Vancouver Board of Education

School District No. 39

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Thursday, May 13, 2010

Hon. Dr. Margaret MacDiarmid, MLA Minister of Education PO BOX 9045 STN PROV GOVT Victoria, BC V8W 9E2

Dear Dr. MacDiarmid:

I am writing to advise that trustees, at the April 29, 2010 special board meeting of the Vancouver Board of Education, unanimously supported the following motion:

That the Vancouver Board of Education request the Minister of Education to ensure that the report of the Special Advisor to the Vancouver Board of Education is released to the Vancouver Board of Education at the same time the report is provided to the Minister of Education, and subsequently to the public.

We also wish to schedule a meeting with you to review the report's findings and discuss the school district's financial challenges prior to final consideration of the 2010-11 preliminary operating budget, and request your office contact Chona Caparas, administrative coordinator in the Secretary-Treasurers' Office, at 604-713-5080 to schedule the meeting.

We look forward to a productive meeting with you in June.

Sincerely,

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Patti Bacchus Chairperson, Vancouver Board of Education

cc. Steve Cardwell, Superintendent of Schools Brenda Ng, Secretary-Treasurer VBE trustees BC School Trustees' Association

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