



TO: The Honorable Members of the Board of Regents
FROM: Betty A. Rosa
SUBJECT: Appointment of Christina Coughlin to Chief Financial Officer
DATE: April 18, 2023

AUTHORIZATION(S):

SUMMARY

Issue for Decision

Will the Board of Regents approve my appointment of Christina Coughlin to the position of Chief Financial Officer?

Reason(s) for Consideration

Christina will bring to the Chief Financial Officer position knowledge and expertise in education finance. Christina started her career with the NYS Division of Budget's Education Unit where she analyzed policy, data, fiscal and program issues related to education in New York. In 2013 she came to the Department to lead the Educational Management Services Unit where she provided policy advice to the Board and the Commissioner as they developed the Regents State Aid proposal. In 2017, Christina was appointed to the position of Assistant Commissioner for the Office of School Governance, Policy, and Religious and Independent Schools and has since served the Department in that capacity. Her experience and vast knowledge of education finance will make her an asset as she serves in this role.

Christina holds a PhD in Sociology and a Master of Arts in Educational Administration and Policy Studies from the University of Chicago, and a Bachelor of Arts in Economics from Williams College.

Proposed Handling

This appointment will come before the Full Board of Regents for final action at its April 2023 meeting.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Regents approve the appointment of Christina Coughlin to the position of Chief Financial Officer.

Timetable for Implementation

If the Board of Regents approves the recommendation, the appointment will be effective April 18, 2023.

VOTED: that the Board of Regents approve the appointment of Christina Coughlin to the position of Chief Financial Officer.