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AGENDA MEMORANDUM

DATE: June 9, 2010
TO: Board of County Commissioners
FROM: Chuck Forster
Lane Workforce Partnership
SUBJECT: ORDER/IN THE MATTER OF APPOINTING A YOUTH SERVICES REPRESENTATIVE TO THE LANE WORKFORCE PARTNERSHIP'S YOUTH COUNCIL COMMITTEE

I. MOTION

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II. AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

The Board of County Commissioners is being asked to appoint Lynne Schroeder as the youth services representative to the Lane Workforce Partnership's Youth Council Committee. Ms. Schroeder serves as the Assistant Director of Lane County's Department of Youth Services.

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.

The Lane Workforce Partnership's Youth Council Committee has a youth services representative vacancy due to the resignation of Lisa Smith, Executive Director, Lane County Department of Youth Services. Lynne Schroeder has been nominated to replace Lisa Smith on the Youth Council Committee.

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.

The resignation of Lisa Smith leaves a youth services representative vacancy on the Youth Council Committee. The Board of County Commissioners is being asked to approve the appointment of Lynne Schroeder to fill the vacant position.

C. Board Goals

The Lane Workforce Partnership is dedicated to improving the competitiveness of local businesses through the development of a skilled workforce and enhancing 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 services representative is a volunteer position, there is no financial and/or resource considerations to this appointment.

E. Analysis

Lisa Smith resigned from the Lane Workforce Partnership's Youth Council Committee as the youth services representative. Lynne Schroeder has been recommended by the Department of Youth Services to replace Ms. Smith on the Youth Council Committee. A youth services representative on the Youth Council Committee is mandated by the Workforce Investment Act.

F. Alternatives/Options

To not appoint Lynne Schroeder as the new youth services representative on the Youth Council Committee 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 Lynne Schroeder would be effective on the date of signature of the Board Order.

V. RECOMMENDATION

To appoint Lynne Schroeder, Assistant Director, Department of Youth Services, to the Lane Workforce Partnership's Youth Council Committee as the youth services representative from June 9, 2010 to December 31, 2013.

VI. FOLLOW-UP

The appointment of Lynne Schroeder 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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}APPOINTING A YOUTH SERVICES
}REPRESENTATIVE TO THE LANE
}WORKFORCE PARTNERSHIP'S
}YOUTH COUNCIL COMMITTEE**

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's Youth Council Committee from June 9, 2010 through December 31, 2013.

Lynne Schroeder
Assistant Director
Department of Youth Services Representative

Dated this _____ day of June 2010

APPROVED AS TO FORM
Date: 5/27/10 Lane County
[Signature]
OFFICE OF LEGAL COUNSEL

Peter Sorenson, Chair
Lane County Board of Commissioners

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