

Dear Chair Kennedy

I have been invited as part of a cultural group to visit XZhou in China. I will be leaving on the 28th of January.

I was asked by the agent of the sponsor to accompany the delegation based upon my public service as a past city councilor and current school board trustee.

I thought if asked by various Town Mayors what my current duties are, I would say, "an elected school official for the Catholic Board in Toronto".

I would then use the opportunity to indicate that a number of Chinese Students are in our system and we would welcome any inquiries if anyone would like to explore educational possibilities with us.

I believe why not use the opportunity if it comes up?

There appears to be some misconceptions of my somehow over stepping some boundaries. That is not the case but making contacts is not an evil undertaking.

I would ask that Trustees endorse my efforts should the occasion arise.