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October 19, 1970

Mr. Hans Froelicher, Jr.
1402 Bolton Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21217

Dear Hans:

Thank you for your thoughtful and moderate letter concerning your second to Chuck Callanan. My face is obviously red, although that is not an unusual hue for an administrator as you well know from years of experience. You are correct that our May letter stated, through an error on my part, September 30 as the closing date for nominations. Later communications, more correct that the first, specified the 15th. Obviously if our list of nominees had not already been mailed to the brethren, I would include your candidate on the roster. Unfortunately that is no longer possible. Therefore, with my sincere apologies for the confusion I will retain his name for inclusion in next year's category. I trust that this will meet with your approval and that your understanding and generous nature will forgive the human frailty involved.

Warmest good wishes to you and my anticipation of seeing you in February at which time I will apologize again in person.

Most cordially,

James Henderson, Jr.
Secretary

JHjr:mfn

Copy to Mr. Meislahn
September 15, 1970.

Dear Harry,

I have just sent the Headmasters Association Data Sheet to Chuck Callanan with the accompanying letter. (Copy enclosed).

I trust you are still minded to propose him.

Don't forget that the deadline for receipt of membership proposals is September.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

HF:mm

Enclosure

Mr. Harry E.P. Meislahn
Albany Academy
Albany, New York 12208
October 15, 1970.

Mr. James Henderson, Jr.
Secretary
Blake School
Hopkins, Minn. 55343

Dear Jim:

This will acknowledge your letter of September 30th, stating that my second to the nomination of Chuck Callanan comes too late.

I refer to your letter of May 1st, 1970, where, just below the middle of the page, you say nominations will officially close on September 30th. According to that, my letter was on time.

With kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

HF:mm

cc: Harry E.P. Meislahn
May 7th, 1970.

Mr. Harry E. P. Meislahn
The Albany Academy
Albany, New York, 12208

Dear Harry:

About Chuck Callanan, I will set out to get you a sort of Who's Who for him. This I can put on a data sheet, the form for which just reached me. All this will come to you in due time.

As you know, Chuck turned to education because the importance of education was underlined in his experience by having to turn in so many directions to try and find an education for his one (out of 5) inadequate child. At about the age of 38 or 39, Chuck entered the MAT course at Johns Hopkins University. When he received his Master's Degree in teaching, he chose a public city high school in which to begin his teaching. This was 99% black. While there he was "discovered" by the Park School through the Department of Education at Johns Hopkins. All of his successful business experience has been, and will be, of great use to a school.

But the kind of person he is is more important still. A cultivated, generous, and completely sincere human being.

Sincerely,

HF:am
September 30, 1970

Mr. Hans Froelicher
1402 Bolton Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21217

Dear Hans:

Thank you for your letter of September 29 regarding your "second" to Harry Meislahn's "proposal" of Chuck (Charles R.) Callanan for membership in the Headmasters Association. The deadline for nominations and seconds was September 15. Therefore, I shall keep your letter on file and consider it as a second for a year from now, unless you wish me to return it to you.

Warmest greetings and best wishes to you for a wonderful year.

Cordially,

James Henderson, Jr.
Secretary
September 15, 1970.

Dear Chuck,

I must get this sheet in in about ten days.

As you know, Harry Meislahn wants very much to propose you for membership and one or two others want to second you. Do not worry about the fact that you do not fit in the classic design of the royal road to eminence in our profession. That will be cared for in Harry's letter or mine. Neither let there be any modesty. Maybe someone with a sense of P.R. ought to write it.

I hope school started well.

At least one of your colleagues is real mad at not being able to help you open up the year.

Sincerely,

HF:mm

Enclosure

cc: Harry E.P. Meislahn
May 1, 1970

Dear Brethren:

If Spring be with us, can Commencement then be far behind? And think of those thousand and one items which need to be accomplished before that magic date!

Relax a little and look ahead to less pressured times:

1) February 11 and 12, 1971 - when we will hold our Annual Gathering at Westchester Country Club. Plan now to be in attendance. The meeting will stress "Positive thoughts - what we're doing right - and what good ideas should be expanded." How about that for a happy thought, as a change from the negative verbiage which you no doubt have been receiving!

2) Honorary members are, once again, strongly urged to attend. Don't let retirement budgets hamper your desires; that's what the Travel Fund is designed to remedy! More details later; for the present, just mark your calendar with an affirmative "X" on those dates.

