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April 16, 2015

Ms. Judy Daubenmier 4490 Lakeshore Court Brighton, MI 48116

Dear Ms. Daubenmier:

This letter is in response to your Freedom of Information request received on March 26, 2015 requesting "any and all documents and emails regarding the partnership office's disposition of any and all requests for authorization of charter schools by either the American Classical Academy and/or the American Christian Academy and the reasons for the partnership office's decisions on such requests. It also includes, but is not limited to, any documents and emails involving Pasquale Battaglia, John Berry, Brighton Holdings LLC, and others associated with the academies."

The information attached constitutes all of the records responsive to your request that are in the possession of SVSU.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

John A. Decker

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Fwd: Classical Charters

From: Craig Douglas <cdouglas@svsu.edu>

Wed, Apr 01, 2015 03:08 PM

Subject: Fwd: Classical Charters

To: Dawn Gillespie <drg@svsu.edu>

---- Forwarded Message -----

From: "Pasquale Battaglia" <Pjb8966@comcast.net>

To: cdouglas@svsu.edu

Sent: Monday, February 9, 2015 8:49:50 AM

Subject: Classical Charters

Dear Dr. Douglas,

As I have previously expressed, I am not an educator. I am blessed to know many, many excellent educators who have lent me their expertise, knowledge and blessed me with their friendship. As a father and grandfather I endeavor to provide for my children and my children's, children. I can give them no greater gift than to offer them access to the tools to learn under the tutelage of classical educators. And if for my children, why should we not make this gift available to all children whose families wish to partake of it for the tax dollars that they already expend.

What we are proposing is "the" education model that was the binding mortar of the foundations of our American republic. We know that we could very well open private and fill every available seat. To keep this option exclusive only to families who can afford it would be an injustice and in direct opposition to our mission to help train up American Citizen Patriots. We know full well that our students will exceed all metrics and offer an exemplary example of the educational academic program that helped to make American education the "Gold Standard" of the world.

We will be holding an open house for our supporters at the Lindbom facility on February 28 from 1-3PM. We fully expect 3-400 families who wish to bring to bear any influence possible to obtain this educational choice. I cannot believe, especially after meeting members of our team and knowing what we are proposing, that you believe that we could possibly fail. We have seven more teams in training in MI alone. Charlotte, NC; Grand Junction, CO; Miami, FL Indianapolis, IN are all in process. This will happen. Understanding who a person is, is a large part of how I make my lively hood. I believe sir that you personally are a good fit for a partnership with our

folk. It might be worthy of a trip by you and your folk on the 28th. Other than that, If you would like to discuss this in an informal format I would be happy to break bread with you over a conversation, (I find I can get quite a bit accomplished over a meal. it's part of my heritageJ).

Sir, before we are put into a box let us not see if we can't, together show a path back to a better way. A proven way with 2,500 years of refinement throughout the history of Western Civilization. Please see the attached article. There are many more facts available to shore up these assertions.

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My sincerest regards,

"The true path to the restoration and future of our blessed republic runs right through the halls of our schools."

Pasquale J. Battaglia, (Pat)

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