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Memorandum

To: Haskell Students, Faculty, and Staff

From: James C. Redman, President

Date: Tuesday, May 7, 2013

Re: Haskell Indian Nations Office of President

This memorandum serves to address a recent posting on a public forum regarding my tenure as President. The timing of this release was previously set to happen after commencement to keep the focus of this week on celebrating the success of our students' academic achievements. Our students have worked very hard and deserve this time be about them. I am asking that the public please respect this request. More information will be made available following commencement.

I was recently offered a position which would involve my return to Oklahoma and family. The choice was difficult for me. However, my wife and I both are at key points in our careers – she is beginning a career in nursing, and I have a great opportunity to continue to serve Indian Country in a new capacity. I value my time here at Haskell as well as the strides we have made to overcome obstacles and begin healing. Haskell is and will always be a special place for me. I will continue to be a strong advocate for the university in my new role.

As president at Haskell, I have enjoyed the pleasure of developing lifelong bonds through collaboration, partnerships, and networking in higher education circles as well as federal, state, and local officials. The support garnered over time for Haskell from our Lawrence family and the greater community has and will continue to be paramount to this university. I am very appreciative to all of those that have supported Haskell; to the Assistant Secretary - Department of the Interior for entrusting me with such a responsibility and opportunity, and the Haskell employees, volunteers, and friends. Most importantly, an opportunity to serve the some of the nation's best and brightest students will remain the hallmark of my career.

Respectfully,

Chris Redman, MHR
President, Haskell Indian Nations University