maine Maritime Academy
Brunswick, Maine

Dr. Dora Mills
Director
Maine Bureau of Health
Augusta, Maine

Laurier Lamie, R.Ph.
President
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