



TO: The Honorable the Members of the Board of Regents
FROM: Shannon L. Tahoe
SUBJECT: Appointment of Deputy Commissioner for Higher Education
DATE: December 9, 2019
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Issue for Decision

Will the Board of Regents approve my appointment of William Murphy to the position of Deputy Commissioner for Higher Education?

Reason for Consideration

Dr. Murphy will bring to the Deputy Commissioner for Higher Education position nearly 15 years of service in various roles at the State Education Department, most recently as the Director of Professional Education where he led the teams responsible for evaluating higher education programs for professional licensure at public and private colleges and universities in New York State and internationally. In this role, Dr. Murphy has maintained relationships with academic accrediting bodies, federal and state education agencies and all sectors of higher education. Prior to joining the Department, Dr. Murphy held positions at the Borough of Manhattan Community College and the Workforce Development Institute. He earned a Ph.D. from the University at Albany, a master's degree from Baruch College and a bachelor of arts degree from LeMoyne College.

Proposed Handling

This recommendation will come before the full Board of Regents at its Executive Session for discussion at the December 9, 2019 Regents meeting and then come before the full Board for final action December 9, 2019.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Regents approve the appointment of Dr. Murphy to the position of Deputy Commissioner for Higher Education.

Timetable for Implementation

If the Board of Regents approves the recommendation, the appointment will be effective December 9, 2019 and he will start in mid-December 2019.

VOTED, that the Board of Regents approve the appointment of Dr. William Murphy to Deputy Commissioner of Higher Education effective December 9, 2019.