



COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

For the meeting of: 3/26/2020

File #: 20-246

To: Board of Supervisors

From: County Administrative Office

Agenda Section: Consent

SUBJECT:

New Appointment to the Humboldt County Workforce Development Board (HC-WDB)

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Review the attached membership applications for Susan Seaman; and
2. Appoint Susan Seaman to the HC-WDB for a 2-year term effective immediately and pursuant to WDB By-Laws.

SOURCE OF FUNDING:

Budget Unit 1120 287- Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Funds

DISCUSSION:

The WDB is a commission appointed by the Board of Supervisors that is required by the WIOA to oversee said funds and the workforce system in Humboldt County, the Local Workforce Development Area. The mission of the HC-WDB is to bring together resources to meet employer and employee needs and advance the prosperity of local communities. WIOA requires certain public agencies and labor unions be appointed members of the HC-WDB.

The HC-WDB Executive Committee received and reviewed an application to fill a current vacancy and recommended appointment of the applicants at the February 14th, 2020 meeting. Susan Seaman was nominated by Arcata Economic Development Corporation. This appointment represents the public sector. The proposed appointment is in accordance with current HC-WDB By-Laws.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

There is minimal financial impact to appoint Susan Seaman to the HC-WDB. However, HC-WDB serves as an advisory body for WIOA funding and the members who comprise the HC-WDB committee have significant input on funding allocations. The HC-WDB will recommend approximately \$3.9 million in funding in fiscal year 2019-2020.

STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK:

This action supports your Board's Strategic Framework by supporting business, workforce development and creation of private-sector jobs .

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

N/A

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Your Board may choose not to appoint these individuals and instead direct the HC-WDB to conduct an additional search for applicants. This action is not recommended as these applicants have already been vetted through the appropriate process as directed by the HC-WDB By-Laws.

ATTACHMENTS:

Susan Seaman's HC-WDB Application for Appointment

PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:

Board Order No.: N/A

Meeting of: N/A

File No.: N/A