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Dr. Richard F. Spavins
Executive Director
New England Foundation for
Osteopathic Medicine
50 Evergreen Street
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Dear Dr. Spavins:

My staff enjoyed meeting with you and Dr. William Bergen last week and, as requested, I am herewith submitting a letter declaring that New England College is very interested in being considered as the site for the New England College of Osteopathic Medicine.

It should not be necessary to comment on our Science Building and Library as I understand you inspected both facilities and realize their desirability in meeting your needs. I do not see any immediate problem in providing two class-rooms and laboratory space for 100 students in our Science Building and for housing 3,000 volumes of medical publications in our Library.

We have ample student housing on campus and in town for your anticipated enrollment.

We do not, at present, have a science faculty to teach the courses of instruction. However, as Dr. Charles Puglia indicated, we would immediately add competent faculty in the areas required; they are readily available and in adequate numbers for premium selection.

The geographic location of New England College is certainly advantageous, since it is in the center of the New England States both East and West and North and South. We are 15 minutes away from Concord, $\frac{1}{2}$ hour from Manchester, $1\frac{1}{2}$ hours from Boston, Massachusetts, and Portland, Maine; $2\frac{1}{2}$ hours from Burlington, Vermont, and Hartford, Connecticut; and $5\frac{1}{2}$ hours from New York City.

I am certain that together we can obtain federal and foundation funding. It is essential that your foundation has the initial resources. I assume you have considered a capital campaign sometime in the near future.

We have a trustee meeting in April. Should you choose New England College as your site, I am sure trustee action would be favorable. Naturally, many specific details would have to be worked out after your initial intentions are declared. Board representation would be part of the proposal.

Our By-Laws present no problem in issuing a Doctor of Osteopathy degree, but clearance would be necessary from the Postsecondary Education Commission for New Hampshire. This also should pose no problem.

May I encourage your Board to accept New England College as your regional medical school site for the New England States. I hope we can work together in this new venture.

Sincerely,

J. Kenneth Cummiskey

President

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