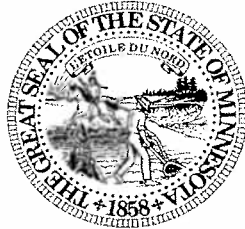


STATE OF MINNESOTA



MARK DAYTON
GOVERNOR

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT

Todd Sesker

2800 First Avenue Northwest
Faribault, MN 55021
County of Rice
Congressional District 1

Because of the special trust and confidence I have in your integrity, judgment, and ability, I have appointed and commissioned you to have and to hold the office of:

SUPERINTENDENT MEMBER

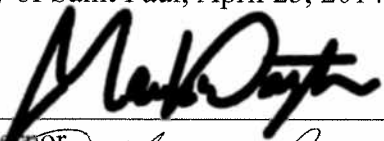
BOARD OF THE MINNESOTA STATE ACADEMIES


Effective: April 30, 2014
Term Expires: January 1, 2018

This appointment carries with it all rights, powers, duties, and emoluments granted by law and pertaining to this position until this appointment is superseded or annulled by me or other lawful authority or by any law of this State.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the Capitol in the City of Saint Paul, April 25, 2014.




Governor


Secretary of State

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Replacing: Gwendolyn Jackson

President of the Senate

STATE OF MINNESOTA
OPEN APPOINTMENTS APPLICATION FOR SERVICE ON
STATE AGENCIES, BOARDS, COUNCILS, COMMISSIONS or TASK FORCES

All information on this form is available to the public upon request.

Part I - Tell us about the Position to which you are applying

Required Information (MN Stat § 15.0597 Subd. 5.)

Agency: The Board of the Minnesota State Academies

Position Sought: member

By request, this application will be made available in alternative format (for example, braille, large print, audio tape, or computer disk.)

Part II - Tell us about Yourself

Required Information (MN Stat § 15.0597 Subd. 5.)

Applicant

Name: Todd Sesker

Preferred Phone: 507 333-6010

Preferred Mailing

Address: 2800 First Ave NW
(Preferred Mailing Address)

E-MAIL: tsesker@faribault.k12.mn.us

County: Rice

Faribault Mn 55021
(City) (State) (Zip)

MN House of Rep Dist: 24B

US House of Rep Dist: 1

Have you ever been convicted of a felony:

Yes No X

Did the Appointing Authority suggest you submit your application? Yes X No

Please attach a cover letter, current resume, or other information that you feel would be helpful to the Appointing Authority.

Part III: OPTIONAL STATISTICAL INFORMATION

The following information is optional and voluntary (MN Stat §15.0597 Subd. 5.).
Information is collected for, and compiled in, the annual report on the open appointments process pursuant to MN Stat §15.0597 Subd. 7.

Sex:

Female
Male X

Age: 50

Disability:

Yes
No X

Political Party:

X Democratic-Farmer-Labor
 Independence
 Republican
 No Party Preference
 Other

Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin?

 Yes
X No

Race:

(As listed on United State Census 2010)
(Pick as many as apply)

 American Indian or Alaska Native
 African American or Black
X White or Caucasian
 Other Race

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Part IV: Signature and Submittal Instructions

President of the Senate

I swear that, to the best of my knowledge, the above information is correct and that I satisfy all legally prescribed qualifications for the position sought. (*If another person or group is nominating the applicant, the applicant's signature indicates consent to nomination.)

Todd Sesker
(Signature of Applicant)

1/13/2014

(Date)

MAIL OR SUBMIT IN PERSON:

Office of the Secretary of State
Open Appointments
180 State Office Building
100 Rev Dr Martin Luther King Jr Blvd
St. Paul, MN 55155-1299

Questions:

Phone: (651) 556-0643
Email: open.appointments@state.mn.us

Applicants will not receive an acknowledgement of submitted applications; the appointing authority will notify you if an interview is desired.

Governor
01/16/2014

Cover Letter or Other Helpful Information:

Date: 1/16/2014

To: Minnesota Secretary of State

From: Todd Sesker, Superintendent Faribault Public Schools

RE: Consideration to be a member of the Board of the Minnesota State Academies

Dear Mr. Secretary,

Please consider me for the position of member of the Board of the Minnesota State Academies.

I believe my expertise in education and my desire to see all kids succeed would be an asset to this board.

I am very excited to be asked to have this opportunity to serve for the Minnesota State Academies.

Sincerely,

Todd Sesker

Superintendent Faribault Public Schools

Resume or Other Helpful Information:

Todd Sesker

208 Barkley Circle

Cannon Falls, MN 55009 Ph# (507) 263-9406

Cell# (507) 298-1860

sesker.todd@cannonfallsschools.com

Todd Sesker

Objective My goal is to be a successful school Superintendent for a Minnesota school district

