



Memorandum

To: Thomas Arnett, Board Chair
From: J.J. Lewis, Superintendent & CEO
Date: June 7, 2022
RE: **Board of Directors Recruitment, Election**

I wanted to update you on our recruitment efforts ... we have identified two (2) candidates, and have received confirmation from them both that they would like to be considered to join the Board of Directors.

In terms of the process, in following the Board Action Plan which was created at our Board Advance in August 2021 with our thought-partners from Friday, I utilized LinkedIn to promote the opportunity to join our Board of Directors. We received a total of 31 applicants via LinkedIn. I then followed up with those who reside in California (14 applicants) by asking them for a letter of interest which speaks to our 2021-22 strategic priorities (managers, strategic advisors, and advocates) as outlined in the Board Action Plan. I then interviewed each candidate who submitted a letter of interest (five (5) applicants), and narrowed down the list to these two (2) individuals.

Dr. Isaac Olvera is the first candidate, who I believe will support our work in curriculum and instruction, as well as staff voice and greater community connectedness and representation. Dr. William Stinde is the second candidate, who I believe will support our work in finance, as well as greater community connectedness and representation.

If both candidates were approved, this would bring our Board of Directors to seven (7) members. I ask that the Board of Directors elect them at the Annual Meeting, with three (3) year terms (which are renewable) starting on Friday, July 1.

Additionally, we have a transition in the chair position on our Parent Advisory Council. The chair serves as the Parent Representative on the Board of Directors. The new chair of the Parent Advisory Council for the 2022-23 school year is Samantha Herrod. I ask that the Board of Directors confirm her appointment at the Annual Meeting, with a one (1) year term (which is renewable) starting on Friday, July 1.