3) Thirdly, the floor continues to be open for nominations to the Association. It seems unnecessary to remind most of the membership, since your Secretary has already received dozens of enthusiastic letters. Active, associate, and honorary members are eligible to nominate; when we actually vote next fall, only active and associate members may cast a ballot. Membership is of men, not of schools, and a nominee must have served one full year as the headmaster of a secondary school before becoming eligible. Nominations will officially close on September 30. In accordance with a recent vote of the Executive Committee, I am also sending personal reminders to sponsors of last year's unsuccessful candidates in the event that they wish to nominate them again. Enclosed with this letter is a data sheet for those who are to be nominated. If you have several who you wish to suggest, Xerox this sheet or write in for some more. Either method of doubling up is acceptable.

4) Finally, I hope that you will notify the Secretary promptly of any change in your own status as a member, and also of deaths, resignations, or other changes on the part of members of the Association. This is of tremendous importance in keeping our records up to date.

Have a great finish to the school year. Hopefully, within the next week, the formal minutes of last February's meeting will be in the mail to you. That will be a "great finish" for me! Best of everything and warmest personal greetings.

Most cordially,

James Henderson, Jr.
Secretary
May 7th, 1970.

Mr. Harry E. P. Meislahn
The Albany Academy
Albany, New York 12208

Dear Harry:

Thanks for your letter of May 1st.

It was shocking this year to find that Eugene Smith's name was not on the list at Rye. I should be honored to give the memorial for him next February.

Three or four years ago, I wrote an appreciation of Eugene which was read at a luncheon of the Educational Records Bureau. Also at the time of his death, I collected what was written about him in Florida and at Syracuse. Copies of all this I sent to Jim Henderson about a month ago for his files. I, of course, kept copies for myself.

Sincerely yours,

HF:mm
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Sincerely,

HF:mm
May 1, 1970

Mr. Hans Froelicher, Jr.
1402 Bolton Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21217

Dear Hans:

Thanks for your brief letter about nominating Chuck Callanan for membership in the Headmasters'.

I will be very pleased to do this one but we will wait until the call for nominations come in. As I think you will remember, I am on the Executive Committee this year. Would you be willing to second him when the notices come out? And perhaps we should have some information about his activities in Baltimore - when he arrived there, his education there; I have lost track of a bit of that although I may have it in our general records.

I am in charge of the memorials to be given at the next meeting of the Headmasters' and since you have such a fine knowledge of Eugene Randolph Smith, would you be willing to give the memorial for him? As was the case at the last meeting, the Executive Committee is asking that memorials be confined to five minutes or two pages of double spaced typing and we are asking the memorialist to send a copy of the citation to the deceased next of kin if known.

With best regards to you,

Sincerely,

Harry
THE HEADMASTERS ASSOCIATION
DATA SHEET
NOMINATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

Members please note: Every person who nominates an educator for membership
should see that this sheet is completely filled out and is mailed to
the Secretary along with the original letter of nomination.

Name of Candidate: Charles B. Callanan

School Address: The Park School
Old Court Road
Brooklandville, Maryland 21022

Length of time in present position: 14 years
Length of time acquainted with candidate: 5 years

Previous Administrative Experience (with school, title, and dates)
Designed and directed the Johns Hopkins Pilot Program for Inner City

Vice-President, Operations - Callanan Road Improvement Co. - 1950 - 1965

Previous Teaching Experience (with school, position, subject, dates)
Community College of Baltimore (Practice Teaching) - English - 1965
Edmondson High School - Baltimore - English - 1966
Lombard Junior High School - Summer ESEA English - 1966

Schools and Colleges Attended (with dates and degrees)
Princeton University - AB - 1949
Johns Hopkins University - MAT - 1966

Community Activities; other professional memberships.
Board of Trustees - The Valley School
Board of Trustees - T.N.T. (Inner City Scholarship Program)
Mayor's Task Force on Education

State Department of Education Committee to Revise the Maryland Standards
for Secondary School Public Education

Member, NEA, Maryland Association of Teachers of English
Dear Jim,

This is my 2nd "endorsement" to Harry Michael in his "proposal" of Chuck (Charles R.) Callanan (Park School - Baltimore) for membership in The Headmasters' Association.

