

**School Board Meeting:**

June 26, 2017

**Subject:**

Appointment of Director of Food Service

**Presenter:**

Gary Kawlewski

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**SUGGESTED SCHOOL BOARD ACTION:**

Recommend appointment of Penny Hoops as the Director of Food Service effective July 1, 2017

**DESCRIPTION:**

On June 5<sup>th</sup>, we began the selection process for the Director of Food Service position. Our selection process is designed to allow the school district to find the best candidate for the position who is also the best fit for the position. It also allows the candidate that same opportunity. We believe that Penny is both the best candidate and the best fit for our district as well as for her.

**Penny Hoops**

Background Information

- Food Service Director for Albany and Cold Spring Rocori School districts, Albany, MN (2011-2017)
- Events Manager, Coyote Moon Grille, St. Cloud, MN (2005-2011)
- Office Manager/Lunch Manager, Outback Steakhouse, St. Cloud, MN (2003-2008)

**Educational Background**

- Associate Degree Hotel Restaurant Management, Alexandria Technical College

What did we hear about Ms. Hoops during the selection process?

- Students are at the core of all of her decisions
- Approachable
- Team player
- Supportive
- High energy
- Calm and doesn't get rattled
- Welcoming
- Experienced
- Innovative
- Creative
- Works with staff to achieve their goals
- Customer service focused
- Greatest joys are seeing staff have success in their growth and seeing students enjoy the food

What did we hear about Ms. Hoops from references?

- High Energy
- Creative

- Innovative
- Easy to work with
- Knowledgeable
- Positive
- Improved their program and their participation
- Mover and a shaker
- President of MN School Food Service Director's group
- Sad that you might be taking her away from us!
- Outstanding!
- One of my top hires!
- One of the most unbelievable people you will ever meet!