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From: Tegart.MLA, Jackie [Jackie.Tegart.MLA@leg.bc.ca]
Sent: Friday, December 6, 2013 3:28 PM
To: Robson, William AVED:EX
Subject: FW: Policy in Post Secondary Education - my concerns and issues as a student loan borrower

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Hello Will,
The letter from our constituent is below.

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From:
Sent: December 4, 2013 10:41 PM
To: Tegart.MLA, Jackie
Subject: Fw: Policy in Post Secondary Education - my concerns and issues as a student loan borrower

December 4, 2013

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RE: Post-Secondary Education

To whom it may concern,
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My question to you, as a post-secondary student in this Province where can I go to get help in this matter? Who is the contact on the federal level that can address this and at least consider my situation and request? I am long since frustrated and disappointed in the system of student aid in this Province and where it has gone. I have faithfully been honest, made payments when necessary only to be place in a situation where policy, and a calculation dictates the opportunity my education. It is hard to advocate for such programs as student loans an educator.

Please, provide me with contact to have this situation address. Perhaps it is time to consider part-time students, or graduate students who are in situations such as mine and have them have the opportunity to access a repayment program of some sort, especially in situation where they are not asking for more money to pay back. I find it interesting that a person can go to a car dealership, get zero interest on a new vehicle, pay low payments for 72 months and a situation such as this cannot be devised by our government.

Sincerely,

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Sent from Windows Mail

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From: Virk.MLA, Amrik [Amrik.Virk.MLA@leg.bc.ca]
Sent: Thursday, December 5, 2013 12:38 PM
To: Krzymowski, Sarah AVED:EX
Cc: Robson, William AVED:EX
Subject: FW: Policy in Post Secondary Education - my concerns and issues as a student loan borrower

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Hi Sarah,

Here is the letter that we spoke about on the phone. I think it can be considered Ministry correspondence.

All the best.

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Respectfully,

Jared Penland

Constituency Assistant to
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From:
Sent: December 4, 2013 10:40 PM
To: Virk.MLA, Amrik
Subject: Fw: Policy in Post Secondary Education - my concerns and issues as a student loan borrower

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RE: Post-Secondary Education

To whom it may concern,

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From: Robson, William AVED:EX
Sent: Monday, December 16, 2013 12:01 PM
To: Strongitharm, Sheryl L LASS:EX
Subject: RE: Trinity Western University – Law School Proposal

Hi Sheryl,

This is not an official statement, but this is where the Law Degree is currently at as of this morning.

As part of the approval process, Trinity Western University's proposed law degree has undergone a two-stage assessment review. This includes a review by Federation of Law Societies of Canada as to whether the degree would be considered sufficient to enable graduates to be admitted to the bar and practice law as well as a program quality assessment by the Degree Quality Assessment Board.

With the preliminary approval of the Federation of Law Societies of Canada and the review by the Degree Quality Assessment Board on the quality of the program, the Ministry will now review the proposed degree.

Once the review process is complete, a final determination can be made.

From: Strongitharm, Sheryl [mailto:Sheryl.Strongitharm@leg.bc.ca]
Sent: December-12-13 2:10 PM
To: Robson, William AVED:EX
Subject: FW: Trinity Western University – Law School Proposal

Hi Will;

Do you have anything on this yet?

Thank you

Sheryl Strongitharm

Sheryl Strongitharm, CA
For Rich Coleman, MLA
For Fort Langley-Aldergrove
#130-7888 200 St.
Langley, B.C. V2Y 3J4
Phone 604-882-3151

From: Coleman.MLA, Rich
Sent: December 6, 2013 2:15 PM
To: Robson, William AVED:EX
Subject: FW: Trinity Western University – Law School Proposal

Dear Will;

Can you please put into writing confirmation of the Law School at Trinity Western University will be going through as they are suggesting?

This would only be to Rich in writing for his confirmation.

Thank you

Sheryl Strongitharm

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From: Bob Kuhn [<mailto:bkuhn@kuhnco.net>]
Sent: December 2, 2013 12:22 AM
To: Coleman.MLA, Rich
Subject: RE: Trinity Western University – Law School Proposal

Please pass along my thanks to the Deputy Premier for his assistance throughout. I truly appreciate men and women of principle that do not bow to the weight of local interest groups. Unfortunately, recent months have been a frustrating experience resulting in costly delays. I would've hoped for better response from Minister Virk, reflecting the long and cordial relationship we have enjoyed with your government. However, we will celebrate the news, once it becomes public, and put this chapter behind us in the hopes that future relations will improve.

Thanks again for your interest and willingness to assist.

Bob

From: Coleman.MLA, Rich [<mailto:Rich.Coleman.MLA@leg.bc.ca>]
Sent: Thursday, November 28, 2013 8:32 PM
To: Bob Kuhn
Subject: RE: Trinity Western University – Law School Proposal

That's wonderful news.

Rich has spoken with Minister Virk regarding this issue on several occasions.

Yours sincerely

Sheryl Strongitharm

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From: Bob Kuhn [<mailto:bkuhn@kuhnco.net>]
Sent: November 28, 2013 3:30 PM
To: Coleman.MLA, Rich
Subject: RE: Trinity Western University – Law School Proposal

Deputy Premier;

Her request further information comes at an ideal time. Discussions took place yesterday between our office and that of the Federation of Law Societies regarding its approval of our Law School proposal. It is anticipated that an announcement will be forthcoming in the first two weeks of January, 2014. Further, we had a telephone conversation with Minister Virk, who confirmed that his decision would be communicated very quickly after receipt of the Federation decision.

We are satisfied with these responses and thank you for your ready assistance in the past in respect to these matters.

