Questions Regarding Day Care Donation

- 1. With the understanding that the day care is a valuable asset to the community of Ravenna, is Good Samaritan considering offering the property to any other public entity as a charitable donation, in the event the school does not accept this generous gift? At this time, no additional non-profit/qualifying groups have come forward as possible recipients.
- 2. How quickly does the board of education need to decide whether or not to accept the donation of the daycare? What is the absolute last date the board can make the decision by? Due to the holidays, some of our leadership who normally would be able to answer these questions are out of the office. If you could tell us what you think the timeframe might be for your decision-making, we can reflect on that and get back to you.
- 3. In the event that the school does accept ownership of the property, will Good Samaritan continue to operate the day care until the school district officially takes ownership, with the understanding that it may not be until the next budget cycle that would commence in September of 2017? We will discuss this with the regional vice president and get back to you.
- 4. If the school chooses to continue to operate the school as a daycare, will Good Samaritan continue to operate the facility until such time as the school can get the appropriate license, insurance, and staff in place to do so, with the understanding that this could take several months to put all of these items in place? It would be the hope that Good Samaritan would be able to transfer an on-going operation, so our goal would be to be able to continue operations until the school district is able to assume them. However, a better understanding of your timeframe and more conversation with the regional vice president and local administrator would need to occur to determine if this is indeed a workable option.
- 5. Has sufficiently staffing the day care been an issue for your organization? We will need to ask the local administrator and get back to you on this. At present, the administrator said the childcare staffing has been stable and they have been able to hire quality employees when they have had openings.
- 6. Is the expectation of Good Samaritan that if the school district accepts the donation that the school would be required to use the property exclusively for the purpose of continuing to run a day care within the community or could the property be immediately re-purposed for any use the school district sees fit, once ownership of the property was transferred from Good Samaritan to the Ravenna Public School District? The current goal is to continue childcare operations and transfer an active business. However, if that is not possible, other options would need to be considered. At this point in time, a sale or donation of just the building has not been discussed by Good Samaritan leadership.
- 7. If the school chooses to continue to operate the property as a daycare, would the expectation be that the school retain the existing day care staff? That particular topic hasn't been discussed in detail. If the school district were to accept this business, it would be the hope of Good

Samaritan that consideration would be given to hiring current staff, but it would ultimately be the decision of the school district.

- 8. Would Good Samaritan offer a transition plan or transition aide to the school, if the school district chooses to take acquisition of the property and operate it as a day care? It would be the goal of Good Samaritan to assist in making the transition a smooth one. If most of the existing staff are hired by the school, they would also have the expertise needed to guide the school district on the operations after the transition has taken place.
- 9. What are the primary reasons that the day care "...no longer fits into the business model..." of Good Samaritan? Good Samaritan's primary mission is service to seniors, and the corporate infrastructure is set up for those purposes. Therefore, the resources available to local centers is most closely aligned with senior care, rather than child care.
- 10. What have been the greatest challenges associated with operating a day care in Ravenna? We will discuss this with the regional vice president and get back to you.
- 11. What have been the greatest strengths associated with operating a day care in Ravenna? We will discuss this with the regional vice president and get back to you.
- 12. What advice would you give regarding the management of the day care in Ravenna? We will discuss this with the regional vice president and get back to you.
- 13. Would all closing costs, inspections, and fees associated with the transfer of property be absorbed by Good Samaritan or would that be the financial responsibility of the school district? More discussion would need to take place with our leadership to be able to get you an answer on this.
- 14. What is the name and number of our primary contact for any more questions the board might generate while contemplating this important decision? We need to have more discussion on this and will get back to you after our meeting on Jan. 5.
- 15. Are there any past, pending, or potential lawsuits associated with the property? We will discuss this with the regional vice president and get back to you.
- 16. Are the current employees aware of the fact that you are considering transferring ownership? Yes, information was provided to staff and families in July 2016.
- 17. What are the greatest qualities, skills, or resources needed in order to effectively operate a day care in Ravenna? We will discuss this with the regional vice president and get back to you.
- 18. Are there any necessary large capital improvements that need to be made to the property to ensure it will meet all life, health, and safety codes associated with the operation of a day care? We will discuss this with the regional vice president and get back to you. The administrator said the building is currently in compliance with childcare requirements with no known capital needs.

- 19. If the school district would choose to take possession of the day care property, would the school district have total discretion regarding when to dispose of the property? More discussion would need to take place with our leadership to be able to get you an answer on this.
- 20. In addition to the financial information pertaining to the operation of the day care provided to Ravenna Public Schools, would Good Samaritan be willing to allow for conversations between the superintendent of schools, the managing fiscal agent of the day care, and the day care director for the purpose of gaining a greater understanding of the strengths and weaknesses of the current day care operation? We will discuss this with the regional vice president and get back to you.