

WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD



ACTION ITEM #1.2

SUBMITTAL DATE: August 19, 2009

SUBJECT: Appointment of a member to the Council for Youth Development

RECOMMENDATION: That the Workforce Investment Board Executive Committee approves the appointment of Charles Walker and Ivy Jackson.

BACKGROUND:

After graduating from the University of New Mexico, Charles worked for U.S. Senator Pete V. Domenici in New Mexico and in Washington DC. Next, he was appointed by the Governor of New Mexico as the Public Information Officer for the State Department of Labor, after which the Secretary of Labor asked him to lead the Youth Employment Initiative for Sandoval County. Charles eventually moved to the nonprofit world where he led a division of a large statewide organization that specialized in adolescent and family crisis intervention. While enrolled in graduate school at Harvard University, Charles created a nonprofit, community-based, behavioral management program for youth and adolescents. After a couple of years, Charles was recruited by the city of Cambridge, MA, to take the lead on youth program hires and out-of-school-time enrichment programs. Still with the city of Cambridge, Charles took on the role of Employment Manager, responsible for several aspects of employment services for over 2000 employees. Currently, Charles holds the position of Human Services Manager for Temecula, where he and his staff have created enrichment, recreation, and employment programs for the city's youth.

Ivy received a Bachelor's and Master's Degree in Social Work at San Diego State University. Over eleven years Ivy worked in the arena of child/family welfare social service field, and gained in-depth experience. Ivy is well versed in current policies and best practice protocols concerning child welfare practices. Ivy is universal in knowledge of children advocacy work. Mrs. Jackson is keenly aware of the cultural factors in child rearing practice and family values. Ivy's effective relations with all interested parties at various levels will ensure that children's needs are met, and will further ensure the quality of service provided for our children.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE Date: August 19, 2009 Approval: Yes/No	BOARD OF SUPERVISORS CONCURRENCE Required: Yes/No
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