Yours truly,

Bob Kuhn

From: Coleman.MLA, Rich [<mailto:Rich.Coleman.MLA@leg.bc.ca>]
Sent: Wednesday, November 27, 2013 4:50 PM
To: Bob Kuhn
Subject: RE: Trinity Western University – Law School Proposal

Dear Mr. Kuhn;

Can you please advise me of the status of this proposal?

Thank you

Sheryl Strongitharm
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From: Bob Kuhn [<mailto:bkuhn@kuhnco.net>]
Sent: November 10, 2013 3:59 PM
To: Coleman.MLA, Rich
Subject: Trinity Western University – Law School Proposal

Minister Coleman;

I had been hoping to speak with you on Thursday evening at the Teresa Wat fundraiser in Richmond. I enjoyed meeting a number of people, including having time to talk with Minister Virk.

I have just now sent to an email to the Minister confirming our conversation, and requesting that a communication of the final decision regarding the TWU law school proposal be made as soon as possible. The following is a paragraph from that email.

"While I fully appreciate your desire to maintain consistency with the Federation, both in approach and conclusion, I would respectfully request your decision in the very near future. As you know, our proposal has been outstanding for approximately 16 months, which required us to maintain a readiness to proceed immediately upon notice being given as to approval. This "state of readiness" has now become a prolonged status, restricting our ability to either proceed with the law school, or move in other directions. In order to maximize our potential to be successful in the startup phase, we would very much appreciate receipt of your approval in the very near term. I do not mean to be presumptuous, but it would be extremely beneficial, both to TWU and its supporting constituencies, to have a conclusion communicated to us by no later than November 21. On that date we are holding our Christmas in the City Gala at the Vancouver Hotel. In attendance will be several hundred of our major business and high net worth supporters. We've also invited a number of our local Liberal MLAs. This might be an ideal opportunity for you, or one of the other ministers (Fassbender, Coleman or Polak) local to the campus area, to make an announcement."

I believe that invitations were sent out to you, Mary and Peter for the Christmas in the City Gala. I think it would be great for our constituency have the law school announcement made at that event, if possible.

If you have any ideas or suggestions, please let me know by calling my cell or sending me an email. My cell number is
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As always, respectfully yours,

Bob

Robert G. Kuhn
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From: Lee.MLA, Richard LASS:EX
Sent: Friday, December 20, 2013 4:01 PM
To: Robson, William AVED:EX; Gill, Manjit AVED:EX
Cc: Begin, Robert G LASS:EX; Facey, Nick AVED:EX; Robson, William AVED:EX; Klepsch, Kadagn LASS:EX
Subject: RE: Last email

It is a hot seat, I know.

From: Robson, William AVED:EX [<mailto:William.Robson@gov.bc.ca>]
Sent: December 20, 2013 3:55 PM
To: Gill, Manjit AVED:EX
Cc: Begin, Robert Gary; Facey, Nick AVED:EX; Lee, Richard; Robson, William AVED:EX; Lee.MLA, Richard; Klepsch, Kadagn
Subject: Re: Last email

I must be missing something... It looks good to me

On 20 Dec 2013 15:53, "Gill, Manjit AVED:EX" <Manjit.Gill@gov.bc.ca> wrote:

Please disregard.

Wrong photo attached. I'm having technical issues opening attachments on my device

Hope it made you at least chuckle

Regards

Manjit

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the TELUS network.

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From: Lee.MLA, Richard LASS:EX
Sent: Tuesday, December 17, 2013 9:51 PM
To: Facey, Nick AVED:EX
Cc: Gill, Manjit AVED:EX; Robson, William AVED:EX
Subject: RE: media avail friday 10:30am PVO

Hi Nick, Yes. I am available. Richard.

From: Facey, Nick AVED:EX [<mailto:Nick.Facey@gov.bc.ca>]
Sent: December 17, 2013 2:35 PM
To: Lee.MLA, Richard
Cc: Gill, Manjit AVED:EX; Robson, William AVED:EX
Subject: media avail friday 10:30am PVO

Hello Richard,

Are you available to join Minister Virk at PVO this Friday for a media availability at 10:30am ?

We'll pre-brief beforehand, I've set aside a meeting room for us to talk in. Announcement will be released simultaneously.

Regards,
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Mr. Richard T. Lee
Parliamentary Secretary for Traditional Chinese Medicine
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Dear Mr. Lee:

Congratulations on your new appointment as Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Advanced Education for Traditional Chinese Medicine.

The February 2013 Speech from the Throne commits that "government will begin work to create the environment for a school of Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM) at a British Columbian post-secondary institution." A School of TCM with international partnerships has the potential to benefit British Columbians by expanding access to preventative, holistic health services and by providing global learning opportunities.

The school of TCM (the School) is to be established at a public post-secondary institution and work is underway to establish the School. It is critical that there be sufficient government support to ensure a high quality and sustainable School.

Under the direction of the Minister of Advanced Education, the Parliamentary Secretary will serve as the Special Advisor to the Program Advisory Committee, will act as the liaison between the Program Advisory Committee and the broader community, and will submit a report to me by May 31, 2014 that identifies specific opportunities and challenges with establishing the School.

The responsibilities for this important role are set out in the attached document. Please sign this letter at your earliest convenience and return the original to my office.

Ministry of
Advanced Education

Office of the
Minister

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Victoria BC V8W 9E2

Location:
Parliament Buildings
Victoria

My office will schedule monthly meetings for you to update me on your progress. I look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

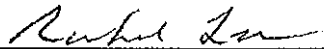


Amrik Virk
Minister

Attachment

pc: The Honourable Christy Clark

I acknowledge the importance and scope of the role of Parliamentary Secretary for Traditional Chinese Medicine and agree to fulfill the responsibilities as set out in the attached document.

Signed:  Date: Dec. 20, 2013