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Paul R. LePage
GOVERNOR

August 5, 2016

Dr. William Beardsley
Department of Education
23 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Dr. Beardsley,

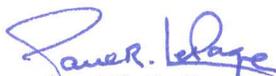
I understand that the Commission to Reform Public Education Funding and Improve Student Performance in Maine will meet later this month. While it may be difficult for the Commission to reach consensus on issues that will significantly impact public education in Maine, I remain hopeful that the members of the Commission possess the leadership, representative characteristics and commitment needed to succeed and uncover "grand bargains" that will improve our education system for the benefit of Maine students.

In pursuit of these solutions, I would like you to serve as my designee to the Commission. Although demands on my time will not allow me to participate fully as a member of the Commission, you are well suited to serve in my place. I have full confidence in your leadership of the Department of Education and your grasp of my priorities and passion for Maine public education.

In order to serve as my designee on the Commission, you will be required to vacate your current seat representing the Department of Education. To fill the departmental seat, please provide me with the name of the individual from the Department who can best provide leadership and engagement on the Commission.

Thank you for your continued hard work and public service.

Regards,


Paul R. LePage
Governor



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WILLIAM H. BEARDSLEY
DEPUTY COMMISSIONER

August 9, 2016

Hon. Paul R. LePage
Office of the Governor
1 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333-001

Dear Governor LePage,

Thank you for inviting me to serve as your designee to the Commission to Reform Public Education Funding and Improve Student Performance in Maine. The Commission has been charged with an important task, and I am proud to contribute to its work. I am honored by your confidence in me to represent you and the administration. I accept the appointment as your designee and will honor your trust.

In accepting this position on the Commission, I consequently vacate my existing seat as the representative from the Department of Education.

I recommend that you appoint Dr. Robert "Bob" Hasson as the representative to the Commission from the Department. Bob earned his doctorate at Boston College. He is a Maine native, a former Maine superintendent, a respected Department colleague, and is intimately familiar with the public education landscape in Maine and the issues related to school funding, student achievement, teaching and learning. Further, Bob possesses the necessary leadership and organizational skills to serve as the Commission's chair and shepherd the group's work to conclusion in a timely manner.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "William H. Beardsley".

William H. Beardsley
Deputy Commissioner of Education



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Paul R. LePage
GOVERNOR

August 12, 2016

Dr. William Beardsley
Department of Education
23 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Dr. Beardsley:

I am pleased to appoint you to the Commission to Reform Public Education Funding and Improve Student Performance in Maine effective August 19, 2016 as my designee.

Since this group serves in an advisory capacity, you are not required to receive paperwork and take the oath of office from the Secretary of State. We will provide that office with the names and addresses of this group for their files.

On behalf of the people of Maine and myself, thank you for your contribution to our State and your willingness to serve. I am confident in your ability to complete the challenging tasks ahead.

Sincerely,


Paul R. LePage
Governor

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Paul R. LePage
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August 12, 2016

Dr. Robert Hasson
Department of Education
23 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Dr. Hasson:

I am pleased to appoint you to the Commission to Reform Public Education Funding and Improve Student Performance in Maine effective August 19, 2016. With this appointment, you will also serve as the chair for this commission.

Since this group serves in an advisory capacity, you are not required to receive paperwork and take the oath of office from the Secretary of State. We will provide that office with the names and addresses of this group for their files.

On behalf of the people of Maine and myself, thank you for your contribution to our State and your willingness to serve. I am confident in your ability to complete the challenging tasks ahead.

Sincerely,


Paul R. LePage
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