

March 15, 2022

Dr. Taeseok Namgoong, President
Ezra University
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c/d [REDACTED]

Dear President Namgoong:

The ABHE Commission on Accreditation reviewed your institution at its February 12-16, 2022, meeting and took the following action:

Withdraw candidate status from Ezra University (CA) and require an acceptable teach-out agreement due May 15, 2022, in light of the Commission on Accreditation's judgment that the institution fails to comply with the following ABHE Conditions of Eligibility:

- **COE 18 – Institutional Stability and Capacity (Must demonstrate a pattern of stability in enrollment, governing board, administration, faculty, and finances)**
- **COE 21 – Annual Audit (Must have financial records that receive an annual audit)**
- **COE 22 – Agency Disclosure (Must agree to disclose to the association any and all such information as it may require to carry out its evaluation and accreditation functions)**
- **COE 23 – Compliance (Must commit to comply with Association's Standards for Accreditation.**
- **Policy and Procedures for Institutional Accreditation: 2b Candidate Status: Maintaining Candidate Status (Failure to pay annual dues)**

Ezra University hosted a virtual evaluation team visit for initial accreditation March 24-26, 2021. The institution did not submit a Response to the Team Report due September 15, 2021, did not pay Association dues due October 15, 2021, did not submit Annual Report information including the annual audit due November 15, 2021, and did not respond to multiple attempts to contact institutional leaders, including a letter dated January 6, 2022, sent by email and registered mail. As required by the Policy and Procedures for Institutional Accreditation, continued candidate status is contingent upon submission to the COA all required reports and timely payment of annual Association and COA dues and applicable fees. Since Ezra University has not submitted required reports or paid annual Association dues, the candidate status of Ezra University has been withdrawn.

Withdrawal of candidate status is an action that may be reviewed or appealed in accordance with the ABHE Policy and Procedures for Reviews and does not become final until the institution has had an opportunity to request a review or appeal of the decision. You received notification of this action and the opportunity to request a review or appeal in an Action letter dated March 4, 2022. Since no request for review or appeal was filed during the 10-day allotted time, **the decision of the ABHE Commission on Accreditation is final, effective today, March 15, 2022.**

ABHE provides notification of the action to the United States Department of Education, state and provincial postsecondary education offices, and recognized accrediting agencies at the same time as notification is

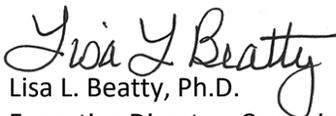
provided to the institution. Within 24 hours of this notification, the action and the reasons for the action will be posted to the ABHE website. A link to this action letter will also be available.

Any official comments that the institution may wish to make in response to the decision that are received at coa@abhe.org by May 14, 2022, will be made available to (1) the U.S. Department of Education, (2) state and provincial postsecondary education offices, (3) recognized accrediting agencies, and (4) the public. If no comments are offered, ABHE will document that the institution was provided opportunity to make comments.

An institution which has had its candidate status withdrawn may seek reinstatement to applicant or candidate status after one year has passed since the action of withdrawal became final. Reinstatement to applicant status requires demonstration that the institution satisfies the 22 Conditions of Eligibility, followed by a decision by the Commission on Accreditation concerning applicant status. Reinstatement to candidate status requires submission of a new self-study and hosting an evaluation team visit, followed by a decision by the Commission on Accreditation concerning candidate status. Because reinstatement to candidate status requires a self-study and evaluation team visit, and such decisions are made only at the February Commission meeting, an additional year should be anticipated for that process. An institution has up to three years from the date of this action to seek reinstatement (initiate the process), which affords an institution the opportunity to resolve any deficiencies on a flexible timeline (see COA Manual, Policy on Reinstatement for more information).

If you have any questions concerning this decision, please do not hesitate to contact me. May God bless and give you wisdom as you consider your options at this juncture in the institution's history. If I may be of assistance in exploring alternatives, please let me know.

Sincerely,



Lisa L. Beatty, Ph.D.

Executive Director, Commission on Accreditation

cc: Dr. Youngyi Park, Board Chair, c/o [REDACTED]