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Dear Dr. Farahi,

At the May 2017 meeting of the National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB), the board reviewed the *Application for Candidacy* for Kean University.

As a result, the proposed **Master of Architecture** professional architecture degree programs in New Jersey and China have been accepted as eligible for candidacy. The initial candidacy visit for the New Jersey program has been added to the visit list for fall 2017. This visit will be conducted under the provisions of the NAAB 2014 Conditions for Accreditation and Section 4 of the NAAB Procedures for Accreditation, 2015 Edition.

It is understood, that the schedule of the visit for the Initial Candidacy visit for the China campus will take place at a later time and that both programs will progress toward accreditation on different time schedules.

The *Architecture Program Report for Initial Candidacy* (APR-IC) is due in the NAAB office 180 days before the date of the visit. The format and content of the APR-IC is described in detail in Sections 2 and 4 of the Procedures and in the Guidelines for Preparing an APR.

The Board wishes to express its support for newly developing programs by encouraging administrators and faculty to take advantage of the resources available within the community of program administrators, department chairs, and deans represented by the members of the Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture. The annual ACSA Administrators Conference and the ACSA Annual Meeting can be a source of rich discussion and advice for emerging programs.

A letter with the name of the proposed chair for this visit will be forthcoming later this month. Once Kean University approves the chair, you will be able to set the date for the visit.

If the program wishes to postpone its visit for initial candidacy to the spring of 2018, please submit a request at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Judith Kinnard', is written over a printed name and title.

Judith Kinnard, FAIA
President

cc: David Mohny, Dean
Celeste Novak, FAIA, Eligibility Reviewer

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