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To Whom It May Concern:

Each semester the Education Undergraduate Society hosts a variety of Professional Development seminars for the Faculty of Education students. Thanks to our invaluable speakers, these seminars offer meaningful learning opportunities for aspiring educators. This letter is written to acknowledge Hannah Stonjeck, who attended the following seminars during the Spring 2020 semester:

“Creating Reading Culture in the Classroom” was presented on January 28, 2020, by Rhona Harkness. Rhona is an instructor for the Faculty Education, who is best known for her amazing taste in books. In this session, she shared hundreds of titles that will capture young readers, as well as providing fantastic ideas for how to use them in a classroom. This session was creative, inspiring, and full of useful teaching strategies for all ages.

“Supporting English Language Learners Through Vocabulary Development” was presented on February 24, 2020, by Dr. Greg Ogilvie. In this session, Dr. Ogilvie presented information on language development and the complications that arise with supporting ELL students. He discussed how their limited vocabularies contribute to their learning difficulties and provided resources and strategies for strengthening their word retention.

“Callysto in the Classroom” was presented on February 25, 2020, by PSII students: Raeesa Shivji, Kaisa Roggeveen, Joyce Huynh, Rebecca Lindquist, Ashley Berreth, and Ethan Pullan. In our first student-led professional development seminar of the academic year, this session introduced participants to an excellent online resource called Callysto. In this hands-on seminar, participants were able to learn how to utilize this interactive tool to introduce computational thinking and coding into the classroom.

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