



April 20, 2020

Topic: Personnel Changes

Resignations:

Doug Donaue	OHS Assistant Boys Basketball Coach
Gretchen Nelson	7 th grade Volleyball, 8 th grade girls Basketball, DLR Academic Bowl and DLR Track

Leave of Absence:

Employments:

Nathan Green	OHS Head Boys Basketball Coach
Kristen Lookingland	7 th grade ELA Teacher beginning the 20-21 school year
Farrell Tremble-Cain	OHS Head Volleyball Coach 20-21

Retirements:

Renewals:

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Coach Lawton,

This is my letter of resignation from the varsity assistant boys' basketball coaching position. It has been an honor and a privilege to get the opportunity to coach the past 3 seasons for the school district that I grew up in, played for, and graduated high school from.

This feels like the right time for me to walk away and pursue the opportunities that present themselves in the school district that I teach in, and begin working on my master's degree. Thank you again for the opportunity, and I will be supporting the program as a fan during the coming season's.

Sincerely,

Doug Donahue

March 17, 2020

To Mr. Lawton, Mr. Crandall, Dr. Mahoney the OHS School Board,

Please accept my resignation at the end of the 2019-20 school year for my coaching/advisory positions of 7th grade volleyball, 8th grade girls' basketball, DLR Academic Bowl and DLR track. It has been my absolute pleasure to teach and coach in this district. I have built many friendships with parents, opposing coaches, staff and athletes that I will treasure. It has been hard work, at times, but always rewarding. I've tried to instill in my players that you get out of it what you put into it and that they were students first and athletes second. We tried to represent our team, school and community in a positive way. Thank you for the opportunity to serve this district.

Sincerely,

Gretchen Nelson



April 10, 2020

To: Mr. Thomas Mahoney
From: Kip Crandall
Re: Hire Recommendation

Position: 7th grade ELA teacher

Name: Kristen Lookingland

Notables: Kristen is December, 2019 graduate of Northern Illinois University with a Bachelors of Arts degree in English. Her licensure is in secondary English. Ms. Lookingland is currently the English teacher at Freeport Aquin High School. Her principal, Rosemarie Brubaker, provided the following remarks on Kristen's behalf: "while Kristen is a 'green' teacher, she has already shown she has the makings of an excellent educator. We hate to lose her. You would be making a mistake not to hire her." Prior to her being hired at Aquin, Kristen student taught at Oregon High School with Mrs. Adams as her cooperating teacher. Megan provided the following recommendation: "I think she will be an excellent addition to the team. She works hard at planning engaging lessons and giving thoughtful, thorough feedback to students. She ALWAYS kept her cool even in my very challenging freshman class. As any new teacher would, I think she does have room for growth but she does take any constructive criticism well." Kristen also expressed interest in helping with extracurricular opportunities. This position fills a vacancy created as the result of Gretchen Idhe-Nelson retiring from the district.

Salary: As per OEA contract.

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April 14, 2020

To: Mr. Thomas Mahoney

From: Mike Lawton

Re: Extracurricular Hire Recommendation

Position: Head Varsity Boys Basketball Coach

Name: Nathan Green

Notables: Nathan is the current sophomore boys basketball coach at Rockford Jefferson High School and has been involved in coaching in some capacity for most of the past decade. He played high school basketball at Rockford Lutheran, graduating from there in 2010 and has a strong familiarity with the Big Northern Conference.

Nathan attended college at Concordia University in Wisconsin playing basketball there for one season before moving on to Illinois State University where he received his B.S. degree in education in 2014. He also has a M.S. degree from Concordia University, Chicago.

In addition to coaching at the high school level, Nathan has also worked summer internships at college camps including working with Tom Izzo at Michigan State University and also at the University of Wisconsin.

Stipend: Head varsity boys basketball coach, Year 7 experience .

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April 13, 2020

To: Mr. Thomas Mahoney
From: Mike Lawton
Re: Extracurricular Hire Recommendation

Position: OHS Head Volleyball Coach

Name: Farrell Tremble-Cain

Notables: Farrell is a 2007 graduate of Oregon High School where she was a member of the 36-4 team which advanced to the IHSA Supersectional. In 2011, she earned a B.S. Degree in Psychology from Lawrence University in Appleton, WI where she played varsity volleyball all four seasons. She coached at the club level while a college student and has served as either a volunteer coach or paid assistant coach since the fall of 2011 for the Oregon HS program.

There were two applicants for the position and Farrell was clearly the superior candidate. She will replace Faith McNamee who resigned in February.

Stipend: Head high school volleyball coaching stipend, year 6

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