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## VICTORIA HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

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Kim Morris, Secretary Treasurer/CFO  
School District 61,  
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Dear Kim,

Following Monday's meetings by you and school district staff with Ian McKinnon and Roger Skillings, I want to convey to you formally the position of the Vic High Alumni Association as it relates to the outdoor sports and recreation facilities that are being considered by the school district.

The Alumni Association has raised approximately \$166,000 itself and has encouraged other funding partners to add to those sums to the end of creating improved outdoor sports fields and related facilities. Although we had the support of a number of sports facility design professionals to provide initial plans as part of the early community consultation process, we always recognized that the final decisions related to what was needed and how best to design the project rested finally with the school and the school district. Recently, we have spoken informally with some of the individuals who had given particularly large sums to confirm that they are content to see their donations used for outdoor sports facilities that serve those general purposes, even if they varied from the initial vision. They concurred that their intent had been to improve the field and related facilities for the students and the community.

Through the fundraising process, we have kept the alumni informed of our efforts through emails, our FaceBook page by direct mail and through reunions. If the district were to announce its plans for the turf field and associated amenities, we would work actively to let alumni know about the details through these various communications mechanisms. You may rest assured that we will support the revised plans as we understand them. Indeed, we will want to share this news as we will claim some of the credit for supporting and funding this outcome.

My apologies that I was unable to attend the meetings and that there was confusion around the number of meetings on Monday. I look forward to meeting with you in the future and if there is anything that the Alumni Association can do to assist in the project please ask.

Sincerely,

Donna Lomas, Chair

Vic High Alumni Association

(Signed copy by mail)

Cc. Aaron Parker, Principal of Victoria High School, School District 61

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