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October 7, 2013

President Shannon and
Burlington City Councilors
City Hall
149 Church Street
Burlington, VT 05401

Re: St. Joseph's School

Dear President Shannon and City Councilors:

Does the Burlington School Board on October 8th have the authority to:
"approve an option to purchase with the Diocese of Burlington in regards to the purchase of St. Joseph's School with the right of first refusal and a deposit of \$20,000 that is fully refundable if the transaction does not come through.?" Please see attached.

The current land transaction has not to be approved by the board of finance, much less the city council. And, with the increased building renovation costs going from \$1.6M to \$2.4M this is a debt transaction. Doesn't that mean it must go before the voters?

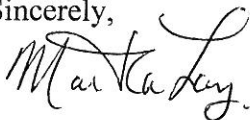
Are you aware that a survey was done by the Burlington School District and 75 percent of the respondents were opposed to the Burlington School Board purchasing St. Joseph's School?

Are you aware that perhaps the nonprofit groups located in St. Joseph's School who serve the low income population in that the area are opposed to the Burlington School District's proposed purchase of St. Joseph's School?

Does anyone know what the Burlington School District plans to use the St. Joseph's School for? I don't, despite my involvement and repeated attempts to find out.

Thank you.

Sincerely,



Martha R. Lang

- B. Infrastructure & Technology Minutes of September 3, 2013
- C. Board Minutes of September 10, 2013
- D. Curriculum Minutes of September 17, 2013
- E. Special Infrastructure & Technology Minutes of September 17, 2013
- F. Diversity & Equity Minutes of September 24, 2013
- G. Finance Minutes of September 24, 2013
- H. Curriculum Minutes of September 25, 2013
- I. Policy Advocacy Minutes of September 26, 2013
- J. Infrastructure & Technology Minutes of October 1, 2013
- K. Planning Minutes of October 1, 2013

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8. Planning Committee

- A. Motion to allow Jessica Ferber the rights to use the Robert Campbell photos for publishing in her book with the agreement she will return the photos to the District after this use.
- B. Recommended Program Priorities for FY'15 Budget
- C. Redistricting Discussion

9. Finance Committee

- A. Recommended Priority for FY'15 Budget
- B. FY'14 End of Year Report

10. Policy/Advocacy Committee

11. Infrastructure & Technology Committee

- A. Motion to approve an option to purchase with the Diocese of Burlington in regards to the purchase of St. Joseph's School with a right of first refusal and a deposit of \$20,000 that is fully refundable if the transaction does not come through.
- B. Motion to approve move forward with the planning and design process for the redevelopment of Burlington High School as a budget priority of ITC.
- C. Motion to rent the Murray Street property for the current school year as we look into options for use and zoning allowance
- D. Motion to amend the Champlain License Agreement to include specific dates for years already approved

12. Curriculum Committee

13. Diversity & Equity Committee

- A. Reminder to schedule the twice a year diversity and equity training for the Board/Administrators

14. Consider Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter, where premature disclosure could place the School District at a substantial disadvantage

15. Adjournment
