



COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

AGENDA ITEM NO.

C-13

For the meeting of: January 3, 2017

Date: December 1, 2016
To: Board of Supervisors
From: Amy S. Nilsen, County Administrative Officer *AN*
Subject: Appointment of Law Library Trustees

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Appoint Jeffrey Blanck to serve as an *ex officio* member of the Law Library Trustees at the request of the Chair of the Board of Supervisors; and
2. Appoint Maggie Fleming and Cyndy Day-Wilson to the Board of Law Library Trustees.

SOURCE OF FUNDING: Trust Fund (Court Filing Fees)

DISCUSSION:

Pursuant to Sections 6300 *et seq.* of the California Business & Professions Code (B&P), each county in the state has a law library which is governed by a Board of Trustees. That Board, under B&P § 6301, consists of both judges—elected by their peers on the Superior Court bench—and members appointed by the county Board of Supervisors.

Prepared by Elishia Hayes

CAO Approval *Cheryl Dillingham*

REVIEW:

Auditor _____ County Counsel *JD*

Human Resources _____

Other _____

TYPE OF ITEM:

☒ Consent
☐ Departmental
☐ Public Hearing
☐ Other _____

PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:

Board Order No. C-3

Meeting of: 1/6/15

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

Upon motion of Supervisor *Sundberg* Seconded by Supervisor *Fennell*

Ayes *Sundberg, Fennell, Bass, Bohn, Wilson*
Nays _____
Abstain _____
Absent _____

and carried by those members present, the Board hereby approves the recommended action contained in this Board report.

Dated: *Jan. 3, 2017*

By: *Kathy Hayes*
Kathy Hayes, Clerk of the Board

One of the Trustee positions is specifically reserved for the Chair of the Board of Supervisors, as an *ex officio* member of the Board of Trustees. However, the Chair may, under B&P § 6301 (a) (4), ask the Board of Supervisors to appoint someone else to serve in this position. In 2016, County Counsel served as the *ex officio* member in lieu of the Board Chair. County Counsel Jeffrey Blanck has indicated his willingness to continue assuming this role.

The two Board appointees (excluding the *ex officio* member) can be any two members of the State Bar, although for several years the practice has been to appoint heads of county legal departments. Since Jan. 6, 2015, District Attorney Maggie Fleming has served as the Board's appointee. Ms. Fleming has indicated her willingness to serve an additional term. Currently, the position of Public Defender remains vacant. In order to fill the remaining seat, staff recommends appointing Eureka City Attorney Cyndy Day-Wilson to that seat; Ms. Day-Wilson has served as a member since January 6, 2015 and has indicated her willingness to continue serving.

Appointments by the Board of Supervisors are for one-year terms, and are to be made at the first meeting of the Board each January, pursuant to B&P § 6302. Accordingly, staff asks that your Board appoint Mr. Blanck as the *ex officio* member in lieu of the Board Chair and Ms. Fleming and Ms. Day-Wilson as the two Board appointees.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: N/A

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT: Superior Court

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

As noted, the Board could appoint any other members of the State Bar and the Board Chair could serve in the *ex officio* position.

ATTACHMENTS: None.