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Mrs. Janet D. Allison, Director
New England Association of Schools and Colleges Inc.
Commission on Public Secondary Schools
209 Burlington Road
Bedford, Massachusetts 01730-1433

Dear Mrs. Allison:

The below list of Substantive Changes are reported in accordance with the New England Association of Schools and Colleges Substantive Change Policy:

Decrease in State Subsidy Funding from 2009-2010 to 2010-2011 district wide was \$663,434, resulting in 20 positions district wide being cut. Ten of the cut positions were regular education teachers, two Guidance Counselors, one Social Worker, one Special Education Teacher, one Librarian, three Visual & Performance Art/Foreign Language teachers, one maintenance person, and one Education Technician.

Of the 20 district positions that were cut 9.16 positions came from Lisbon High School.

- 7.5 (of 31 = 24%) regular education teachers
 - 1 English Language Arts Teacher
 - 1 Social Studies Teacher
 - 1 Mathematics Teacher
 - 1 Science Teacher
 - 2 Wellness/Living Skills Teachers
 - .5 Spanish Teacher
 - .5 French Teacher
 - .5 Industrial Arts Teacher
- .5 (of 2 = 25%) Guidance Counselors
- .5 (of .5 = 100%) Social Worker
- .66 (of 1 = 66%) Librarian.

One Librarian will cover all three schools in the district with an Education Technician III assigned to each school to run the daily operations of the school library.

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The high school started the school year with one and a half (1.5) Guidance Counselors. The half-time Guidance Counselor was shared with the middle school. Recently received federal stimulus funding has allowed the school district to hire one additional full-time Guidance Counselor. The high school will have two full-time Guidance Counselors for the remainder of the school year.

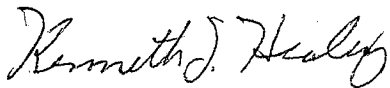
The loss of teaching staff has significantly increased class sizes and has reduced elective offerings in all content areas, thus necessitating a reduction in the overall credits required for graduation. Graduation requirements were reduced from 24 credits to 20 credits. Additionally, Lisbon High School's Senior Exhibition was eliminated as a graduation requirement.

A locally funded renovation project to the Lisbon High School facility started on June 9, 2010 and was recently completed. The improvements to the Lisbon High School facilities are as follows:

- Portable classrooms permanently removed
- New windows, insulation and siding for 100 & 200 wings
- New insulated gymnasium roof
- New handicap accessible main entrance
- New electronic entry access to the entire school
- Moved the school's Main Office to the bottom floor
- Moved the Guidance Office to the old Main Office
- Moved the Teachers Lounge to the old Main Office
- Moved the art classroom from under the gymnasium to room #104

The old Lisbon High School has a new look. I'm happy to report that with these significant facility improvements the students, faculty and community have a rekindled sense of Greyhound Pride. If you have any questions about this Substantive Change letter please do not hesitate to contact Lisbon High School via email khealey@lisbonschoolsme.org or call (207) 353-3030 extension number 2005.

Sincerely,



Kenneth J. Healey
Principal

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Chair, Follow-up Committee

Cc: Mr. Richard A. Green, Superintendent, Lisbon School Department
Ms Prudence Grant, Chair, Lisbon School Committee