

**Public Schools of Brookline
333 Washington Street
Brookline, MA 02445**

To: The Brookline School Committee

From: Bella Wong, Superintendent

Re: Deputy Superintendent of the Office of Teaching and Learning

Date: December 18, 2025

Dear Members of the School Committee,

I am pleased to recommend that you approve my recommendation to appoint Robin Benoit to the permanent role of Deputy Superintendent of the Office of Teaching and Learning effective immediately pending negotiation of a new contract. I have completed a mid-term check in with members of the leadership team, building principals, each Curriculum Coordinator, and other staff who work directly with Robin. There is unanimous support to move Robin to a permanent appointment.

The following comments were highly positive and consistent across the interviews.

- Calm and professional demeanor
- Thoughtful listener
- Leads with curiosity for the purpose of learning and understanding
- Helpful problem solver
- Well organized and clear thinker
- Impressively well versed across all technical aspects of the role no matter how diverse
- Happy that she has served as a principal
- Brings good ideas to consider
- Is receptive to the ideas of others
- Processes information before coming to a conclusion
- Responses are timely and on point
- Even if one hasn't spent a lot of time with her so far they have enjoyed what interaction they have had so far
- Would love to see the SLT be more stable and fully support that an appointment as this time is in the right direction

Staff are generally very excited about Robin continuing in the role. They are almost as excited especially about the last point on the list above. I would be very pleased to have Robin as a permanent addition to the senior leadership team and am excited that she would like to stay.