

**Agenda Item Number
3. B.**

**Appoint Members to the Senior and Disability
Services Advisory Councils**

Presenter: Ted Stevens

Action Recommended: Appoint Members to the Councils

Background:

Both of LCOG’s Advisory Councils that support Senior & Disabled Services operate on a July 1-June 30 year. The terms of most members on each Council are staggered. The Bylaws of both Councils allow members to serve up to six years. The length of a term on the Senior Council is three years, so members can serve two consecutive terms. In contrast, the length of a term on the Disability Council is two years. Therefore, DSAC members can serve up to three consecutive terms before “limiting” out.

This memo presents each Council’s recommendations to the Board regarding appointments that take effect on July 1, 2002. The membership report and recommendations for the Senior Services Advisory Council are presented first, followed by those for the Disability Services Advisory Council.

I. Appointments to the Senior Services Advisory Council:

- A. Membership Report: At present, there are twenty-one members on the Senior Services Advisory Council. (Note: The maximum number of members allowed is twenty-three.) On June 30, the terms of five “general” members will conclude. Three are eligible for reappointment. Of these, two—Carolee Smith and Jane Strasdas—are interested in reappointment. Assuming their reappointment, there will be five open seats for new members on July 1.

B. Recruitment Activities: Given the number of openings, the Council's Nominating Committee conducted an extensive recruitment process. Ten applications were received and reviewed. The Nominating Committee's recommendations were presented to the Senior Services Advisory Council on June 11. (A summary of the qualifications of the candidates is attached as Attachment #1.)

C. Requested Actions:

1. That the LCOG Board re-appoint the following Council members to three year terms (July 1, 2002--June 30, 2005):
Carolee Smith, Eugene (60+); and
Jane Strasdas, Eugene (60+).
2. That the Board appoint the following individuals to membership on the Senior Services Advisory Council for three year terms, commencing on July 1, 2002:
Jane Boren, <60, Eugene;
Marion Esty, 60+, Veneta;
Jean Jordon, 60+, Eugene;
Marian Lahr, 60+, Eugene;
Murray Petitt, <60, Eugene.
3. That the following individuals be appointed as Community Representative members to the Council's Standing Committees for one-year terms (July 2002 – June 2003):
Anne O'Brien, Eugene;
Rikki Rainey, Springfield;
Jonathan Ramey, Junction City;
Esther Sloan, Eugene; and
Steve Tibbetts, Albany (works in Eugene).

II. Appointments to the Disability Services Advisory Council:

A. Membership Report: Currently, there are fourteen members serving on the Disability Services Advisory Council. (The Council's Bylaws allow for between nine and fifteen members.) On June 30, the terms of four members will conclude, as follows:

<u>Member</u>	<u>Current Term</u>	<u>Eligible for Re-appointment</u>	<u>Interested in Re-appointment</u>
Kevin Angvick	1	Yes	No
Jeanne Barter	2	Yes	Yes
Luther Beecroft	2	Yes	Yes
Tracy Callaghan	1	Yes	No

Assuming the reappointment of the two individuals who are eligible and interested in reappointment, and assuming that the Council is brought up to full membership, there are three open seats to fill.

B. Recruitment Activities: The Council's Nominating Committee worked during April and early May to recruit candidates to fill available vacancies. Four applications for membership were received and reviewed. It recommended to the DSAC the appointment of three individuals. (Summaries of the qualifications of these candidates are furnished in Attachment #2.)

C. Requested Actions:

1. That the LCOG Board of Directors re-appoint the following current members to two year terms, ending June 30, 2004:
 Jeanne Barter, Eugene; and
 Luther Beecroft, Eugene.
2. That the LCOG Board of Directors appoint the following new members to the Council for two year terms, ending June 30, 2004:
 Dan Arkin, Eugene
 Mary Feldman, Eugene; and
 Joann Scheck, Eugene;

Summary of Qualifications of the Candidate for Appointment to the SSAC

SSAC MEMBERS:

Jane Boren, Eugene: Ms. Boren is registered nurse who worked in long term care from 1973 through 1994, and home health and hospice services from 1994 through 1997. Ms. Boren currently owns and operates a medical equipment and nurse consulting company in Springfield. She is a member of LTD's Special Transportation Advisory Council, and has been active in many local and state professional groups and service organizations. She has lived in Lane County for 31 years.

