



# INDIANA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

**To:** Indiana State Board of Education  
**CC:** Dr. Katie Jenner, Chair, Secretary of Education  
**From:** Philip A. Gordon, General Counsel  
**Date:** January 3, 2023  
**RE:** **State Board of Education Executive Director**

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## **Recommendation: Approve David Buyze as Executive Director**

Pursuant to IC 20-19-2-2.1(c), the Indiana State Board of Education (SBOE) may appoint an executive director to assist in overseeing its matters.

As you know, over the past couple months, David Buyze, the Indiana Department of Education's (IDOE's) director of policy and special programs, has been assisting the board in addition to performing his regular duties with the department.

David joined IDOE in 2023 to focus on legislation, policy development, and special programs. Prior to joining IDOE, David spent over a decade in various roles with the Indiana House of Representatives, including staffing the House Education Committee and serving as a policy analyst focusing specifically on education policy.

David's extensive education policy background has already proven to be a valuable asset to SBOE. Accordingly, it is my recommendation that the board vote to appoint David as its next executive director.