

Special School Board Meeting

Wednesday, April 21, 2021 4:00 PM

Google Hangouts, 130 145th Street East, Rosemount, MN 55068

I. Call to Order - Chair Dr. DeeDee Currier

II. Roll Call - Linda Berg

III. Conduct Pledge of Allegiance - Chair Dr. DeeDee Currier

IV. New Business - Dr. DeeDee Currier

A. Approve moving Mr. Mark Zuzek to the role of Assistant Superintendent and Dr. John M. Christiansen to the role of Acting Superintendent on an as needed basis. Chair Dr. DeeDee Currier.

V. Adjournment - Dr. DeeDee Currier

To: Intermediate School District 917 Board of Education

From: Chair DeeDee Currier

Date: April 16, 2021

Re: Approval of Employment for Dr. John Christiansen

Recommendation: Approve an offer of employment beginning Tuesday, April 27, 2021, to Dr. John Christiansen contingent on his meeting the standards required for a special license under Minnesota Rule 3512.2300, Subdivision 4 (b).

Hours: Flexible. Anticipated : Between 5 – 20 hours /week
Rate: \$115/hour. No benefits.

Name: John Maxwell Christiansen

File Folder No: 367711

Background Following the January announcement of Supt. Mark Zuzek's retirement, Mark experienced a medical challenge. Given the requirements of the Intermediate District 917 superintendent's position, especially at the end of the year during a pandemic, the board desires to stabilize the transition to new leadership as of July 1st.

Dr. John Christiansen served as superintendent to ISD 917 for 12 years prior to Supt. Zuzek. He is familiar with staff, programs, schedules, and buildings. He will be able to flexibly work with Mark to complete the school year, mentor Dr. Favor as he comes on board, interact and connect with member district superintendents and staff, and communicate with our legislators during and after the session.

Because Dr. Christiansen's license has lapsed, the Board needs to make a formal request to the Minnesota Board of School Administrators for the special one time, one year license allowed under Minnesota law. This employment offer contingency will be reviewed at their April 26th meeting. If approved, beginning Tuesday, April 27, 2021, Mr. Zuzek will be moved to the role of Assistant Superintendent and Dr. Christiansen to the role of Acting Superintendent.