MEMORANDUM

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To: President Robert Maxson, California State University, Long Beach
    President James Rosser, California State University, Los Angeles
    President Jolene Koester, California State University, Northridge
    President Alexander Gonzalez, California State University, Sacramento
    President Steven Weber, San Diego State University
    President Robert Corrigan, San Francisco State University

From: Keith O. Boyum
      Associate Vice Chancellor, Academic Affairs

Subject: Joint Programs with the University of California Leading to the Au.D.;
Request for Regional Discussions and a Joint Letter of Intent

I am writing to update you on recent discussions within the University of California and the
California State University, and to outline next steps in planning joint UC/CSU programs
leading to the Doctor of Audiology (Au.D.) degree. This memorandum is in all substantive
elements identical to a letter being sent this date to key partners in the University of
California.

1. Background and General Outline. Based upon a CSU-UC discussion in October,
internal discussions within our systems, and further feedback from the Speech-Language
Pathology and Audiology Board, the UC and CSU systems have reached agreement about
the number of programs that we will initially work to establish and the estimated statewide
target for new first-year student enrollments. Specifically, we have agreed that the
statewide enrollment target should be approximately forty students per year and that three
joint programs is the maximum number that should be developed at the outset, as we begin
this endeavor. These programs will include the existing San Diego State University/UC
San Diego program (expanded, if possible), one new program in northern California, and
one new program in the Los Angeles/Orange County area. Each of these would be a four-
year program, with approximately 10-15 students per year, per region (again, aiming for a
statewide initial target of 40 students per year). We believe this is a realistic and practical
goal as we begin.
2. **Regional Discussions Requested.** Because there are five UC campuses (Davis, Irvine, Los Angeles, San Diego and San Francisco) and six CSU campuses (Long Beach, Los Angeles, Northridge, Sacramento, San Francisco, San Diego) that remain interested in developing (or expanding) joint programs, we are asking that regional discussions begin now with potential partners. The intent of these discussions should be for you to jointly assess and then document the following:

- the specific assets and resources that are available from each partner and that could be committed to a new program (i.e., the numbers, names and qualifications of faculty, the space available or that could be committed for classroom, laboratory, and clinical instruction, equipment available now, and a realistic list of other resources in hand or that would be required to develop a new program);
- the level of institutional (i.e., campus-specific) interest in developing / expanding a joint UC/CSU doctoral program in audiology;
- the estimated time that will be needed to establish (or expand) programs that will ensure high standards for teaching and patient care (including the date by which you believe new students could be admitted).

3. **Request for Joint Letter of Intent.** It is our shared responsibility to create new programs that will involve UC and CSU campuses that have (or will have) a sufficient critical mass of faculty and students to ensure that all new programs attract talented students who will be well trained to care for their future patients. With this in mind, we ask that, following local discussions in the next six or seven weeks, interested CSU and UC campuses submit a joint Letter of Intent that answers these questions and provides any other relevant information. This letter should not exceed five pages, single-spaced and is due on **Wednesday, January 18, 2006**. Copies should be sent simultaneously to me and to the University of California’s Dr. Nation via email (cathryn.nation@ucop.edu) or at this address:

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   These responses will be reviewed and carefully evaluated, with a goal of selecting campus partners by January 31. Once these decisions are made, we will work together with you to outline and facilitate program planning. As we discussed in October and subsequently, we recognize that new resources will be required to support these programs. Our offices are continuing to talk about these matters and will be prepared to work together with you on details once tentative agreement is reached about campus participants for this first step.
4. Further Assistance. Further assistance and support for your planning efforts will be provided when campus partners are identified. In addition to Dr. Nation, the University of California’s Dr. Andrea Gerstenberger in the Office of Health Affairs (510/287-3807) is a resource for UC topics and interests; and Dr. Jolayne Service (562/951-4723) or jo@calstate.edu) is a resource for CSU topics and interests. I am also available for discussions, at 562/951-4712, or via e-mail at kboyum@calstate.edu. Dr. Nation and I will plan to share with all interested persons any questions, and answers as they occur.

For your convenience and information, a list of contacts at the campus level is attached.

Dr. Nation and I appreciate your patience and look forward to working with you on this important endeavor.

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