

**Youth Council
Consent Item
March 11, 2015
REVISED**

AGENDA ITEM NUMBER: 3.3 Revised

ITEM: Appointment of Dr. Martin L. Meltz to the Youth Council

ACTION REQUIRED:

- 1.) Appoint Dr. Martin L. Meltz to the Youth Council

SUMMARY NARRATIVE:

Section 117(h) of the Workforce Investment Act outlines criteria for membership on the Youth Council of the Workforce Investment Board (WIB). Membership on the Youth Council shall include:

- members of the WIB with a special interest or expertise in youth policy;
- representatives of youth service agencies, including juvenile justice and law enforcement agencies;
- representatives of local public housing agencies;
- parents of eligible youth seeking assistance;
- individuals, including former participants, and
- representatives of organizations that have experience relating to youth activities.

The Workforce Investment Act requires that each local WIB establish the Youth Council as a subgroup of the WIB and that members are to be appointed by the WIB. The applicant below meets the WIA Youth Council criteria for membership.

Dr. Martin L. Meltz is a retired Biomedical Research Scientist from the Department of Radiation Oncology at the University of Texas Health Science Center, San Antonio. He also acquired a Post Doctorate degree on AEC Laboratory of Radiology at the University of California, San Francisco and a Ph.D. on Radiation Biophysics at the University of Rochester.

Dr. Meltz has the following experience in educational systems in Texas: Past President of the San Antonio Association for Gifted and Talented Children; past member of the Board of Directors, St. Mary's University *Forum on Entrepreneurship*; and a former Legislative Chairman for the Northside Independent School District's *Council of PTAs*. Dr. Meltz is also the co-founder and past president of Beam Tech Corporation, and founder and past president of HazMat Services, in San Antonio, TX.

Martin is a current member of the Chamber of Commerce in San Luis Obispo, Pismo Beach, Arroyo Grande and Grover Beach. He also participates in the Data and Finance, Youth and Housing Committees of the Homeless Services Oversight Council (HSOC) in San Luis Obispo. Additionally, he serves on the Adult and Youth Committees of the Behavioral Health Board of San Luis Obispo County and the Budget and Finance Committee of Transitional Food and Shelter (TFS) programs.

BUDGET/FINANCIAL IMPACT:

No current fiscal impact

STAFF COMMENTS:

It is recommended that the Youth Council accept the appointment of Dr. Meltz to the Youth Council. Dr. Meltz' participation on local boards addressing the needs of homeless youth and youth with disabilities in San Luis Obispo County will support the Youth Council in identifying the employment and education needs of these at-risk populations and further support outreach and service delivery to WIA eligible youth.