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Mr. H.E. Justesen Superintendent of Educational Programmes (Post-Secondary) Department of Education 535 Yates Street VICTORIA, B.C. VBW 226

Dear Henry:

John Barton's proposal for a School of Woodwork recently passed over your desk and I have been contacted by Dave Anstey. This is a note to express my support for Mr. Barton's Proposal. Over a year ago he came to see me about his ideas and plans. At the time, which was before he moved to the Kootenays, I advised him to prepare his shops in mobile form because of the rural population distribution in the Kootenays. He had shops built on trailer beds at his own expense and can be considered a thoroughly reliable person of some determination.

His work is superb. I have rarely seen woodwork of such high quality and I have reason to believe that he is very capable as a teacher. Because of our confidence in his ability we are in the process of developing a proposal for our College Council that his school become incorporated as a regular part of Selkirk College.

Initially we thought that K.S.A. would be the logical parent for such a school but K.S.A. was not interested. I would advocate that you consider it either an experimental vocational offering or a technical one involving local sharing. I believe that we would even consider 100% local sharing. At any rate, Henry, it is a sound proposal for a unique skill area by a truly master craftsman and it deserves your support.

Best regards,

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Bruce Fraser, Ph.D. Principal

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