### 302. EMPLOYMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR

#### 1. Purpose

The Joint Operating Committee places the primary responsibility and authority for the administration of the school in the Administrative Director. Therefore, selection of an Administrative Director is critical to the effective management of the school.

#### 2. Authority

When the position of Administrative Director becomes vacant, the Joint Operating Committee shall elect an Administrative Director by a majority vote of all members of the Joint Operating Committee and shall fix the beginning salary and term of office.

Such term may be three (3), four (4), or five (5) years beginning with the effective date of the appointment to office.

The Joint Operating Committee shall actively seek the best qualified and most capable candidate for the position of Administrative Director. It may be aided in this task by a committee of Joint Operating Committee members and/or the services of professional consultants, and/or members of the community.

#### 3. Guidelines

**Recruitment**

Recruitment procedures shall be prepared in advance of the search and may include the following:

1. Preparation of a job description for the position, written in accordance with the requirements of law.
2. Preparation of written qualifications, in addition to proper state requirements, for all applicants.
3. Preparation of informative material describing the school and its educational goals and career and programs.
4. Opportunity for applicants to visit the school, at the Joint Operating Committee's invitation.
5. Recruitment and evaluation of candidates in accordance with Joint Operating Committee policy and state and federal law.

A screening process shall be established that ensures the Joint Operating Committee has an opportunity to interview a sufficient number of finalist candidates so that an appropriate range of choices is available for final selection.

The Joint Operating Committee shall determine prior to interviewing finalists which expenses associated with such interviews will be borne by the school.

### Employment

No candidate shall be employed until such candidate has complied with all the PDE mandatory background check requirements for criminal history, child abuse, and a successful FBI fingerprint check as provided for in Act 114, Act 168, and all other PDE mandated background checks and certifications, and the school has evaluated the results of that screening process.

No person shall be employed as Administrative Director unless s/he has signed an employment contract or has been employed by Joint Operating Committee resolution, either of which may include:

1. Term for which employment is contracted, including beginning and ending dates.

2. Salary which shall be paid and the intervals at which it shall be paid.

3. Benefits to which the employee is entitled.

4. Statement of the procedure to be followed and the consequences of termination or modification.

5. Provision for extending the term of the agreement.


After receiving an offer of employment but prior to beginning employment, the candidate shall undergo a medical examination, as required by law.

Any candidate's misstatement of fact material to qualifications for employment or determination of salary shall constitute grounds for dismissal by the Joint Operating Committee.

The school shall submit a New Hire Report for each employee required to be
| Sec. 653a | reported by law. |