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Dear Panel Members,

As you know Ron Brown has decided to step down from facilitating our work on the panel. In addition, Dr. Clement Price and Tom Reynolds, who agreed to assist in facilitating the panel work through June 9, will also step down from their leadership positions and have agreed to assist in transitioning leadership for future panel work. I want to thank all of them for their willingness to launch the panel in addressing the complex and challenging issues connected to achievement, opportunity and expectation gaps.

I think it has become clear through our email conversations that panel members may want to move forward at our June 9th meeting with ongoing work into 2014-15. With that in mind, I am pleased to announce that panel member Jonathan Simon has agreed to take on the facilitation/leadership role moving forward into next school year.

I will work with Tom, Clem and Jonathan to set an agenda for our upcoming meeting, and will be sure to send it to all panel members at least a few days in advance of the meeting.

Please join me in welcoming Jonathan Simon to his new role!

Sincerely, Penny MacCormack