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TO: The Honorable the Members of the Board of Regents

FROM: John King

SUBJECT: Appointment of Deputy Commissioner for the Office of
P-12 Education

DATE: September 13, 2011

AUTHORIZATIONS:

Issue for Decision

Will the Board of Regents approve my appointment of Kenneth Slentz to the position of Deputy Commissioner for the Office of P-12 Education?

Reason for Consideration

Kenneth Slentz will bring to the Deputy Commissioner position extensive knowledge and experience in the field of P-12 Education with over eighteen years of experience. He is currently the Associate Commissioner for the P-12 Office of Curriculum, Instruction and Field Services and has been instrumental in implementation of the Regents Reform Agenda and in the Race to the Top initiatives. Prior to coming to the Department, Mr. Slentz was Superintendent of Schools for West Canada Valley CSD. He has also served as Superintendent of Schools, K-12 Principal, Curriculum Director and Middle School Teacher for Long Lake CSD. He has demonstrated a strong commitment to P-12 Education and his extensive experience in P-12 Education both at the Department and in the field will be an asset as he serves in this role.

Proposed Handling

The Board of Regents will review Mr. Slentz's credentials and experience in Executive Session on September 13, 2011.

Recommendation

I recommend that you take the following action:

VOTED, that the Board of Regents approve the appointment of Kenneth Slentz to the position of Deputy Commissioner for the Office of P-12 Education effective September 14, 2011.