

EUGENE CITY COUNCIL

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY



Appointment to Lane Workforce Partnership

Meeting Date: September 10, 2012
Department: City Manager's Office
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Agenda Item Number: 2D
Staff Contact: Beth Forrest
Contact Telephone Number: 541-682-5882

ISSUE STATEMENT

This is an action item to appoint a member to the Lane Workforce Partnership (LWP).

BACKGROUND

The Workforce Investment Act of 1998 requires that local workforce investment boards, i.e., the Lane Workforce Partnership Board of Directors, be comprised of a majority of members from businesses. Business representation must be owners of businesses, chief executives, or operating officers of business or employers with optimum policy-making or hiring authority; represent businesses with employment opportunities that reflect the employment opportunities of the local area, and are appointed from among individuals nominated by local business organizations, such as the Eugene Chamber and business trade associations.

The Lane Workforce Partnership, formerly known as the Southern Willamette Private Industry Council, is dedicated to assisting employers recruit and retain employees and to help individuals find employment and to progress in their careers.

Current membership includes 15 members, including one elected official and seven business representatives. The business representatives are recommended by the Eugene Area Chamber of Commerce to the Mayor, who nominates candidates who are then confirmed by the City Council.

The term for this position will begin immediately upon appointment on September 10, 2012, and will expire June 30, 2015.

RELATED CITY POLICIES

The boards, committees and commissions serve as advisory bodies to the City Council in the development of various City policies.

COUNCIL OPTIONS

The City Council can vote to approve the nominee; request additional information or background on the nominee and delay the vote, or reject the nominee and reopen the recruitment.

CITY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION

The City Manager has no recommendation on this item; the appointments are made by the council.

SUGGESTED MOTIONS

There is one vacancy for a business representative on the LWP, due to the expiration of a term. The Mayor interviewed the candidate and recommends the following:

Move to appoint Johan Denecke to the Lane Workforce Partnership for a term beginning September 10, 2012, and ending on December 31, 2015.

ATTACHMENT

A. Letter from LWP and Applicant Information

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Staff Contact: Beth Forrest
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Staff E-Mail: beth.l.forrest@ci.eugene.or.us



LANE WORKFORCE PARTNERSHIP
1500 Valley River Drive • Suite 150 • Eugene, OR 97401

August 2, 2012

Beth Forrest
Mayor's Office
City of Eugene
777 Pearl Street, Room 105
Eugene, OR 97401-2793

Dear Beth:

The Lane Workforce Partnership board of directors has recruited a new member to its board. The Lane Workforce Partnership requests appointment of Johan Denecke, Director of Operations for Life Technologies. Enclosed is his completed City of Eugene application.

The Workforce Investment Act of 1998 requires that local workforce investment boards, i.e., the Lane Workforce Partnership board of directors, be comprised of a majority from business. Business representation must be owners of businesses, chief executives, or operating officers of business or employers with optimum policymaking or hiring authority; represent businesses with employment opportunities that reflect the employment opportunities of the local area and; are appointed from among individuals nominated by local business organizations, i.e., the Eugene Chamber, and business trade associations.

We are requesting the Eugene City Council appoint Johan Denecke to serve on the Lane Workforce Partnership board of directors from August 2, 2012 through December 31, 2015.

If you have any questions concerning the nomination process, please call me at 682-7228 or email lonnieb@laneworkforce.org

Sincerely,

Lonnie Bivins
Manager, Communications and Board Relations

Enclosure

APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT TO CITIZEN ADVISORY BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS



Name of Board, Commission, or Committee LANE WORKFORCE PARTNERSHIP

Please print or type

Name JOHAN CARL DENECKE
First Middle Last

Home Address 2245 W 27th AVE EUGENE 97405
Street City Zip

Home Telephone 541-393-8000 Daytime Telephone 541-335-0201

Do you reside within the city limits? Yes No If yes, how long? 2.5 years

City Council Ward _____ Neighborhood Organization _____

Occupation/Place of Employment LIFE TECHNOLOGIES

Business Address 29851 Willow Creek Rd, Eugene 97402

Fax number (if applicable) _____ Email (if applicable) Johan.denecke@lifetech.com

How did you learn of this vacancy? Newspaper Word of Mouth Mail Web page

Other source _____

NOTE: Information consisting of home addresses and phone numbers may be exempt from disclosure per ORS 192.502(3).

OPTIONAL INFORMATION

The Eugene City Council supports diversity and seeks to appoint persons who represent the diversity of the community. By providing the information below, you can help the City Council to know if the appointments match the diversity of the community. Applicants are considered without regard to race, sex, color, national origin, age, religion, marital status, medical condition, or disability. In some instances, however, appointment to certain boards/commissions may be based upon the need to fill specific positions on the board/commission.

- Male Female
- 18 and under 19-25 26-35 36-45 46-55 56-65 66 +
- African American American Indian/Alaskan Native Asian/Pacific Islander Hispanic
- Middle Eastern White/European American Multiracial
- Disability? Yes No If yes, please describe _____
- Fluent in language(s) other than English? Yes No If yes, please list SWEDISH

1. What experience, training, and/or qualifications do you have for this particular board or commission?

I have 20 years of experience in various engineering and manufacturing roles. This broad based experience and leadership roles enables me to contribute in terms of skills req'd for workforce success, training methods that create skills, how to develop effective strategy, how to innovate and develop impactful programs, and how to manage change.

2. What specific contribution do you hope to make to the board or commission? Why do you want to become a member?

I have a strong passion for employee/workforce development and the use of best in class/world class manufacturing to secure jobs in the USA and develop a strong middle class. My back ground and demonstrated success in business performance improvement will add value to the development of our existing and future workforce.

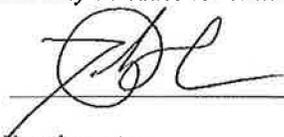
NOTE: To allow a large number of citizens to serve on boards and commissions, the City Council policy allows individuals to serve on only one standing board or commission at a time. A current member of a board/commission who is a successful applicant for another board/commission will be required to choose between the two appointments. This policy does not apply to ad hoc committees or departmental committees or positions that are designated for members of specific advisory group (e.g. the Human Rights Commission member assigned to the Police Commission).

CITY COUNCIL POLICY REGARDING REAPPOINTMENT TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

1. Members of city advisory groups may serve a maximum of two consecutive terms when the length of the term is three years or more. Individuals serving terms less than three years will be limited to a total of six consecutive years of service.
2. The deadline for applications from incumbents is the same as the deadline for new applications.
3. An individual may reapply for appointment to a board or commission after at least a one year hiatus from service.
4. City of Eugene employees may not serve on City of Eugene boards or commissions except as specifically provided by the City Code, or as required to perform official duties.

Information submitted on this application is public information. The information provided herein is true and complete. A false or misleading statement may be cause for elimination from consideration.

Signature of Applicant



Date

6/7/2012

Return completed applications to:

City Manager's Office

777 Pearl Street, Room 105

Eugene, OR 97401

541-682-5010

541-682-5414 (Fax) (Applications may be faxed)

For more information, visit our web site at www.eugene-or.gov