I have known Chuck for five years now, and take increasing delight in his company and in the work he is doing. As well as any one I know he hears the voices of young people and his listening is to their advantage and, too, to the advantage of the School. It is a way of growth. This is a special quality of his "urbaneity."

Should Chuck come to Preb, he would be a good listener for us, too. And you can be sure that when he speaks it is to ask a "good question" or to talk out of his own thoughtful experience. He is great company and a fine human being.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

21 September 1970
September 25, 1970

Mr. James Henderson Jr., Headmaster
The Blake School
Hopkins, Minnesota 55343

Dear Jim:

If it is in order for a member of the Executive Committee to do so, I should like to nominate for membership in The Headmasters Association, Charles A. Callanan, who since 1967 has been Headmaster of The Park School of Baltimore, in Brooklandville, Maryland.

Mr. Callanan is a graduate of The Albany Academy (1943) and I have known him and his family from the time I came to The Albany Academy in 1943. He first attended Union College on a "V-12" program, and was captain of the football team there during his brief stay. After service in World War II he entered the sophomore class at Princeton, from which he graduated with a fine academic record and was captain of the hockey team (goalie).

For several years he was in musical administration as manager of the symphony orchestra of I believe Birmingham, Alabama, and then entered the family contracting business in the Albany, New York area. He left that to live in Baltimore and took his M.A.T. at Johns Hopkins. He attracted attention for his educational interests and abilities and for his contributions to civic and educational life in Baltimore. In my opinion he would make a very fine addition to our membership.

I shall have a more detailed biography, and shall see to it that the nomination is seconded.

Sincerely yours,
September 25, 1970

Mr. F. Charles Froelicher, Hdmstr.
Colorado Academy
P.O. Box 1177
Englewood, Colorado 80110

Dear Chuck:

    Your father and I have been working on a nomination to The Headmasters Association of Chuck Callanan, as you know presently the Headmaster of The Park School, Baltimore.

    If you know Chuck, I hope you will be willing to write to Jim Henderson, Jr. at The Blake School in Hopkins, Minnesota to second my nomination.

    With best regards,

                      Sincerely,
September 25, 1970

Mr. Hans Froelicher Jr.
1402 Bolton Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21217

Dear Hans:

Enclosed is a copy of my nomination of Chuck Callanan for membership in The Headmasters, and also a note to Chuck Froelicher.

I think it would be very appropriate for you to second the nomination, and I believe Chuck will also.

Sincerely,

[Signature]
Dear Jim,

This is my second to Harry Messelbrin's proposal of Chuck Callanan for membership in the Headmasters Association. I have known Chuck for five years now and take increasing delight in his company and in the work he is doing. As well as anyone I know, he hears the voice of young people and his listening is to their advantage and to the advantage of the School. Too, it is a way of growth. This is a special quality of his urbane, should he come to Pipe he would be a good listener for us too. And you could be sure that when he speaks, it is to ask "a good question," or to talk out of his own thoughtful experiences. He is great company and a fine human being.
November 24, 1970  

Dear Chuck:

I have just read, with great relish, the story of the first 100 years of the Agnes Irwin School in Philadelphia. Anne Lenox sent it to me to bring me up-to-date.

I have just read Jim Bready's review of the recently published history of the local Bryn Mawr School and have entered my order for a copy.

Park School is re-establishing its cutting edge for a better future in education. It is time to publish a chronicle of the school. We will be 60 years old in 1972 and that would be a good target date. Edith Russell might be the one. She writes well and could, I am sure, research well. She is honest and her taste is marvelous. For instance, the only living person who could do justice to the 4 years of John W. Leydon as Headmaster is Jill Fine's mother.

I enclose a clipping of a letter to the editor about drugs in Howard County. I enclose it not because of the reference to drugs, but because of its revelation of the Rouse Company.

I hope you are planning to reprint Herbert Morss' Independent School Magazine article.

Please ask Evelyn Wolman to fill out the enclosed blank without any modesty from you. I would like to send it in to Jim Quinn well ahead of time this year.

Otherwise, give my love to Mary.

Sincerely,

Hf:mm

Enclosures

Mr. Charles R. Callanan
The Park School
Old Court Road
Brooklandville, Md. 21022
November 24, 1970

Dr. Robert L. Lamborn
McDonogh School
McDonogh, Maryland 21208

Dear Bob:

The Country Day School notice of November 11th is here and it says "nominations and secondings left from previous years must be reaffirmed to be considered".

