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Michael Davison to be Appointed as Business Administrator/Board Secretary



Livingston, NJ: Livingston Public Schools (LPS) has announced that Mr. Michael Davison has been selected as the next School Business Administrator/Board Secretary for the district. The Board of Education is expected to approve this appointment during tonight's public meeting, which will be held in a hybrid format at 7 p.m.

LPS' current Business Administrator, Steven K. Robinson, announced on September 14, 2021, that he will be retiring effective December 31, 2021, after 23 years of service to the district. While Mr. Davison will be spending some time in the district over the next several weeks, he will officially begin his tenure on January 3, 2022.

Mr. Davison holds a bachelor of science degree in finance from Rutgers University. He earned his Juris Doctor from the Rutgers School of Law in 2004, and is certified as a school business administrator in the State of New Jersey.

In his current position, Mr. Davison serves as the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary for the Morris-Union Jointure Commission (MUJC) in New Providence. In this position, which he has held since July 2012, Mr. Davison has been responsible for his district's budget and financial reporting, purchasing, payroll, and inventory systems. Additional responsibilities of his current role include, but are not limited to, supervising fiscal operations, overseeing all construction projects and capital improvement planning, serving as the official purchasing agent of the board, and overseeing facilities operations/maintenance, transportation and food services.

Prior to joining the MUJC, Mr. Davison served as the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary in both the Denville and Essex Fells Public School Districts.

Mr. Davison volunteers his time as a mentor for new school business administrators and assistant business administrators. To date he has mentored three candidates seeking their standard SBA certification. He is also a Certified Administrator of School Finance and Operations, as designated by Association of School Business Officials (ASBO) International.

Mr. Davison and his wife, Casey, have two daughters, ages 4 and 7. In his personal time, he enjoys spending time with his family and being outdoors, especially during the summer.

LPS Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Matthew J. Block stated, "Livingston Public Schools has been the beneficiary of the outstanding financial stewardship provided by current Business Administrator, Steve Robinson, for the past 23 years. While it was no easy task, we set out to identify an experienced individual for this position who will be able to manage the finances of a high performing district while finding innovative ways to navigate the ever-present challenges schools districts face in providing an exceptional educational experience for our students, staff and community now and in the future. We believe we have found that person in Michael Davison. Everyone we spoke with who knows Michael, talked about his outstanding knowledge of finance, his collaborative nature, his professionalism, and his connection with and dedication to the mission of public schools. After a rigorous interview process, it was clear that Michael was the right person for the job, and I am excited to have him join our team."

"Having the opportunity to serve a public school district like Livingston is a privilege. I've always wanted to work in a school district that is a 'community' and I've found it here," said Mr. Davison, noting that he looks forward to working with all stakeholders. "Public education is always challenging. As we come out of this pandemic, there will be many lessons learned, with some that enable us to be stronger than ever before. I look forward to working with all stakeholders with a goal to ensure Livingston Public Schools are among the best in the State of New Jersey."

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