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Cc:	Gene Freeman; Georgia Harvey; Don Sims; Taletha Clark; Kristy Coats; Ronald V. Lunsford; James Carter; Jackie McHargue
Subject:	Follow up FY 22 Lottery Request for Design Fees for APS Critical Renovation
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Chairman Newman and Ms. Pinder,

Greetings to both of you. This is a follow-up email to the May 26th email in which ACS requested and received approval to expend $3.8 million on critical renovations to the Asheville Primary/Preschool campus through the NCDPI Capital Lottery Fund. That request covered the construction cost of the project itself. When Georgia Harvey and I called Dennis Hilton with DPI Capital Lottery Division, he encouraged us to apply for design/engineering fees in a separate ask for the project. He said that once we gain approval for the design/engineering request he would be able to upfront us money to start the design phase right away. I have completed an RFQ for architectural firms which will expire the first week of July. Just like the last request, Brownie, we will need your signature first if indeed you choose to grant the request. If you approve, send the signed copy back to me. If I could get it back before the June 21st board meeting, then James Carter could sign off as well. I think our hope at that meeting was to give a little more insight into the planning phases of this project over the next 1-2 years.

An additional request would be to have this project co-managed by both the district and Buncombe County Government. Therefore, we are requesting that Ronnie Lunsford be permitted to help manage the project along with Don Sims, ACS Director of Maintenance/Facilities and Tim Holcombe, ACS Assistant Director - Capital Construction. Ronnie's expertise in these types of projects will be invaluable as well as the fact that he is working with us on School Capital Fund projects at Asheville HS, Montford North Star, and Lucy S. Herring Elementary.

Again, we appreciate the county's support in addressing the issues at APS and look forward to getting this project started.

I am attaching the Lottery Request Application for the Design Fees (based on similar size projects) and the Proposed RFQ.

Thanks,

Shane Cassida

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