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Task Force ready to get to work with government facilitator

North Grenville, ON – Now that provincial votes have been counted, the Kemptville College Renewal Task Force is looking forward to putting their plan into action. Several proponents have responded to a formal Request for Expressions of Interest and the Task Force is now ready to take the next steps.

“During the provincial election campaign period, Task Force activities were not on hold,” said Brian Carré, Chair of the Kemptville College Renewal Task Force. “We forged ahead on discussions with interested parties so that we would be ready with a plan after cabinet ministers were sworn-in and the legislature was back at work.”

The Task Force is focused on local solutions for Kemptville College that respond to the needs of the agriculture and agri-food industries along with skilled trades while providing reasonable access to relevant and affordable post-secondary education for the people of Eastern Ontario.

“With the Wynne government re-elected, we welcome the opportunity to start work with the provincially appointed facilitator, the Hon. Lyle Vanclief, as soon as possible,” continued Carré. “We also wish to congratulate Leeds-Grenville MPP Steve Clark on his re-election. Mr. Clark has demonstrated unwavering support for the work of the Task Force and the Kemptville College community. We look forward to working closely with him, the provincial facilitator and the new minister.”

The Task Force will present options for a renewed Kemptville College at a public Town Hall meeting on Wednesday, July 16th at the W.B. George Centre.

About the Task Force

The Kemptville College Renewal Task Force was established following the University of Guelph’s announcement to close the Kemptville Campus. Members of the Task Force include representatives from the Kemptville College Foundation, alumni, agricultural and landscape communities and municipal governments.

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