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Dr. Carine M. Feyten, Chancellor and President Texas Woman's University 304 Administration Dr. Denton, TX 76204

Dear Dr. Feyton,

I am attaching the final report on *A Compliance Monitoring Desk Review of the TEXAS Grant at Texas Woman's University,* Report No. THECB-CM-FA-20-017. There were no findings resulting from this engagement.

This Compliance Monitoring report will be presented to the THECB Committee on Agency Operations, a standing committee of the THECB Board, in July 2020.

If you have any questions or comments, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Mark A. Poehl, CPA, CIA, CISA, CFE Director, Internal Audit and Compliance

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#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Texas Woman's University (TWU) complied with relevant Coordinating Board (THECB) rules and regulations for the Toward EXcellence, Access, and Success (TEXAS) Grant Program and with Texas Administrative Code (TAC) 19, Chapter 22, Sections §22.225 - 22.240, in the areas of eligibility and award amounts.

We reviewed the following areas:

#### **Award Amounts**

No reportable findings were noted.

# **Student Eligibility**

No reportable findings were noted.

# **Financial Need**

No reportable findings were noted.

#### **Satisfactory Academic Progress**

No reportable findings were noted.

# Residency

No reportable findings were noted.

## **Selective Service Registration**

No reportable findings were noted.

# Scope, Objective, and Methodology

Our compliance desk review included tests of TEXAS Grant disbursements during fiscal year 2018-19 for compliance with relevant criteria, including:

- Student Eligibility
- Financial Need
- Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP)
- Residency
- Selective Service Registration
- Award Amounts

Our work included procedures to verify:

- Students met all eligibility criteria including SAP requirements;
- Students demonstrated financial need;
- Students fulfilled residency requirements;
- Applicable students registered with the selective service system; and
- Reported award amounts reconciled with Texas Woman's University Colleague data system and payment records.

The desk review methodology included objectively reviewing and analyzing various forms of documentation, conducting interviews and observations, and performing other tests of controls necessary to achieve the objectives of the desk review. THECB used random and judgmental sampling to determine the extent to which Texas Woman's University accurately reported TEXAS Grant data.

#### **Background**

The purpose of the Toward EXcellence, Access, and Success (TEXAS) Grant Program is to provide grants of money to enable eligible students to attend public institutions of higher education in this state. During fiscal year 2018-2019, Texas Woman's University awarded \$7,682,246 in TEXAS Grants to 1,413 students.

#### **PERFORMED BY:**

Ms. Elizabeth M. Steele, Compliance Specialist

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