If you are so minded, would you not now renew the nomination of Chuck Callanan. I am renewing my second for him.

Sorry I missed the AIMS meeting among other reasons because I would probably have run into you.

With best wishes, I am, as always,

Sincerely yours,

HP:mm
November 24, 1970

Mr. James H. McC. Quinn, Secretary
The Country Day School Headmasters Assoc.
The Episcopal Academy
City Line and Berwick Road
Philadelphia, Penna. 19131

Dear Jim:

Responding with reasonable promptness to your personable, if impersonable, letter of November 11th, I beg to renew my seconding of the name of Charles R. Callanan of the Park School for membership in the Country Day School Headmasters Association.

I am hoping very much to be with you at Colgate next June. (Unless I am in Stockholm!).

I enjoyed so much last year coming back to Haverford with you and our colleagues.

I am not sure whether I saw you after the Friday luncheon of the ERB meetings. I took the fine turn-out to be a substantial renewal of confidence in ERB. It looks now as though we might live to be innovative and more useful than before. I did tell you and I repeat how grateful I am, for one, for the rescue job.

Sincerely yours,

P.S. Give my regards to Charles. You will probably see him before I will.
November 11, 1970

Dear Fellow Members:

Your Executive Committee met in New York recently to begin planning for the 1971 conference, which will be held at Colgate University, June 22-25. Bud Kast and I will visit Colgate in January to make detailed arrangements for the conference, which, if the committee’s plans can be implemented, should be very interesting to all members.

Although invitations have been received from a number of institutions, no commitment has yet been made for the location of the 1972 conference. For the past few years, the practice has been to hold two consecutive conferences in the East, followed by one in another part of the country. In order to guide the committee in future planning, please return the enclosed questionnaire as soon as possible.

Of immediate importance is the nomination of active members to fill approximately six vacancies in our ranks. The Executive Committee will review all nominations at its meeting on February 10, 1971, and elect new members. Please note that a nominating letter and two seconding letters are required for each candidate and that nominations and secondings left from previous years must be reaffirmed to be considered. The enclosed information form, unless already on file, should be completed and returned to the secretary by the nominator or the nominee himself. All letters and information blanks should be received no later than January 15.

With best wishes to all,

Cordially yours,

James H. McK. Quinn
Secretary
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October 15, 1970

Mr. James Henderson, Jr.
The Blake School
Blake Road
Hopkins, Minnesota 55343

Dear Jim:

I recognize that it appears to be too late to get Chuck Callanan, Headmaster of the Park School in Baltimore, on the list for February 19, 1971, but I want to second his nomination early for '72.

I've had the opportunity to visit with Chuck on four or five occasions, both in Baltimore and even in the mountains here in Colorado. As a result of these conversations, plus all the things I hear from my friends on the Board of Trustees of the Park School, as well as my sister on the faculty of that institution, I can only report to you that Chuck Callanan is probably as fine a man in the school business as there is any place. He is highly intelligent, hard-working, perceptive, sensitive, and totally unafraid of either present problems or new challenges. He has the respect of his faculty, his student body and the community.

More importantly, perhaps, Chuck genuinely enjoys headmastering and looks at it in broad terms rather than approaching it from the day-to-day problem solving standpoint.

In any event, we will probably benefit from Chuck's entrance onto the scene more than he will from associating with the likes of us. Let's get him in.

Best always,

Charles Froelicher
Headmaster

CF: mh
cc: Harry Meislahn
    Hans Froelicher
December 16th, 1970

Dear Jim:

I did appreciate your note of October 19th.

I send you the enclosure in lieu of a Christmas card!!

Sincerely,

Mr. James Henderson, Jr.
The Blake School
Blake Road
Hopkins, Minnesota 55343
Dear Hans:

Thank you for your reminder about Chuck Callanan and The Country Day nomination.

I am glad that you have taken care of the seconding. The nomination has been renewed and all now rests with the selection committee. We will hope it works out so that Chuck will be on hand for this June’s meeting.

I am sorry, too, that you missed the AIMS meeting. I think that you would have been pleased with the evident progress of the organization, and, of course, it would have been wonderful to see you.

Cordially yours,

Robert L. Lamborn
Headmaster

Mr. Hans Froelicher, Jr.
1402 Bolton Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21217

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McDONOOGH SCHOOL
McDonogh, Maryland

December 1, 1970

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