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MEMORANDUM DATE: June 13, 2007

ORDER DATE: June 27, 2007

TO: Board of County Commissioners

DEPARTMENT: Lane Workforce Partnership

PRESENTED BY: Chuck Forster, Executive Director

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: ORDER/IN THE MATTER OF APPOINTING A YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE TO THE LANE WORKFORCE PARTNERSHIP YOUTH COUNCIL COMMITTEE

I. MOTION

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II. AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

The Board of County Commissioners is being asked to appoint Alex Tadeo as the Youth Representative to the Lane Workforce Partnership Youth Council Committee.

III. BACKGROUND/IMPLICATIONS OF ACTION

A. Board Action and Other History

The Workforce Investment Act of 1998 mandates the establishment of a Youth Council. The Youth Council is a subgroup within each local workforce investment board, e.g., the Lane Workforce Partnership, approved by the local board in cooperation with the chief elected official for the local area. Note: On January 25, 2000, the Lane County Board of Commissioners approved designation of the Lane Workforce Partnership as the local workforce investment board under the Workforce Investment Act of 1998.

The Lane Workforce Partnership offers workforce development services for adults, low-income youth and businesses throughout Lane County. The purpose and scope of its programs are governed by the Workforce Investment Act. The Workforce Investment Act establishes a Youth Council and also requires collaboration among education, other youth systems and business for a more comprehensive service delivery system in Lane County. The Act also requires community representation through its youth position.

B. Policy Issues

The Workforce Investment Act mandates the establishment of a Youth Council. The Youth Council is a subcommittee of the Lane Workforce Partnership board. Membership of the Youth Council must include: members of the local board with special interest or expertise in youth policy; representative of a youth service agency; representative of the local juvenile justice system; representative of the local housing authority; parent of eligible youth in need of services under the Act; individual youth or former youth participant; and representative of the Job Corps. The Lane Workforce Partnership has a vacancy in the youth position that needs to be filled to stay in compliance with the Act.

C. Board Goals

The Lane Workforce Partnership is dedicated to improving the competitiveness of local businesses through the development of a skilled workforce and to enhance the ability of Lane County residents to secure and retain family wage jobs. The activities of the Lane Workforce Partnership relates directly to Lane County's goal "*work for a strong regional economy to expand the number of family-wage jobs available in Lane County*" (Lane County Strategic Plan 2001-05, Section IV).

D. Financial and/or Resource Considerations

Because the Youth Representative is a volunteer position, there is no financial and/or resource considerations to this appointment.

E. Analysis

In 2006 the Lane County Board of Commissioners appointed Vanessa Prodan as the Youth Representative on the Youth Council. Due to personal commitments, Ms. Prodan could no longer continue to participate on the Youth Council. The Lane Workforce Partnership Board of Directors recruited Alex Tadeo to fill the vacancy left by Ms. Prodan. Mr. Tadeo is a current participant registered in the Workforce Investment Act youth program located at the Springfield School District. Mr. Tadeo has a strong interest in youth programs due to his active participation and involvement.

F. Alternatives/Options

To not appoint Alex Tadeo as the new Youth Representative would result in non-compliance with the Workforce Investment Act and potential loss of federal funds and services to Lane County youth.

IV. TIMING/IMPLEMENTATION

The appointment of Alex Tadeo would be effective on the date of signature of the Board Order.

V. RECOMMENDATION

To appoint Alex Tadeo to the Youth Council as the youth representative from July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008.

VI. FOLLOW-UP

The appointment of Alex Tadeo would become effective upon approval by the County Commissioners.

VII. ATTACHMENTS

Board Order

IN THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF LANE COUNTY, OREGON

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ORDER NO.

WHEREAS, the Lane Workforce Partnership is required by the Workforce Investment Act to establish a Youth Council with its membership consisting of representatives from specific agencies and individuals; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners as the governing body of Lane County in cooperation with the Lane Workforce Partnership, and in accordance with the Workforce Investment Act of 1998, may appoint members to the Youth Council, it is hereby

RESOLVED AND ORDERED that the County approve the appointment of the following named person to serve on the Lane Workforce Partnership Youth Council from July 1, 2007 through December 31, 2008.

Alex Tadeo, Youth

Dated this _____ day of June 2007

Faye Stewart, Chair
Lane County Board of Commissioners

APPROVED AS TO FORM
Date 6/19/07 Lane County
Teresa Spalik
OFFICE OF LEGAL COUNSEL

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