May 23, 2022

5. Employment

Speech Pathologist

It is recommended that the board appoint Stephanie Johnson as Speech Pathologist / ESL teacher. Salary step placement per the Collective Bargaining Agreement is \$75,344. Recommendation letter for hire is attached.

Special Education – High School

It is recommended that the board appoint Rachel Knipe as a Secondary Special Education teacher. Salary step and placement per the Collective Bargaining Agreement is \$60,962. Recommendation letter for hire is attached.

9. District Photographer

It is recommended that the board appoint Albright Studios as district photographer for School Portraits and for Athletics / Special Events. This is a three (3) year agreement for both services at no cost to the district. Recommendation letter is attached.



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Re: Special Education / Mrs. Rachel Knipe

It is the recommendation of the interview committee that the board appoint Mrs. Rachel Knipe to the vacant position of High School Special Education for the 2022-23 school term at a starting salary of \$60,962 which is M+30 Step 6 on the Collective Bargaining Agreement.

Mrs. Knipe brings a wealth of experience to the special education program that will be an asset to the district from day one. Her prior teaching experience includes High School Emotional Support in Philadelphia, High School English in Montoursville, and thirteen years at an international Christian school where she served as both teacher and principal.

Mrs. Knipe is eager to rejoin public education and make South Williamsport her new home.

Respectfully,

Mark Stamm, D.Ed.

Superintendent



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Re: Recommendation for Hire / Mrs. Stephanie Johnson

It is the recommendation of the interview committee that the Board appoint Mrs. Stephanie Johnson as a Speech and Language Pathologist and English Language Learner teacher for the 2022-23 school year at a salary of \$75,344 according to the Collective Bargaining Agreement.

Mrs. Johnson has seventeen-years of experience as a speech therapist at BLAST IU17 and is currently providing ESL services to South students through an IU contract. As a district employee she will be able to fulfill both of these program needs for us. In addition, Mrs. Johnson is willing to secure CLM certification allowing her to provide speech services to South students serviced in IU autistic support classrooms.

Respectfully,

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Superintendent of Schools



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Re: District Photographer for School Portraits and Athletics / Special Events: Albright Studios

It is recommended that the Board appoint Albright Studios as the district photographer for SCHOOL PORTRAITS and for ATHLETIC / SPECIAL EVENTS. This is a three (3) year service agreement at no cost to the district.

Request for Proposals were mailed to regional photographers and advertised in the Sun Gazette. We received four proposals for SCHOOOL PORTRAITS and five proposals for ATHLETICS / SPECIAL EVENTS which included local, regional, and national companies. After carefully reviewing each proposal according to the RFP, it was determined by the administration that Albright Studios would best serve the needs of the school, students, and families.

Albright Studios is a locally owned company that has provided a valued service to the school for many years and I am confident they will continue to do so in the future as well.

Respectfully,

Mark Stamm

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Superintendent