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# AABInternational

August 1, 2022

Dr. Thomas W. Newsom  
Office of the President  
Southeastern Oklahoma State University  
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425 West University Blvd.  
Durant, OK 74701-3347

Dear Dr. Newsom:

At its Annual Meeting held July 11-15, 2022, the Accreditation Committee and the Board of Trustees of the Aviation Accreditation Board International (AABI) acted on the application for reaffirmation of one program submitted by Southeastern Oklahoma State University (SE) November 24, 2020.

I am pleased to advise you that the Board action was to reaffirm the following program for a period of five years:

**B.S. in Professional Pilot (AABI Flight Education)**

The Board accepted the institution's responses to Recommendations 1-5, and requires an interim report, due June 6, 2023, which provides the evidence specified below for Recommendations 6 and 7:

6. Create a process for the new Industry Advisory Board to provide advice in the development and evaluation of the program (Criterion 3.9).

**Show evidence that the IAB has met and is providing advice in the development and evaluation of the program.**

7. Develop an assessment process that includes a written plan with documented results. This process MUST incorporate relevant evidence used to regularly assess the program. The results of the assessment MUST be used to effect continuous improvement of the program and must include each of the areas listed in Criterion 3.10.1. The assessment plan, process, and implementation must include the requirements of Criterion 3.10.2, 1-4.

**Provide an updated listing of the material provided in the institution's response to Recommendation 7, and the resulting continuous improvement for the program.**

Enclosed with this letter is a public release policy, which has been excerpted from the AABI Policies & Procedures Manual. Please advise appropriate members of the faculty and staff of the necessity to adhere to this policy. A Certificate of Accreditation from AABI is also enclosed, along with a list of accredited programs.

On behalf of the AABI Board of Trustees, congratulations and thank you for the confidence you have placed in AABI and the commitment that you have evidenced toward quality aviation education through membership and successful reaffirmation of one program. Since AABI accreditation for this program will expire on July 31, 2027, we suggest that an application be

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submitted for reaffirmation of accreditation by July 2025 to allow approximately 24 months for the reaffirmation process.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Guy M. Smith". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Guy" being the most prominent.

Guy M. Smith, Ph.D.  
President

cc: Dr. Thomas Q. Carney, Vice President of Accreditation and Chair, Accreditation  
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