

TO: Members of the Groton-Dunstable School Committee  
Dunstable & Groton Community Members

RE: Screening Committee Activities and Recommendations

DATE: March 24, 2017

We are pleased to report on the activities of the Groton-Dunstable Superintendent Search Screening Committee.

During the months of February and March the Screening Committee met on several occasions to review applications and to interview candidates for the position of Superintendent of Schools. Applicants represented a wide range of experiences and backgrounds. We thank all those who expressed an interest in becoming our next school district leader.

The Screening Committee reviewed all of the applications and subsequently selected a number of candidates who were invited to meet with the Screening Committee for a preliminary interview. We enjoyed our conversations with each of the candidates. Following the preliminary interviews and after much discussion and consideration, the Screening Committee, during its meeting on March 23, 2017, voted to recommend three candidates for further consideration by the Groton-Dunstable School Committee.

The three candidates, listed in alphabetical order, are:

**Marie Altieri**, currently Deputy Superintendent, Acton – Boxborough Public Schools

**Dr. Laura Chesson**, currently Assistant Superintendent, Arlington Public Schools

**Dr. Jodi Fortuna**, currently Superintendent, Hudson Public Schools

On behalf of the School Committee and the Towns of Groton-Dunstable, I would like to thank the members of the Screening Committee for the many hours they devoted to reviewing applications, interviewing candidates and deliberating during the preliminary selection process. The conversations were lively, insightful and courteous. It was a pleasure to work with this group of truly dedicated school community members.

Respectfully submitted,

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Superintendent Screen Committee Chair  
Groton-Dunstable Regional School Committee Member