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To: "[Sandeep Verma](#)"; [Celia Kent](#); [Acton 2020 Committee](#); [Jim Purdy](#)
Subject: Great idea, Sandeep. Acton 2020 education idea
Date: Tuesday, April 19, 2011 4:25:37 PM

Great idea, Sandeep, and an original one I have never heard discussed by the Economic Development committee or anyone else for that matter. Start a satellite college campus in Acton!!! The more I think about it, the better it sounds.

As an adder to that idea, my grandson in Worcester is in a high school program that ties in with WPI. He is expecting to take college courses soon at WPI.

I could imagine many parents would love to have kids take freshman college courses while in AB. Imagine finishing one year or more while at home, and thus paying tuition for three years vs four.

There are so many colleges in Mass that at least one should have interest. The old Merriam school is even a possible campus site.

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Subject: RE: draft minutes attached

Cecilia - great minutes - thanks.

I had a couple of thoughts on the proposed scenarios for Acton's future. Don't know if this is appropriate to discuss in an email thread or if it is too late but I am sure someone will let me know.

So if we think of Massachusetts and what it is known for - from the growth and economy perspective - I can broadly think of two categories: education and biotechnology. Software development may be a third option but we may trail the bay area in that arena. Some of our colleges are regarded as the best in the world and the same goes for some of the bio-tech companies. Is there a way for us to attract either a good school to open a satellite campus or provide SOPS for biotech companies to start an office in the vicinity of the Route 2 corridor. We have a well educated population and good schools to offer.

Others may have thought of similar ideas. In any case, let me know what you think.

Best regards,

Sandeep

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