

To: Board of Education

From: David Cunningham, executive director of human resources/chief legal counsel
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RE: Hiring of New Superintendent

Date: January 29, 2018

Background:

Lawrence Public Schools school board contracted with Ray & Associates to conduct the search for a new superintendent of schools to begin with the 2018-19 school year.

More than 900 individuals were contacted regarding this open position. 60 individuals applied. The team from Ray & Associates presented 11 candidates they believed met the criteria that the board of education set. Of those 11 individuals, 6 were chosen for initial interviews. One individual accepted another position during this process so 5 were interviewed. From these interviews, the board narrowed the field to 2 finalists.

The board conducted second interviews and selected Dr. Anthony Lewis to be the next superintendent.

Motion:

“I move the Board of Education to employ Dr. Anthony Lewis as superintendent of schools effective July 1, 2018 for a period of three years ending June 30, 2021, unless otherwise extended by the board.”