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Dr. Dwight Link
President
Bay de Noc Community College
U.S. 2 and 41 at College
Escanaba, Michigan 49829

Dear President Link:

Thank you for your recent request for information concerning the legal authority and approval of Bay De Noc Community College functioning as a degree granting community college.

Article 8, Section 7, of the Michigan Constitution establishes the role of the State Board of Education concerning general supervision and planning for such colleges and requests for annual appropriations. Public Act 331 of 1966; namely, the Community College Act, authorizes the Michigan State Board of Education, upon the advice of the State Board for Public Community and Junior Colleges, to approve the request for the establishment and creation of public community and junior colleges.

On August 9, 1962, the State Board of Education approved the request of the Delta County Commission to conduct an election to establish a community college entity to elect a board of trustees, and to provide for local millage support. This action was approved by the voters of the college district in November, 1962.

I hope that this response addresses your request for information.

Sincerely,


Gary D. Hawks

cc: Mr. Lad Dombrowski, Administrative Secretary,
State Board of Education