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Hon. Dominic Cardy
Minister of Education and Early Childhood Development
Department of Education
P.O. Box 6000
Fredericton, NB E3B 5H1

Dear Minister Cardy:

RE: ASD-S District Education Council Motions re Phase 3, Policy 409, Saint John Central City Schools

As a follow up to the January 9, 2019 Anglophone South District Education Council meeting, please be advised that the following motions were approved by Council:

... “to reconfigure Millidgeville North School (currently grades 3-8) to a middle school (grades 6-8)”.

... “to convert M. Gerald Teed (currently K-2) to a K-5, with either an addition to the school or the closure of M. Gerald Teed and the construction of a replacement school”. This would allow for the accommodation of grades 3-5 students from Millidgeville North School.

... “to reconfigure Princess Elizabeth School (currently K-8) to a K-5”. The DEC would ask the Department for a full facility analysis of Princess Elizabeth School or a new school, depending on cost. Middle school students would move to Millidgeville North only when M. Gerald Teed is able to accept the grades 3-5 students from Millidgeville North.

...to “reconfigure Hazen-White/St. Francis (currently K-8) to a K-5, with grades 6-8 students moving to Millidgeville North effective September 2019.”

Council and District staff held a joint PSSC meeting with all the schools involved in Phase 3 on October 29, 2018 to explain the process and the options being reviewed for all schools prior to beginning community consultation. An additional PSSC meeting was held at Hazen-White/St. Francis School on October 18, 2018.

The DEC held two public meetings with the M. Gerald Teed School community as per Policy 409 as the addition of grades 3-5 will mean an addition to the school, and if that is not feasible, a closure and a new school. These meetings were advertised on the ASD-S website, in print media, through parent letters and school talk mails. The third public meeting was our January 9, 2019 DEC meeting where the Chair presented the summary documents from the meetings held in the school community.

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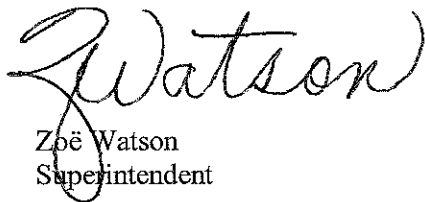
The attached binder includes documentation from the consultation process (print ads, parent letters, ASD-S power points used in the first meeting, submissions shared with DEC, notes from the public meetings and a summary chart of the process).

Also attached is a summary of the grade reconfiguration meetings held at Princess Elizabeth, Millidgeville North and Hazen-White St. Francis. Council met with each school community to gather feedback on the proposed reconfigurations being considered.

A copy of the approved Minutes of the DEC's January 9, 2019 meeting with the motions and record of discussions will be forwarded to you following our February 13, 2019 public DEC meeting.

Should you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours truly,



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Superintendent

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