Marion Esty, Veneta: Ms. Esty is a member of the Veneta City Council, an alternate member of the LCOG Board of Directors, a member of the Governor's Commission on Senior Services, and a former member of LCOG's Senior Services Advisory Council. Ms. Esty is a social worker by training and prior to retirement was the Executive Director of a school for educationally handicapped children. Ms. Esty has lived in Lane County for 13 years.

Jean Jordan, Eugene: Ms. Jordan is employed by Lane Community College, as the Director of the Senior Companion Program. She is a gerontologist and educator, and has focused on aging concerns for the past 20 years. Ms. Jordan serves on LCC's Advisory Council for the Center for Leisure and Learning and on McKenzie-Willamette Home Care Services' Advisory Board.

Marian Lahr, Eugene: Ms. Lahr is a former employee of LCOG's Senior Meals Program. Prior to retirement in 1999, Ms. Lahr served as the Administrative Assistant to the Program. Since retirement, she has been an active volunteer and participant at OASIS, and has participated in several health programs sponsored by the YMCA. When she lived in the Ashland area, she served on the boards of the United Way and the YMCA. Ms. Lahr lives near Crow in rural Lane County.

Murray Petitt, Eugene: Mr. Petitt is an attorney with Thorp Purdy Jewett Urness & Wilkinson in Springfield. Prior to becoming an attorney, Mr. Petitt practiced as a Registered Nurse. Mr. Petitt is on the Boards of Directors of the Springfield Museum and the Center for Community Counseling. Mr. Petitt has lived in Lane County for 9 years.

COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVE MEMBERS:

Anne O'Brien, Eugene: Ms. O'Brien is a current Community Representative Member on the Council's Planning and Budget Committee. In her professional life, Ms. O'Brien is a Registered Nurse and administrator of nursing programs. At present, she is a nursing instructor with Lane Community College. Prior to joining the faculty at LCC, she was the Director of Sacred Heart Hospital's Home Health Services.

Rikki Rainey, Springfield: Ms. Rainey owns and operates a professional guardian-conservator service in Springfield. Most of her clients are elderly. She works closely with Senior & Disabled Services, the courts, attorneys, physicians, and long term care facilities. Ms. Rainey has lived in Lane County for 10 years.

Jonathan Ramey, Junction City: Mr. Ramey is the Administrator of Grandview Rehabilitation Center (nursing home) in Junction City. Prior to joining the staff at Grandview in 2001, he worked for two different long-term care facilities in Lincoln County, Oregon, and for social services agencies in Wisconsin and Alaska. Mr. Ramey grew up in Lane County, leaving in 1975 for employment.

Esther Sloan, Eugene: Ms. Sloan is a former Senior Services Advisory Council member who is interested and willing to return as a Community Representative member of the Council's Procurement and Monitoring Committee. Prior to retirement, Ms. Sloan was a registered dietician and during the 1980s was the Director of the Senior Meals Program in Burbank, California.

Steve Tibbetts, Albany: Mr. Tibbetts is the Director of Marketing for Prime Time, a senior retirement facility in north Eugene. He is relatively new to senior services, having spent much of his career in sales. While he currently lives in Albany, he plans to relocate to Lane County in the very near future.

Summary of Qualifications of Candidates for Appointment to the DSAC

1. Dan Arkin, Eugene: Mr. Arkin is an individual with a disability. He has lived in Lane County for three years. He was a practicing attorney for 12 years and has completed all course work for a Master's Degree in Rehabilitation Counseling. Mr. Arkin is the president of LILA (Lane Independent Living Alliance), a recently organized private non-profit independent living center serving people with disabilities who reside in Lane County.
2. Mary Feldman, Eugene: Ms. Feldman works for the City of Eugene. Among her various duties, she serves as the City's ADA Coordinator and staffs the Accessibility Committee of the City's Human Rights Commission. In these roles, she consults, advises and advocates on local accessibility issues for people with disabilities. Ms. Feldman also serves on the Executive Board of Mobility International USA.
3. Joann Scheck: Ms. Scheck is a psychologist and educator. She works for LaneCare, Lane County's mental health managed care organization. She has 30 years experience working with clients with a variety of physical and mental health disabilities. In addition to her professional qualifications, Ms. Scheck served as the primary caregiver for her mother who lived with her for several years and required kidney dialysis. Ms. Scheck has lived in Lane County for eleven years.