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Dear Patty,

I am writing with a hearty thank you and well done for the wonderful job you did at the May 9 Lost in Transition: Teaching History, Geography, Political Science/Civics, and Economics: Integration of Inquiry, Digital Literacy Skills, and Wyoming Standards institute in Casper! The 39 participants left with first rate materials in hand, also a day's worth of exceptional conversation and collegial sharing.

In particular, thank you for being on the panel we called, "Inquiry Arc for Social Studies State Standards College, Career and Civic Life Framework." That segment of the day earned high praise and set up the day's work in the best of ways. You've already seen participant feedback, but several comments are worth noting here. One participant wrote, *"I really liked the panel discussion format and the different ideas that were expressed. We, as teachers, need to expect more from our students to prepare them for the 3Cs [college, career, civic life]."* Another observed, *"It's important to remember that we all have similar concerns/issues in our classrooms. Keeping open conversation and collaboration will help alleviate these issues."* We know from past meetings that opportunities for secondary and postsecondary faculty to meet on a level playing field are highly valued and generate significant good will. Your presence and voice made that happen in Casper, Patty. Thank you for giving us your time and energy, far from Laramie. It's worth it!

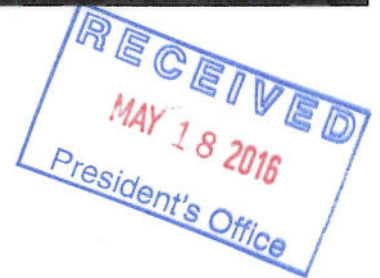
Sincerely,

Audrey Kleinsasser, Professor and Director

cc: Shawn Holz, Director of Academic Affairs, LCCC, Albany County Campus

✓ Joe Schaffer, President, LCCC

Joe - This was a terrific collaboration with Patty. We'll aim for more of them. Hope all's well (bad budget news not withstanding) Over your way! ARC



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