



September 30, 2010

TO: LCOG Executive Committee

FROM: Kay Metzger for the Disability Services Advisory Council (DSAC)

SUBJECT: Action on Candidates for Appointment to the Council

**Background:**

The Disability Services Advisory Council operates on an October 1 - September 30 yearly cycle. The terms of most members on the council are staggered. The Disability Services Advisory Council Bylaws allow members to serve up to six years. The length of a term is two years; therefore members can serve three consecutive terms before “limiting” out.

This memo presents the Disability Services Advisory Council’s recommendations to the Board Executive Committee regarding appointments that take effect on October 1, 2010. The Council met on Friday September 10, 2010 and approved the following recommendations.

1. Status: The DSAC By-laws state the Council is to be composed of no fewer than nine and no more than fifteen persons. Of its members, thirteen are to be “general members”; one to two members are to be liaison representatives from LCOG’s Senior Services Advisory Council. Additionally, up to four Community Representatives may be appointed. The membership of the 2009-10 DSAC totaled 13 general members, with an additional member serving as the liaison from the Senior Services Advisory Council. There were three Community Representatives for 2009-10.

On September 30 of this year, the terms of five members will conclude. Details on the status of these members appear below:

<u>Person</u>	<u>Current Term</u>	<u>Eligible for Re-appointment</u>	<u>Interested in Re-appointment</u>
Bruce Abel	1	Yes	Yes
Dawn Aubrey	1	Yes	Yes
Trescott Ducker	2	No	No
Ed Necker	3	No	N/A
Diane Rogers	1	Yes	Yes

2. Membership Needs for 2010-11:

As the chart above represents, three of the five members whose terms are expiring are eligible and interested in re-appointment. In addition to those members whose terms are expiring an additional two members, Trescott Ducker and Melissa Mona, have resigned from the DSAC. Assuming the Council wishes to operate at full capacity, there are a total of seven (7) full DSAC positions vacant with terms that would end September 2012.

**Recruitment and Screening Activities:**

At its July meeting, the Nominating Committee agreed upon activities for recruitment of new members. Committee members were encouraged to actively participate in recruitment. S&DS staff made contact with local human service agencies that serve the disabled population and broadly distributed the membership. The Nominating Committee met on Monday August 30<sup>th</sup> to interview the new prospective candidates. At the conclusion of these interviews, the Committee formulated its recommendations, which were approved at the September 10<sup>th</sup> meeting of the DSAC.

**Recommendations/Requested Actions:**

The DSAC recommends to the LCOG Executive Committee that it approve the following individuals for appointment/re-appointment to the Disability Services Advisory Council, effective October 1, 2010:

1. That the following current Advisory Council members be re-appointed to the Council for two year terms (ending September 30, 2012):
  - Bruce Abel
  - Dawn Aubrey
  - Diane Rogers
2. That the following Community Representative be appointed to membership on the Council, effective October 1, 2010:
  - Linda Hamilton
3. That the following new applicants be appointed to membership on the Council, effective October 1, 2010:
  - David Balthrop
  - Christine Riley
  - Stephen W. Pickett
4. That the following individuals be appointed to one year Community Representative Member positions on the Council, effective October 1, 2010
  - Terry Parker

Please see below for a summary of qualifications of applicants for membership on the

DSAC.

**Summary of Qualification of Applicants for Membership  
on the  
Disability Services Advisory Council  
October 2010**

**New Candidates Recommended for Appointment to the Council**

***Stephen Picket***

Mr. Picket has over 20 years experience working with people with disabilities. Most recently he has worked for the University of Oregon as the Director of Academic Advising for Disability Services. He is originally from Texas where he was very active as a community volunteer. He served on the United Way Budget Committee and as a Board Member for Services for Aging Needs (SPAN). Mr. Picket has a Masters in Rehabilitation Counseling and is eager to share his expertise and experience with the community. By serving on DSAC he hopes to become more aware of current services. His interests are in Long Term Care and Advocacy.

***Christine Riley***

Ms. Riley works for Lane Independent Living Alliance (LILA). She started as a volunteer logging over 1,000 hours before being hired as a permanent employee. She works with people with disabilities to live independently and secure the necessary resources to accomplish their goals. Ms. Riley has over 12 years experience working in group homes for people with disabilities, nursing homes and home health care. She is very involved in the disability community and her passion carries into many aspects of her life. She also volunteers with Homeless Connect and Veterans Stand Down. She is very interested in advocating for people with disabilities to find jobs, housing and other resources that they may need.

***David Balthrop***

Mr. Balthrop works directly with people with physical and developmental disabilities through Mentor Oregon. He has served in the Air Force and spent most of his career in restaurant management. He is especially concerned about looming funding issues, how services can be preserved and what this means to Lane County in the future. Mr. Balthrop holds a BA in Political Science. He is interested in bringing his skills to the table to share his enthusiasm and voice of common sense to advocate for people with disabilities.