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THEREFORE, to implement and accomplish the above-stated commitments and objectives, the Parties agree to the following:

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  - a. Support, finance, promote and operate an efficient and effective Statewide High School Business Plan Competition open to all qualified juniors and seniors enrolled full time in West Virginia Department of Education high schools.
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  - a. Fund a ten thousand dollar (\$10,000) scholarship for the term of this agreement to the winning team each year. Only those students who apply to, are accepted, and attend Concord University are eligible, and the ten thousand dollar (\$10,000) team prize shall be split equally among the team members and divided over eight semesters. Scholarship terms and conditions for qualifications and expenditures are defined below.

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- 4. Amendments. This MOU can be amended and/or terminated only by the mutual written consent of both parties.
- 5. Authority. The undersigned hereby represents and warrants that it is fully authorized to execute this Agreement without obtaining the consent of any third party.
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BRICKSTREET CENTER FOR INNOVATION AND
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Dr. Kathy D'Antoni	Dr. Kendra Boggess
Assistant Superintendent of Schools	President, Concord University
Date: 2/6/14	Date: 9/20/2013

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