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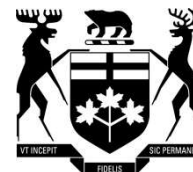
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Diana Miles  
Chair of Council  
Ontario College of Teachers

Chantal Bélisle  
Interim Registrar and Chief Executive Officer  
Ontario College of Teachers

Dear Ms. Miles and Ms. Bélisle,

Thank you very much for your letter of August 10, 2022, inviting me to address the governing Council of the Ontario College of Teachers at its meeting on December 8, 2022.

I unfortunately am unable to attend the Council meeting on December 8, 2022, due to unavoidable scheduling conflicts. This is especially disappointing as I was looking forward to meeting members of the College's first governing Council in its newly modernized governance structure.

I want to thank you and your Council for contributing your extensive expertise and experience to the work of regulating Ontario's teaching profession in the public interest.

In less than a year, your Council, working with College committees and staff, has established and implemented all necessary corporate policies and bylaws to enable an effective, well-functioning regulatory College. The Ontario education system and the public it serves can have confidence in your ability to ensure the highest professional standards for Ontario's teachers.

I look forward to our continued collaboration on initiatives underway to further increase and strengthen a steady supply of highly qualified teachers for our schools.

Thank you again for your invitation and I hope to be able to meet your Council at a Council meeting in the near future.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "S. Lecce".

Hon. Stephen Lecce  
Minister of Education