

October 1, 2024

Mark Gavin, Ph.D. Vice Provost West Virginia University

Re: Sub-Delegation of Authority

Dear Mark:

Pursuant to the Delegation of Authority signed and dated October 1, 2024, by E. Gordon Gee, President of West Virginia University ("Original Delegation"), I hereby authorize you to act in my absence or unavailability to oversee the academic affairs and operations of the University. You are further authorized, in my absence or at my direction, to approve and sign all documents necessary for the advancement of the academic goals and objectives of the University. Additionally, I hereby sub-delegate to you the authority to approve and sign all academic affiliation and collaboration agreements, as well as all documents necessary for the advancement of the mission and goals of the Brad and Alys Smith Outdoor Economic Development Collaborative, including all documents related to the University's Science Adventure School and the University's initiatives with the Boy Scouts of America. This sub-delegation shall include, but is not limited to, the Ascend WV remote worker agreements.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, any and all documents signed in reliance of this written delegation shall be reviewed and approved by the General Counsel or designee in advance of signing. Additionally, you are required to comply with all West Virginia University Board of Governors ("BOG") Rules and policies, including BOG Governance Rule 1.4 – *Ethics, Conflicts of Interest, and Outside Consulting Arrangements* and are responsible for disclosing any potential conflicts of interest. Furthermore, all agreements must be routed to the appropriate administrative units in advance of signing, including but not limited to, Procurement, Contracting, and Payment Services; Information Technology Services; Finance; and/or the Office of Sponsored Programs, if applicable. For avoidance of doubt, all contracts related to the purchase of goods or services must be signed by an official from Procurement, Contracting, and Payment Services, unless otherwise approved by the General Counsel's Office.

In the exercise of this authority, you shall provide professional, executive, supervisory and general administrative services, as appropriate, and provide regular updates to me or my successor. This sub-delegation will continue until such time as the Original Delegation is revoked; or the President of West Virginia University, I, or my successor, deem this sub-delegation revoked and notify you of such revocation in writing.

Sincerely,

Paul Kreider, Ph.D. Interim Provost

cc: General Counsel President E. Gordon Gee