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For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life. (Ephesians 2:10) September 12, 2022

Brandi Rai President Alberta School Councils' Association #207, 11010 – 142 Street Edmonton AB T5N 2R1

facing the Alberta School Councils' Association (ASCA).

Dear Ms. Rai:

Thank you for your September 2, 2022 letter, and for sharing your insight into the fiscal challenges

Delivered via email: ascapresident@albertaschoolcouncils.ca

On behalf of the Edmonton Catholic School Division (ECSD) Board of Trustees and Administration, I would like to commend the ASCA Board and Administration for the tireless work they do to support school councils across the province in spite of reduced funding. I know that our school councils have greatly benefited from the outstanding resources and services provided by the Association.

The commitment of your Board in ensuring the Association remains a viable resource for school councils in Alberta is to be applauded. The ECSD Board remains committed to supporting ASCA and will continue to promote its agenda and encourage school councils to become ASCA members. As per your request, we will also encourage our school councils to direct the funds they receive from the ASCE grant to your organization through registration ASCA sponsored workshops.

Regarding your request for direct sponsorship, the Board already assists our school councils by covering the cost of ASCA memberships for any ECSD school council interested in this opportunity. In addition, the Board supports seven registrations per year for ECSD school council members to attend the provincial School Councils Conference and Annual General Meeting.

We appreciate the ASCA Board's commitment to remaining relevant, sustainable, autonomous, and innovative in the sphere of education. We are confident that ASCA will weather this storm and emerge stronger than ever. We wish you and your Board the very best through this challenging time.

Sincerely,

Agodra Calazzo

Sandra Palazzo Board Chair

c.c. Robert Martin, Chief Superintendent, Edmonton Catholic School Division

