

PR: Hudson Public Schools Announce Superintendent Finalists

Working in conjunction with the Massachusetts Association of School Committees, Hudson Public Schools completed an important step in their Superintendent search process. The Hudson School Committee is pleased to announce that 4 finalists have been selected for further consideration to be the next Superintendent of Hudson Public Schools beginning on July 1, 2017. The finalists were selected from a field of 40 applications. A Superintendent Screening Committee consisting of School Administrators, Central Office Staff, Teachers, Parents, Community-at-Large members, Municipal Official, SEPAC Representative, two School Committee members, one Para-Educator, and a member of the Hudson Education Association carefully reviewed the applications and followed up by interviewing several applicants. The four finalists are:

Dr. Laura Chesson, Assistant Superintendent of Arlington Public Schools since 2012. She was the Principal of Maynard High School from 2008-2012 and from 2005-2008 was an Assistant Principal of Leominster High School. She served as an Assessment Coordinator and Teacher in Boston from 2000-2005. Dr. Chesson worked for Hudson Public Schools as a Mathematics Teacher from 1995-1997 and was a teacher in New Mexico from 1993-1995. She started her career as a manager for IBM in NY.

Dr. Brett Kustigian, Superintendent of Quaboag Regional School District in Warren, MA since 2009. Prior to that, he was the High School Principal from 2003-2009, Assistant Principal from 2001-2003, and Athletic Director for Douglas Public Schools from 2003-2004. Dr. Kustigian started his career in 1997 as a Middle School Science Teacher for Tolland Public Schools in CT and later taught Science in the Dudley/Charleton Regional School District from 2000-2001.

Dr. Jahmal Mosley, Assistant Superintended for Curriculum and Administration of Sharon Public Schools since 2014. Dr. Mosley served as Principal for Somerset Berkley Regional High School from 2011-2014. Prior to that, he was Assistant Principal at Brattleboro Union High School in VT and Newton/Middleborough Public Schools from 2002-2011. He started his educational career as a Special Education Teacher in Worcester Public Schools and Cambridge Public Schools from 1998-2002.

Dr. Marco Rodrigues, Chief Academic Officer of Worcester Public Schools. Dr. Rodrigues also served as interim Superintendent for Worcester Public Schools from December 2015-May 2016. He was the former Manager of Special Education and Intervention Services for Worcester Public schools. Prior to that, he was the Executive Director for the Central Massachusetts Special Education Collaborative as well as Director, Assistant Director, Teacher. Dr. Rodrigues is fluent in Portuguese and Spanish.

The School Committee will conduct further research into, and evaluation of, the individual candidates with site visits to their home districts, reference checks and by hosting public interviews of all candidates. The public is invited to attend all meetings or watch them on HUD

TV. When the schedule is finalized it will be posted on the Hudson Public School and town websites. HUDTV can be found on Comcast Channel 8 or Verizon Channel 47

You can view the finalists' resumes online at <https://goo.gl/UPQ55U>

The School Committee will vote to appoint the next Superintendent on Thursday, March 30, 2017.

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