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Dear Friends,

The Board of Trustees of The New School Montessori is grateful to Eric Dustman for his many years of dedication to TNSM. He has been instrumental in the improvements to our campus and, more importantly, in the excellent education our children have enjoyed. We were sad to learn of Eric's decision, however, we appreciate the early notice of his plans to leave TNSM at the conclusion of the 2014-2015 school year.

The Board of Trustees is working closely with Eric to coordinate his exit and to execute a search for a new Director. Eric will remain in his current role through the 2014-2015 school year, allowing us ample time to complete this process. The Board has appointed a search committee composed of current board members. The search team members are Klaus Ramberg, Michelle Gardener, Megan Park, Michael Domka, and Amanda Adkins.

Eric has been a collaborative and energetic leader at TNSM. While many of us cannot imagine The New School without him, we do appreciate and support his interest for growing and seeking other opportunities. A founding New School principle is to always remain new and innovative and we view this as an opportunity for growth. The school and its faculty and staff remain on a solid foundation and we will continue to thrive and change. I hope you will join the Board in continuing to support Eric, and his staff, during this process.

A national search will be launched in the coming months. As we move through the process, the school community will be informed, and have an opportunity to provide input. The search committee will likely convene with members of the community in the fall of the 2014-2015 school year, once the pool of potential candidates has vetted and narrowed.

Please contact me, or any member of the search committee, with questions.

Sincerely,

Amanda Adkins
President-elect Board of Trustees
The New School Montessori