




TO: The Honorable the Members of the Board of Regents

FROM: John King 

SUBJECT: Appointment of Deputy Commissioner for Performance Improvement and Management Services

DATE: June 21, 2011

AUTHORIZATIONS:

Issue for Decision

Will the Board of Regents approve my appointment of Sharon Cates-Williams to the position and title of Deputy Commissioner for Performance Improvement and Management Services?

Reason for Consideration

Sharon Cates-Williams will bring to the State Education Department extensive knowledge and experience in information technology and strategic leadership and management. She has held positions of Deputy Chief Information Officer and Chief Information Officer with the New York State Office for Technology; Chief Information Officer and Commissioner with Suffolk County; Commissioner of the Department of Information Technology with the Town of North Hempstead, and Vice President, Corporate Brand Strategy and Vice President, Global Technology with Lehman Brothers, Inc. This experience will be an asset in providing leadership in developing and implementing performance measures, process and service improvements and data driven policies and in directing offices providing internal management services.

Proposed Handling

The Board of Regents will review Ms. Cates-Williams' credentials and experience in Executive Session on June 21, 2011.

Recommendation

I recommend that you take the following action:

VOTED, that the Board of Regents approve the appointment of Sharon Cates-Williams to the position of Deputy Commissioner for Performance Improvement and Management Services effective July 14, 2011

Attachment