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Hingham's Superintendent Search Narrows as School Committee Moves Dr. Margaret Adams and Dr. Scott Carpenter Forward

Hingham, MA – December 22, 2021 – The Hingham School Committee will move forward with candidates Dr. Margaret Adams of Melrose Public Schools and Dr. Scott Carpenter of Monomoy Regional School District in the next step of the 2021-2022 Superintendent Search. The Superintendent selected will succeed Interim Superintendent Dr. Gary Maestas for the 2022- 2023 school year.

The next step in the process will involve a one-hour, public interview with each of the candidates on Tuesday, January 4th from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM. These meetings will occur on Zoom. The School Committee will deliberate publicly on January 5th in hopes to select a Superintendent. The January 5th meeting will begin at 6:00 PM at Town Hall and be recorded by Harbor Media.

The Superintendent Search Committee began their search in September 2021 with twenty applicants, recently narrowing it down to four. After public interviews and visits to each of Hingham's schools, both Dr. Adams and Dr. Carpenter were moved forward by the School Committee on Monday, December 21, 2021. "Last night we discussed the candidates and feel very fortunate to have four strong choices. Because of the open meeting laws, we each gathered information independently, so last night was the Committee's first opportunity to share our findings to get the clearest possible picture of the candidates. We discussed each candidate and narrowed the search down to Dr. Margaret Adams and Dr. Scott Carpenter. After our discussion, we are confident that either candidate would make a good Superintendent, so it is now our task to determine who will be best for Hingham at this moment, given all of our strengths, challenges, and our vision for the future of the district."

” – Kerry Ni, Hingham School Committee Chair.

Dr. Margaret Adams of Melrose Public Schools has served as Assistant Superintendent for Teaching and Learning since 2013 and prior to that, Director for Curriculum at Melrose from 2012-2013. Dr. Adams has also served as Director of Literacy for Malden Public Schools and Department Head for Bilingual/ESL Services for Brockton Public Schools.

Dr. Scott Carpenter of Monomoy Regional School District, a district involving the Public Schools of Chatham and Harwich, has been Superintendent there since 2013. Previous to this, Dr. Carpenter served as Superintendent/Principal for Lincoln-Sudbury Regional High School from 2009-2013. Also, at Lincoln Sudbury, Dr. Carpenter served as Housemaster as well as Assistant to the Principal.

Zoom Link for Tuesday, January 4th Meeting: Website: <https://zoom.us/join> Meeting ID: 816 6049 2271

About Hingham Public Schools:

The mission of the Hingham Public Schools is to provide challenging and comprehensive educational programs in a safe and supportive environment, enabling all students to develop the knowledge and skills necessary for success as local and global citizens.

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