

AGENDA COVER MEMO

AGENDA DATE: March 17, 2010

TO: Board of County Commissioners

DEPARTMENT: Health & Human Services

PRESENTED BY: Rob Rockstroh



AGENDA TITLE: ORDER _____ / IN THE MATTER OF APPOINTING ONE MEMBER TO THE COMMUNITY HEALTH COUNCIL

I. MOTION

In the Matter of Appointing One Member to the Community Health Council.

II. AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

The Community Health Council has five vacancies, three for consumers and two designated to be encumbered by community members who are healthcare providers. The Council is seeking Board approval of one of the two provider members.

III. BACKGROUND/IMPLICATIONS OF ACTION

A. Board Action and Other History

The BCC last appointed (four) members to the Community Health Council via BO 8-3-19-1 and the by-laws were last revised via BO 8-1-23-1.

The Community Health Council (LM 3.534) is a mandated body with membership defined by Section 330(j)(3)(H) of the Health Centers Consolidation Act of 1996 (P.L. 104-299). This Council serves as the Board of County Commissioner's "co-applicant" body for the federal grant funding afforded the Community Health Centers of Lane County.

H&HS has posted six vacancy announcements for the Community Health Council between March, 2009 and December, 2009; attracting only two applicants.

Current composition for this body by Commissioner District is (with 11 members serving, but with one member working in Lane County but residing outside, as permitted under the by-laws):

- District 2 – 4 members
- District 3 - 4 members
- District 4 – 2 members

If the current proposed appointment is approved (see attached roster), the resultant committee composition, by Commissioner District would be:

- District 2 – 5 members
- District 3 – 4 members
- District 4 - 2 members

The applicant referred for consideration is:

<u>Member/District Residency</u>	<u>Appoint to Position #</u>	<u>Term Expiration*</u>
Taj Starr/District 2	2/community mbr/provider	6/30/2014

*based on the maximum term expiration, all advisory committee members serve at the will of the BCC.

B. Policy Issues

This applicant met the minimum qualifications for service on this body. The application was reviewed by a nominating subcommittee of the Community Health Council, which referred the candidate to the full Community Health Council for consideration. Action was taken at the regular Council meeting held on Tuesday, February 23, 2010, to approve referral of the candidacy to the BCC for appointment. Approval of this candidate will not create imbalance among the Commissioner Districts represented on this body.

C. Board Goals

N/A

D. Financial and/or Resource Considerations

Recruitment for committees represents a significant expense for H&HS both with respect to staff resources and the cost of posting vacancy notices.

E. Analysis

The Community Health Council established a by-laws review subcommittee at its most recent regular meeting, held on February 23, 2010. One action of this subcommittee shall be to review the size of the membership of the Council, which was enlarged in 2008 in response to the inclusion of mental health services under the FQHC. It is anticipated that this by-laws review will result in a request to reduce the membership of the Council, through attrition, by four or more members.

F. Alternatives / Options

1. Appoint the nominated candidate.
2. Reject the nomination and re-post this and other vacancies.

IV. TIMING/IMPLEMENTATION

If Board approval is received, the appointee will be added to the Community Health Council immediately and invited to participate at the next meeting, scheduled for Tuesday, March 30, 2010.

V. RECOMMENDATION

Both H&HS and Community Health Center staff approve this nomination and endorse sending the nomination forward immediately, without awaiting Council action on the second applicant, based on the difficulty this body has in reaching a monthly quorum.

VI. FOLLOW-UP

The Community Health Council will consider another recent applicant, for position 3 (community member/provider) at its next meeting, scheduled for March 30, 2010.

VII. ATTACHMENTS

Board Order

Community Health Council Membership Roster (proposed appointment in italics).

Application

Letters of Appointment and gratitude (four resignations over the past 12 months).

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, LANE COUNTY, OREGON

RESOLUTION) IN THE MATTER OF APPOINTING ONE MEMBER TO THE
AND ORDER:) COMMUNITY HEALTH COUNCIL

WHEREAS, The Community Health Council has five vacancies, due to resignations; and

WHEREAS, One applicant has been referred to the Commissioners for consideration for appointment, with the Community Health Council's endorsement;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED AND ORDERED that the following individual be appointed to serve on the Community Health Council as listed below:

<u>Member</u>	<u>Appoint to Position #</u>	<u>Term Expiration</u>
Taj Starr	2 (CommMbr/Provider)	6/30/2014

DATED this _____ day of March, 2010

Bill Fleenor, Chair
Lane County Board of Commissioners

APPROVED AS TO FORM
Date 3/10/10 Lane County
[Signature]
OFFICE OF LEGAL COUNSEL

COMMUNITY HEALTH COUNCIL

LM 3.534: The Committee shall consist of seventeen (17) members, each of whom shall serve four (4) years expiring June 30, limited to two (2) consecutive terms.

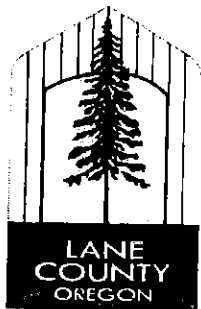
"Membership shall total seventeen (17) to include: nine (9) consumers (to include primary health care, mental health care, migrant seasonal farm workers and the homeless) and eight (8) community members (including providers, but no more than 4 of the non-consumer member may earn more than 10% of their income from the health care industry), per Section 330(j)(3)(H) of the Health Centers Consolidation Act of 1996 (P.L. 104-299).

"Whenever a vacancy occurs during a term, the replacement shall be appointed only to fill the unexpired portion of the term." (By-Laws) This sentence has been interpreted to mean that a committee member may serve two full terms after filling a vacated term. COT's of less than 6 months shall be for the COT plus a full 4-year term.

