

Agenda Item Number 12.B.

Appointments to Senior Services Advisory Council

Presenter: Kay Metzger

Action Recommended: None. Information Only

Background:

The Senior Services Advisory Council (SSAC) operates on a July 1 – June 30 yearly cycle. The terms of most members on the Council are staggered. The SSAC Bylaws allow members to serve up to six years. The length of term is three years; therefore members can serve two consecutive terms before “limiting” out. The SSAC has considered the recommendations of the Nominating Committee at its meeting on June 12th.

Appointments to the Senior Services Advisory Council:

1. Membership Report: On June 30 of this year, the terms of five “general” members will conclude. Out of those five members, three are interested in re-appointment.

The Bylaws of the SSAC allow for no fewer than fifteen (15) and no more than twenty-three (23) members. Additionally, the Bylaws allow up to nine (9) Community Representative positions. During 2006-07, the SSAC was comprised of a total of twenty-one (21) members, and no Community Representatives. Given the resignation of Don Hampton and, assuming that the Disability Services Advisory Council appoints only one liaison member to the Senior Council, there will be five (5) open seats for full membership on the Council on July 1, 2007. At least three must be filled by a person 60+ years of age. There will also be up to nine (9) Community Representative positions open.

2. Recruitment Activities: At its first meeting, the Nominating Committee recommended several strategies for recruitment, and determined to pursue them

immediately. The strategies included sending press releases to the local newspapers, posting the information in Senior Centers and other organizations such as OASIS, and asking Advisory Council members to actively recruit potential candidates. Additionally, S&DS staff were encouraged to refer any interested parties. Due to the diligent work by Nominating Committee members, twelve applications were received for SSAC membership. The Committee conducted interviews on May 16th and May 18th. The Nominating Committee agreed on the following recommendations.

3. Appointments to the SSAC:

The SSAC recommended, and the LCOG Executive Committee has approved, the following individuals for appointment/re-appointment to the Senior Services Advisory Council, effective July 1, 2007:

- a. Current Advisory Council members re-appointed to the Council for three year terms (ending June 30, 2010):
 - Mae Westfall Cook (60+; Cottage Grove)
 - Mary Johnson (60+; Eugene)
 - Stephen Kraus (<60; Eugene)

- b. New applicants appointed to full membership on the Council for a three year term:
 - Rod Holst (60+, Eugene)
 - Betty Jane Shirley (60+, Eugene)
 - Dr. Dwayne (Sparky) Rice (60+, Eugene)
 - Kathy Mann (60+, Eugene)
 - Donna Peterson (<60; Eugene)

- c. Individuals appointed to one year terms as Community Representative Members of the Council:
 - Carmen Dake (<60, Cottage Grove)
 - Cathy Davenport (<60, Eugene)
 - Susan Busler (<60, Eugene)
 - Melissa Bowers (<60, Junction City)
 - Megan O'Connor (<60, Eugene)
 - Yvaughn Tompkins (<60, Eugene)
 - Mary Ellen Riley (<60, Eugene)