Experience 2010-2013 Faribault Public Schools Faribault, Mn

Superintendent of Schools

- Worked collaboratively with school board members to create a mission and vision for the school district
- Successfully organized and passed an operating levy in the fall of '13
- Worked collaboratively with the Northfield public schools to create the CREC
- Created a 18% fund balance for the school district
- Worked collaboratively with staff to create a successful AVID program 7-10
- Worked collaboratively with South Central College (SCC) to create a strong working relationship by creating courses with SCC
- Helped create a strong technology infrastructure in order to advance our technology programs
- Continue to create positive relationships between school and community
- Successfully testified in front of the state senate and house committees for a facility lease levy for all schools in Minnesota
- Successfully testified in front of the state senate committee for a State Accreditation program for School Age Childcare

scholarships

2001-2010 Cannon Falls Public Schools Cannon Falls, MN

Superintendent of Schools

- Student centered, focusing on successful academic and co-curricular opportunities for kids
- Successfully organized and passed an operating referendum in the fall of '04
- Successfully organized and passed an operating referendum in the fall of '07
- Successfully organized and passed \$21 million bond issue in the fall of '07
- Created a 5-year financial projection model for the district
- Continue to maintain positive relationships between school and community
- Part of an administrative team that combined 6th – 8th grade levels into a successful Middle School concept
- Part of an administrative team that developed an ALC in Cannon Falls

1999-2001 Goodhue Public Schools Goodhue, MN

Superintendent of Schools

- Successfully helped organize a committee to pass a bond issue
- Selected as general contractor for the school and city for a new park
- Maintained positive working relationships between school and community

1985-1999 Spring Grove Public School Spring Grove, MN

Teacher, Coach, Athletic Director, Principal Intern

- 7-12 Mathematics and Computer Science classroom teacher for 14 years
- Head football, head softball, assistant wrestling, assistant baseball coach
- Athletic Director of two years and Principal intern for one year

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Education 1981-1985 Luther College Decorah, IA

☑ B.A., Mathematics/Secondary Education

☑ B.A., Computer Science

1992-1999 Winona State University Winona, MN

☑ M.A., Secondary Education and Technology

☑ Ed. Specialist Degree, Educational Administration

Interests Spending time with family (married with three daughters), golf, fishing, community involvement

Organizations

☑ MASA/AASA Member

☑ MASE Member

☑ 2001- present Member of Cannon Falls Rotary Club

☑ 2001- present Member of the Cannon Falls Education Foundation

☑ Member of Superintendent's Symposium group for MASA

☑ 2011-2012 MASA Chair for Legislative Committee

☑ 2010-2011 MASA Chair elect for Legislative Committee

☑ 2006-2007 MASA Chair for Nominating Committee

☑ 2004-2005 MASA Federal Advocacy Group

☑ Member of St. Ansgars Lutheran Church Finance Committee

☑ Past Chair for Three Rivers Superintendent Committee

☑ Past Chair for HVL Superintendent Committee

☑ Past Chair for Goodhue County Family Service Collaborative

☑ Past Chair for Cannon Falls Housing Initiative

☑ Current Chair for Goodhue County Ed District Superintendent Advisory Committee

☑ Member of Southeast Technical College foundation board

☑ Member of Cannon Falls Chamber of Commerce

☑ Past Member of Goodhue Lions Club

Personal Awards and Accomplishments

☑ Completed a one week Blandin Leadership training program in 2005

☑ Created an Ad Hoc Finance committee that met monthly for two years leading up to our Successful Operating Referendum in 2004 and 2007

☑ Created an Ad Hoc Facility committee that met monthly leading up to the passing of our Bond Issue in 2007

☑ Successfully teamed up with the City of Cannon Falls to replace all the lights on the Athletic Field

☑ Four-year letter winner in football at Luther College

☑ Captain of the 1984 Luther College football team

☑ Iowa All Conference Defensive Back at Luther College

☑ Letter winner in Wrestling and Baseball at Luther College

G.P.A. 3.71

Educational Leader

(Superintendent)

It has been my privilege to work closely with students, staff and community. I believe through my leadership, improvements have been made with staff communication, community development and the general education culture for both Cannon Falls Area Schools and Goodhue Public School. Together with teachers, parents, community members, and students we have made our schools successful and an effective learning environment for kids.

References

Gary Amoroso, Executive Director for MASA (651) 645-6869 (w) – I have known Gary Amoroso for 4-5 years as a mentor and professionally as a superintendent

Ric Dressen, Superintendent Edina Public Schools (952) 848-4000 (w) – I have known Ric for many years as a colleague

Colleen Mertesdorf, Finance Director for the Faribault Public Schools (507) 333-6010 (w). I have worked collaboratively with Colleen for three years. We have created a strong fund balance and passed a levy together.

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Jason Engbrecht, Board Chair for the Faribault Public Schools (507) 210-3257 (c) – I worked collaboratively with Mr. Engbrecht on a variety of projects in Faribault. We have a great relationship.

Howard Bode, Board member (clerk) for the Faribault Public Schools (507) 323-5987– Howard and I have worked together on a variety of projects in Faribault. We also have a great relationship.

Dick Peterson, former Cannon Falls board chair and community member, 31643 Co 24 Blvd, Cannon Falls, Mn, 507 263-4148 (h) – I have known Dick Peterson professionally and as a friend for 9 years

Lyle Turtle, High School Principal at Faribault High School (507) 333-6249 (w) (507) 323-4323 – I have worked collaboratively with Lyle now for three years.

Suzy Olson, Elementary teacher for Faribault Public Schools 507 333-6642 (w) – I have known Suzy as an outstanding teacher for three years as a coworker for our district.

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