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**Date:** 7/22/2013 10:00 am  
**Subject:** Barrett School

Hi Sharon,

I have continued to work on this and have just unearthed a slight complication.

Under legislation, the closure of a school must be gazetted for six months in advance. The QTU may wish to play on this. I am sure we can work this through as in reality if the gazetting occurs in late August, it may mean the school needs to continue til late Feb next year. Given there will be no students at the school after Dec, and it is our intention to relocate the staff in total to another site as part of the transition of students I am sure we can manage this.

Hope all goes well from your perspective.

Peter

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Subject: confidential brief re BAC

Peter,

my apologies it has taken 24 hours to send you this document. I have included in this email, Dr Leanne Geppert, my Director of Strategy who has been working with me on the BAC strategy.

I was thinking about what it was that would be best for you to commence your process up line. I have attached the brief that we sent this afternoon to the Mental Health Commissioner as a starting point.

As we discussed our overview was more related to the BAC health component but recognise the education component is intrinsically linked.

our media and communications director is currently preparing media etc and on our current thinking it might be announced late next week, but that will require for you and your department to be happy and ready as well. As you are aware it is the health estimates on Wednesday next week, so there is a level of concern that it may be inadvertently announced or assumed in the process of questioning so we are also aiming to be prepared.

I received today an email from the Queensland Teachers Union seeking an update, so I assume that there is a level of anticipation already that a decision is imminent. Our response to them will be as it is to all others who have asked over the previous months that a decision will be made and advised as soon as it is available.

can I propose that we have a 15 minute phone link either tomorrow or Monday to discuss advancing the briefing and any further detail you may require?

Regards  
Sharon

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