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Dear colleague,

This letter is being sent to all members and former members of the Community Schools Alliance. I am writing to give you and the members of your council a brief update on the activities of the Executive Committee of the CSA since our last Annual General Meeting in Ottawa on August 18, 2019.

The executive held eleven meetings either by teleconference or, more recently, by videoconference and addressed a wide range of issues affecting schools in rural Ontario and the North. We also met with Minister of Education Stephen Lecce and/or Parliamentary Assistant Sam Oosterhoff on three occasions.

Because of the pandemic and the decision of the Association of Municipalities of Ontario to hold its annual August 2020 conference virtually, the executive cancelled its 2020 Annual General Meeting and elections. The terms of all eleven executive committee members were extended for one year. It is hoped that we will be able to hold our next annual meeting and elections at the 2021 AMO conference in London on August 15 to 18, 2021.

The executive has also waived membership fees in the Community Schools Alliance for current members for both 2019-2020 and for 2020-2021. Membership for all individuals and municipalities who had paid a membership fee for 2018-2019 is extended to August, 2021 at no cost.

Should you have questions or comments for the Community Schools Alliance, please direct them to us at: communityschoolsallianceoffice@gmail.com

The executive will continue to meet regularly to monitor and review issues that impact our schools in rural Ontario and the North. Thank you for your past support of the Community Schools Alliance.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Doug Reycraft". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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