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Memorandum To:

Directors of Education

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Education Partners and Stakeholders

From:

Gabriel F. Sékaly

Assistant Deputy Minister

Date:

October 25, 2013

Subject:

School Board Efficiencies and Modernization Consultations

On September 20, 2013, Minister Sandals wrote to you on the steps that we are taking in developing the school board efficiencies and modernization strategy. I am writing today to advise you that we are now ready to begin formal consultations on the strategy with stakeholder groups. These consultation sessions will begin the week of November 18th in Toronto. Members of my staff will be contacting the various association offices with details on timing, location, and attendance at these sessions.

To help the process along, we have prepared a consultation document for stakeholders. This guide is attached. As you can see, the list of topics and questions covered in the document is by no means exhaustive, but we hope that this short guide will contribute to focusing the discussions. We encourage you to comment on the topics in the guide. We would also welcome any other ideas and suggestions that you might have. Feel free to provide your comments directly to Joshua Paul, Director of the Education Finance Branch, at joshua.paul@ontario.ca, or to us through your respective association.

While we are always interested in discussing school board efficiencies and funding issues, we are hoping to conclude this year's consultation process by the end of November, 2013.

Original signed by

Gabriel F. Sékaly Assistant Deputy Minister

c: The Honourable Liz Sandals

Minister of Education

George Zegarac Deputy Minister

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