
BOARD AGENDA ITEM

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Item: Director of Personnel

Submitted by: Dave Rodgers

Date: 7-31-24

Recommended by: Dave Rodgers

Board Meeting Date: August 19, 2024

RECOMMENDATION:

In conjunction with Strategic Plan, Objective 1 of Goal 3, the Board previously approved a new position, Director of Personnel, beginning in the 2024-25 school year. This is non-union professional 260-day Grade 10 position. Danielle Hendry will transition from Director of Human Resources to the same title, now providing two Director(s) of Personnel with each Director serving as the primary Human Resources administrator for designated programs.

It is recommended that the Board approve a contract for Mr. Bryndan Arnold.

BACKGROUND:

Over several months, we have met informally with several applicants. Following those informal conversations, the Leadership Team recently met with two of those candidates. From those interviews there was strong support for Bryndan Arnold. Following an additional interview and reference checking, a conditional offer was extended Mr. Arnold. Mr. Arnold earned a BA in Social Relations and Policy from the MSU James Madison College followed by a Juris Doctorate from MSU Law School in 2020. After working at a Grand Rapids law firm for two years, he went to work for the City of Grand Rapids in the Office of Oversight & Public Accountability. Bryndan impressed our team, including members of the Leadership team with his intellect, passion and experiences. While he will have a learning curve on the education specific aspects of the position, he brings a very strong background in the pertinent areas of law and policy, as well as a strong work ethic.