




TO: The Honorable the Members of the Board of Regents

FROM: MaryEllen Elia

SUBJECT: Appointment of Assistant Commissioner for the Office of Access, Equity & Community Engagement

DATE: February 13, 2018

AUTHORIZATIONS: 

Issue for Decision

Will the Board of Regents approve my appointment of Dr. Anael Alston to the position of Assistant Commissioner for the Office of Access, Equity & Community Engagement?

Reason for Consideration

Dr. Alston will bring to the Assistant Commissioner position extensive knowledge and experience in education leadership. He is currently the Superintendent of Schools for Hamilton Central School District and has served in that role since 2015. He is a skilled educational leader with a proven ability to collaborate with stakeholders, build and lead teams, and innovate. He has secured and effectively implemented competitive grants, spearheaded strategic planning processes, and managed complex budgets and in diverse environments. He will enable the Department to continue to grow critical initiatives like My Brother's Keeper that have given SED a national reputation for promoting educational success for all students. His vast experience as a leader at all levels of Education will be an asset as he serves in this role.

Proposed Handling

The Board of Regents reviewed Dr. Alston's credentials and experience in Executive Session on January 23, 2018.

Recommendation

I recommend that you take the following action:

VOTED, that the Board of Regents approve the appointment of Dr. Anael Alston to the position of Assistant Commissioner for the Office of Access, Equity & Community Engagement.