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## BOARD APPOINTS NEW CTE ADMINISTRATOR

The Idaho State Board of Education today named Nampa resident Clay Long as the new state administrator of the Idaho Division of Career Technical Education.

Long -33, worked as a career technical education instructor and administrator in the West Ada and Nampa School Districts starting in 2011. He also served one year as state president for Career & Technical Educators of Idaho. Since July, he has served as chief of staff to Nampa Mayor Debbie Kling.

"The State Board expects Mr. Long to build upon the success already achieved by the division to support student readiness with needed industry skills," Board President Debbie Critchfield said. "Clay has field experience, has established contacts and relationships with a variety of industry and education partners, and he understands how important successful career technical programs are for Idaho students and our state's workforce needs."

Long was picked from a list of 20 applicants. His first day as state administrator will be December 9, 2019. He succeeds Dwight Johnson who is retiring. Long holds a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from Lewis-Clark State College, a Master in Educational Leadership from Concordia University, and an

Education Specialist Degree in Educational Leadership from Northwest Nazarene University. Long's starting annual salary will be \$125,000.

In other actions, the Board approved several education-related proposed rules as pending rules, meaning the rules will now be considered by the Idaho Legislature during the 2020 session.

Here's a link to meeting agenda, which contains a list of the approved pending rules: https://boardofed.idaho.gov/event/special-board-meeting-osbe-53/

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