

January 16, 1998

Mr. Richard Dawson
Chair
Council on Post-Secondary Education
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Dear Mr. Dawson:

Since the creation of the Council on Post-Secondary Education, the community colleges have continued to bring to my attention issues which, in the normal course of business, should now be directed to and dealt with by the Council. This is understandable given that the authority for the colleges is clearly identified in The Colleges Act to belong to the Minister of Education and Training. However, I feel that it would be appropriate for the Council to assume responsibility for the administration of The Colleges Act.

Section 6 of The Colleges Act states: "The minister may delegate to any person or body of persons any of the powers, duties and functions conferred or imposed on the minister under this Act."

Section 11(g) of The Council on Post-Secondary Education Act states that the Council shall "exercise the powers and duties delegated to the council by the minister under section 6 of The Colleges Act."

Therefore, in accordance with section 6 of The Colleges Act, I hereby formally delegate all the powers, duties and functions conferred or imposed on the minister under this Act to the Council on Post-Secondary Education. This will facilitate the operations of the Council in the performance of its duties and provide the colleges with greater clarity as to the locus of authority.

Yours sincerely,

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