Posn #	Member Profession	Comm District	Term or COT	Category: Community Member or Consumer Date = Last CHC Visit	Expires	Office
1	vacant			Consumer Date:	6/30/14	
2	Taj Starr	2	1	Community Member Provider	6/30/14	
3	vacant			Community Member Provider	6/30/11	
4	Nowell King	3	COT	Consumer Date:	6/30/11	
5	Bill Dwyer Commissioner	2	2	Consumer Date: Family 6/ 08	6/30/11	
6	Niel Laudati	3	COT	Community Member	6/30/11	
7	Nancy Hayner	NOTE	2	Community Member Provider	6/30/10	
8	Diane Lang, J.D.	3	2	Community Member	6/30/11	
9	Marianne Malott *	4	2	Consumer/ Homeless Date: June 2008	6/30/10	Secrty
10	Vacant			Consumer Date: June 2008	6/30/12	
11	Guadalupe Valenzuela*, R.N.	2	1	Consumer/Migrant Seasonal Farm Worker Date: March 2008	6/30/11	
12	Vacant			Consumer Date: March 08	6/30/12	
13	Larry Sullivan	2	1	Community Member	6/30/11	
14	vacant		COT	Consumer/Advocate Mental Health	6/30/11	
15	Dan Rupe	2	1	Community Member	6/30/11	
16	Lillian Parker	4	1	Consumer Date:	6/30/11	Pres
17	Leia Pitcher	3	1	Community member	6/30/12	

NOTE: Nancy Hayner works in Springfield, but resides in Harrisburg. COT = Completion of Term

* Some Council members are homeless and/or seasonal/migrant farm workers and their residency within Lane County may vary



Lane County
CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE
APPLICATION

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APPLICANT'S NAME AND CITY: <i>Taj Starr Springfield</i>	DATE: <i>9/22/09</i>
NAME OF ADVISORY COMMITTEE: <i>Community Health Council</i>	PLEASE CHECK ONE: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New Applicant <input type="checkbox"/> Application for Reappointment

1. Give a brief description of the experience or training that qualifies you for membership on this advisory committee (If you wish, you may attach a resume or other pertinent material.)
I am an ASCP certified medical laboratory scientist. I currently work at Peace Health Laboratories as a medical technologist in Molecular Diagnostics.
2. Why do you want to become a member of this committee, and what specific contributions do you hope to make?
The clinical side of medicine is extremely important, however, my field of expertise often gets overlooked.
3. List the community concerns related to this committee that you would like to see addressed if you are appointed.
 - Dissemination of accurate and detailed health information.
 - Prevention (preventative care) / pro-active approaches to health
 - advertisement of free or low cost health services (alternative or conventional)
 - well-balanced living for everyone (the haves and the have nots)
4. Briefly describe your present or past involvement in relevant community groups. (Having no previous involvement will not disqualify you for appointment.)
Student Health Advisory Committee - Marquette University (2001, 2002)
Jubilee World Outreach Growth Team (a team formed to research the needs of our growing church).
5. Lane County is committed to reflecting diverse cultures on its boards/committees and does not discriminate against any person on the basis of gender, race, color, national origin, religion, disability, or age in employment or in admission, treatment, or participation in its programs, services, and activities. If selected, how would you contribute to this effort? *I am a woman and a person of color. I realize that all people are unique. There is no one-size-fits-all formula that represents the diversity in the community. I hope to represent different perspectives.*
6. Are you currently serving on any Advisory Boards or Committees? If so, which ones?
No
7. Are you employed by, have any business, contractual arrangements or family connections with programs having contractual agreements with the County or that might be within the purview of the committee on which you are seeking appointment? (If there is a change in your circumstances, please advise the staff for the committee within 30 days.)
☒ No ☐ Yes Specify:
8. How did you learn about this vacancy? ☒ Newspaper ☐ Word of mouth ☐ Other:
9. In which County Commissioner District do you reside? please check one:
☐ Unsure ☐ West Lane County ☒ Springfield ☐ South Eugene ☐ North Eugene ☐ East Lane County

*The Board of Commissioners has adopted the following policy on reappointments:

a. Members of County advisory groups will serve a maximum of two consecutive terms when term lengths are three or more years in length.

b. The deadline for incumbent applications will be the same as the deadline for new applications.

* Unless waived by the Board.

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TAJ STARR

Objective

Resourcefulness, increased troubleshooting skills, and the ability to multi-task in all the areas of the laboratory are a few of the invaluable traits that I have procured. I believe that my willingness to learn and meet new challenges creatively is an asset to any environment.

Education

August 2000—May 2003, Clinical Laboratory Science, Marquette University

Work Experience

July 2002 - May 2003, Clinical Laboratory Science Student

Zablocki Veterans' Association Medical Center Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Gained didactic and clinical experience in performing procedures and reporting results in clinical chemistry, hematology, microbiology, immunohematology, urinalysis, hemostasis, and immunoserology.

August 2004 - May 2006, Clinical Laboratory Scientist

McKenzie-Willamette Hospital Springfield, Oregon

The single night shift worker of a one-hundred fourteen bed hospital reporting results in clinical chemistry, hematology, microbiology, immunohematology, urinalysis, hemostasis, and immunoserology.

May 2006 - present, Clinical Laboratory Scientist

PeaceHealth Laboratories Springfield, Oregon

Currently work in the field of Molecular Diagnostics

Volunteer Work

Jubilee World Outreach Growth Team (2007)

Jubilee World Outreach Greeter (2008 to present)

Licenses and Certificates

Medical Technologist , MT (ASCP)

References

(Furnished upon request.)