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To whom it may concern,

It is with great satisfaction that I humbly write this letter of intent to apply for a position with the Montana Post-Secondary Educational Opportunities Council (MPSEOC) Board of directors. MPSEOC is an organization that I am truly passionate about. I have actively participated with MPSEOC chairing the tribal leadership team since my election in summer of 2015. Serving on the tribal leadership team has been such a remarkable experience. I believe that tribal college representation on the MPSEOC board of directors is crucial and will help MPSEOC better serve our native students throughout Montana.

MPSEOC brings our Montana TCU students a multitude of opportunities that just would not exist without the collaboration, dedication, and hard work from everyone involved with this amazing organization statewide. Montana tribal colleges have benefited greatly from the opportunities that MPSEOC provides to our unique organizations. I take great pleasure in reporting that this year we broke the record bringing 52 colleges and internship offering organizations to our native Montana students. I had an opportunity to have a conversation with the Director of MPSEOC (the amazing Amy Leary) about how far the organization has come over the last nine years since I attended my first MPSEOC college fair as a Dull Knife student. Nine years ago there were 18 representatives that traveled on the tribal circuit soaring to 52 in 2017 (and we are still growing!).

The collaborative efforts of MPSEOC have bridged a major divide that once existed between TCU's and Montana universities. MPSEOC has created lasting professional and collaborative relationships throughout the Montana university system that eases the terrifying transfer process for our native students. The college fairs are so beneficial in giving Montana students a positive point of contact no matter where they choose to transfer statewide. I hope to continue working with this organization to better serve all Montana higher education students. Thank you for your time and consideration, let's keep serving students!

If you have any further questions I can be reached via telephone at (406) 477-6215 Ext. 189.

Respectfully,

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