

PERSONNEL ITEMS – April 21, 2015

RESIGNATION

Recommend the Board of Education accept, with regret, the following resignations:

Piedad Araizaga-Torres, Dual Language Teacher, Leal School (effective May 28, 2015) Ms. Araizaga-Torres is resigning due to personal reasons.

Jane Cain, Mentor Coordinator, Prairie/Leal Schools (effective September 1, 2015) Ms. Cain is resigning due to personal reasons. The Board originally approve June 5, 2015 on March 17, 2015.

Taylor Cypin, E/BD Teaching Assistant, Gerber School (effective May 28, 2015) Ms. Cypin is resigning due to graduate school.

Tamika Gardner, Asst. Principal, Prairie School (effective June 4, 2015) Ms. Gardner is resigning due to personal reasons.

Angela Grabowski, Speech/Language Pathologist, Prairie School (effective May 28, 2015) Ms. Grabowski is resigning due to personal reasons.

Nicholas Landgendorf, Recreation Leader, Leal School was approved by the Board on March 17, 2015. Mr. Langendorf has failed to complete the hiring process.

Scott Lopeman, Student Relations Supervisor, Urbana High School (effective April 7, 2015) Mr. Lopeman is resigning due to personal reasons.

Margaret Pesavento, Grade 6 Language Arts Teacher, Urbana Middle School (effective May 28, 2015) Ms. Pesavento is resigning due to relocation.

Danielle Salto, ESL/Instructional Coach, Urbana Middle School (effective May 28, 2015) Ms. Salto is resigning due to relocation.

RETIREMENT

Recommend the Board of Education accept the following for retirement:

Cynthia Jameson, Family and Consumer Science Teacher will be retiring under the Teachers Retirement System effective May 28, 2015.

Barbara Sartain, Principal, Wiley School will be retiring under the Teachers Retirement System effective June 4, 2015.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Recommend the Board of Education accept the following request for Leave of Absence:

Zac Dawkins, Staff Development/Technology Specialist is requesting a leave effective April 1st through May 2, 2015.

NEW EMPLOYMENT (Certified Personnel)

Recommend the Board of Education approve employment of the new certified personnel for the 2015-2016 school year:

Kathleen Becker, Dual Language Teacher, Prairie School (grant funded position)
Richard Benson, Grade 8 Science Teacher, Urbana Middle School (replacing J. Hari)
Alyssa Erickson, Grade 6 Language Arts Teacher, Urbana Middle School (replacing V. Dixon)
Forrest Farokhi, Physical Education Teacher, Urbana High School (replacing T. Murray)
Sergio Medina, Physical Education/Health Teacher, Urbana High School (replacing B. Smith)
Heidi Meisner, Classroom Teacher, Urbana Early Childhood School (replacing A. Johnston)
Steven Pavlakis, Math Teacher, Urbana High School (replacing L. Manning)
Gina Pokrass, Math Teacher, Urbana Middle School (replacing K. Brown-Tess)
Katherine Simpson, Grade 7 Math Teacher, Urbana Middle School (replacing C. Jenkins)

CHANGE OF ASSIGNMENT/STATUS

Recommend the Board of Education approve the following re-assignment for the 2015-2016 school year:

Natalee Bretz, Director of Professional Development, Central Office (replacing K. Barbour)
Marcellos Gray, Development and Finance Coordinator, Adult Education (replacing D. Gordon)
Rebecca Kay, K/1 Teacher, Thomas Paine School (replacing A. Thurston)
Brianna Morgan, Library Media Specialist, Thomas Paine School (replacing D. Newell)
Sylvia Ortiz, Head Secretary, Urbana Early Childhood School (replacing J. Vanderberg)
Krista Ruud, Library Media Specialist, Urbana Middle School (returning from leave)

HEAD COACHING/MUSIC ASSIGNMENTS

Recommend the Board of Education approve the following coaching positions for the 2014-2015 school year:

Rebecca Park, Spring Musical Vocal Director, Urbana High School (replacing C. Murphy)