

First 5 Commission of San Diego
 January 23, 2012
Proposed Appointees for the First 5 Commission of San Diego
Technical and Professional Advisory Committee (TPAC) for 2012 – 2013

Request

On behalf of the Board of Supervisors, Commission staff is requesting that the Commission:

- 1) Approve the proposed appointees to serve on the Commission’s Technical Professional Advisory Committee (TPAC) for a two year period commencing January 2012;
- 2) Appoint Commissioner Carol Skiljan as Chair of TPAC for the 2012 calendar year.

Background

The Technical and Professional Advisory Committee (TPAC) consists of up to 11 members. TPAC members are comprised of residents of the County of San Diego, and include individuals with “*specialized knowledge and experience in the areas of community needs assessment, health and social services program evaluation or child care, education, health and social services program administration.*” [By-laws, Section 9(A)(1)(a)]. The Technical and Professional Advisory Committee (TPAC) is an advisory body to the Commission and has several roles, including advising the Commission concerning services or programs to be implemented and supported through the Commission’s Strategic Plan. Of the 11 members of TPAC, six are community members, and five are appointed by the Board of Supervisors (one from each district). In accordance with the Commission’s by-laws, “*Members of the Board of Supervisors shall each nominate one person from their district to serve two-year terms commencing in even numbered years*” [By-laws, Section 9(A)(1)(a)].

TPAC Operating Rules and Procedures state “the Commission shall appoint one of its members as Chair of the Advisory Committee annually at the December meeting.” [Section 6(A)].

For this recruitment the five Board of Supervisor district appointment positions were open. Commission By-laws state that TPAC members may only serve two consecutive two year terms. Each of the current TPAC members whose terms are expiring are eligible to reapply. In accordance with the Commission’s By-laws, district appointees selected through this application process will serve for a period of two years commencing in January 2012 and ending in December 2013 (if they have not termed out).

Proposed Appointees

The slate of nominees for the two-year term commencing in January 2012 is presented in the table below. It includes two current members being re-appointed. Although each candidate offers several areas of expertise, the candidates’ strongest areas and those that would complement TPAC’s composition are highlighted. An additional table includes the current community TPAC members so the Commission can view the full composition of the TPAC (if the slate of nominees is approved) and the balance of specialties amongst all the members.

The Supervisor for District 3 has identified a potential member that is currently reviewing a list of the contractors that the Commission has contracted with to determine if there are any conflict of interest issues. Commission staff is working with the Board offices for district 1 and 5 to identify a candidate. It is anticipated that the nominees for these two districts will be brought to the Commission in March for approval.

Current Appointees	Key Strength/Expertise	Name
Chair Appointee	Early Care & Education	Carol Skiljan - Chair
District 1	Vacant	Vacant
District 2	Health Care Administration	Bob Yarris (re-appointment)
District 3	pending	Application is pending review
District 4	Health Care Administration, Parent of child 0 - 5	Karma Bass (re-appointment)
District 5	Vacant	Vacant

Current Community TPAC Members

Nominees	Key Strength/Expertise	Title/Employer
Lindsey Wade	Policy & Advocacy	Director, Health Policy & Patient Safety, Hospital Association of San Diego and Imperial Counties
Philip Ziring, MD	Child Health, Special Needs	Retired Pediatrician, Medical Consultant
Nedra Bickel	Early Education, Parent Education	Facilitator, Parent Institute for Quality Education
Jo Ann DeLeon, LCSW	Early Childhood Behavioral Health Previous Director - First 5 HDS South Region	Assistant Executive Director Maloney-Wilding Foundation for Children and Teens
Elizabeth Marucheau	Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health	Administrator and Lecturer SDSU School of Social Work
Aimee Zeitz	Child Abuse Prevention, Parent of child 0 - 5	Community Impact Manager United Way of San Diego County

Staff Recommendation

- Approve the following appointees to serve on the Commission’s Technical Professional Advisory Committee for a two year period commencing January 2012.
 - a. Karma Bass. Appointment to end 11-16-2013 (end of eligibility for TPAC membership).
 - b. Robert Yarris. Appointment to end 9-16-2013 (end of eligibility for TPAC membership).
- Appoint Commissioner Skiljan to Chair the Technical and Professional Advisory Committee for the 2012 calendar year.

Fiscal Impact

None