



Livingston PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Thomas Lambe to be Appointed as Business Administrator/Board Secretary



Livingston, NJ: Livingston Public Schools (LPS) has announced that Mr. Thomas Lambe has been selected as the next School Business Administrator/Board Secretary for the district. The Board of Education is expected to approve this appointment during tomorrow evening's public meeting, which will be held in a hybrid format at 7 p.m. Before the public meeting, an in-person "Meet & Greet" with Mr. Lambe will be held at 6:45 p.m. at the Central Office, 11 Foxcroft Drive. Members of the public are invited to attend.

Mr. Lambe's employment will begin on July 1, 2023.

Mr. Lambe holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Industrial Engineering from Rutgers University, an MBA from NYU Stern School of Business, and an MA in Educational Leadership from NJCU. He is currently pursuing his Ed.D. in Educational Leadership from Manhattanville College.

In his current position, Mr. Lambe serves as the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary for the Ramapo Indian Hills Board of Education in Oakland, NJ. In this position, which he has held since 2021, Mr. Lambe has been responsible for his district's budget and financial reporting, purchasing, payroll, and inventory systems. Additional responsibilities of his current role include, but are not limited to, supervising fiscal operations, overseeing all construction projects and capital improvement planning, serving as the official purchasing agent of the board, and overseeing facilities operations/maintenance, transportation and food services.

Prior to joining Ramapo Indian Hills, Mr. Lambe served as the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary for the Caldwell/West Caldwell Board of Education for six years. He also served as a School Business Administrator/Board Secretary in various other New Jersey districts, including Hopatcong, Ho-Ho-Kus, and High Bridge. Prior to his experience as a School Business Administrator/Board Secretary, Mr. Lambe held teaching roles at both the high school and college levels. Mr. Lambe entered education after starting his career in investment banking.

Mr. Lambe has served in various leadership roles with the Bergen County Association of School Business Officials (BCASBO), New Jersey Association of School Business Officials (NJASBO) and ASBO International, and is a member of New Jersey Association of School Administrators (NJASA) and the Association of Curriculum and Development (ACSD).

Mr. Lambe and his wife, Peggy, have three sons, ages 11 and 9 and 8. In his personal time, he is a volunteer youth football, basketball and lacrosse coach, a volunteer YMCA swim parent, a member and past officer of the Irish American Association of Northwest Jersey, as well as a member of the Rutgers Alumni Association and season ticket holder.

LPS Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Matthew J. Block stated, “Livingston Public Schools has been the beneficiary of outstanding financial stewardship provided by our previous Business Administrators. When we commenced this process, we set out to identify an individual with a wealth of experience who will be able to manage the finances of a high performing district while finding innovative ways to navigate the ever-present challenges schools districts face in providing an exceptional educational experience for our students, staff and community now and in the future. We believe we have found that person in Thomas Lambe. Everyone we spoke with who knows Tom, talked about his outstanding knowledge of finance, his collaborative nature, his professionalism, and his connection with and dedication to the mission of public schools. We felt it was an added benefit that he has experience as a teacher. After a rigorous interview process, it was clear that Tom was the right person for the job, and I am excited to have him join our team.”

“I am excited to be able to join the Livingston Public Schools. My passion for education is a great match for the committed stakeholders in this high-performing school district. After a thorough interview process, I am grateful for the opportunity to collaborate with the administrative team, board members, teachers and support staff, as well as members of the community,” said Mr. Lambe.

Previous School Business Administrator Michael Davison departed the district on April 6, 2023 to join the Morris County Vocational School District. At its regularly scheduled Board meeting held on March 20, the Livingston Board of Education approved the appointment of Dora E. Zeno as the Interim School Business Administrator/Board Secretary to allow sufficient time to conduct a thorough search for the new School Business Administrator. Ms. Zeno commenced her employment on April 10, 2023 and will continue in this position until Mr. Lambe is able to join the District on July 1, 2023.

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