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From: Todd Churchill <toddchurchill@yahoo.ca>
Sent: Sunday, October 18, 2020 11:13 PM
To: Churchill, Todd
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From: Andrew Furey <andrewfurey2020@gmail.com>
Date: July 20, 2020 at 7:41:11 PM NDT
To: Todd Churchill <toddchurchill@yahoo.ca>
Cc: kimberly.churchill@yahoo.ca
Subject: Re: Thank you

Dear Kim and Todd,

Further to my earlier email, I will commit to expand our Steering Committee on the Deaf and Hard of Hearing to include a parent representative.

I think it's important for board positions to be appointed in an open and transparent way. Given your extensive knowledge about the issues faced by your son and other members of the deaf and hard of hearing community, I would welcome and encourage you to apply for that steering committee position.

After our conversation, I was left with no doubt that you have faced significant barriers when attempting to achieve equal access to an education within the public system for your son.

I agree that all people in this province deserve equal opportunity to learn.

Again, thank you for your time and for bringing this issue to my attention.

Regards,

Andrew Furey

On Mon, Jul 20, 2020 at 12:14 PM Todd Churchill <toddchurchill@yahoo.ca> wrote:

Dr. Furey,

At this time, are you committing to having myself and/or my wife Kimberly as the nominated parent representatives on the steering committee for deaf and hard of hearing education? We currently have this public commitment from the other leadership candidate. As discussed, you would not be likely to find parents who are more well versed and educated on the subject matter.

As well, despite our recent in-depth discussion of the issues over the past four years, you make no mention of your intentions to remedy this should you become Premier. Again, we have a general statement to that effect from the other candidate. This omission is disappointing given what we discussed with you in terms of the discrimination that has occurred and continues to occur and the overall lack of leadership and transparency at NLESD with regard to deaf education in general.

We would also expect that your campaign would make a public statement, either a release and/or posting on your website, stating these commitments as the other leadership candidate has.

Kind regards,

Todd and Kimberly Churchill

On Jul 20, 2020, at 11:22 AM, Andrew Furey <andrewfurey2020@gmail.com> wrote:

Dear Kim and Todd,

Thank you so much for inviting me to your home recently to explain the struggles you have faced with your son Carter's access to the province's education system.

As we discussed, if my leadership bid is successful, I will commit to including a parent representative position on our Steering Committee for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing.

Regards,
Andrew Furey