TO: The Honorable the Members of the Board of Regents
FROM: Kevin G. Smith
SUBJECT: Appointments to the New York State Rehabilitation Council
DATE: December 10, 2012
AUTHORIZATION(S): [Signature]

SUMMARY

Issue for Decision (Consent Agenda)

Vacancies have occurred on the New York State Rehabilitation Council (SRC). Board of Regents approval of proposed appointments and reappointments of members to the SRC.

Reason(s) for Consideration

The 1992 Amendments to the Rehabilitation Act, as amended, require the Board of Regents to appoint members to the New York State Rehabilitation Council (SRC).

Proposed Handling

Approval by the Full Board of Regents.

Procedural History

Each year, as vacancies occur, the Board of Regents approves recommendations to fill such vacancies.

Background Information

Information on the proposed appointees is noted in Attachment 1 and a list of the entire SRC is noted in Attachment 2.
**Recommendation**

**VOTED:** that Martha Kearns Jackson, Beatrice Schmidt, C. William Schultz and Chad Underwood, be appointed for a three-year term beginning January 1, 2013 and ending December 31, 2015.

**VOTED:** that Patricia Dowse and Brett Eisenberg be reappointed for a three year term beginning January 1, 2013 and ending December 31, 2015.

**Timetable for Implementation**

Upon approval by the Regents of the recommended candidates, appointments will go into effect January 1, 2013.

Attachments
New York State Rehabilitation Council
(New Appointments for the term January 1, 2013 to December 31, 2015)

Representatives of the Disability Advocates Groups:

Beatrice Schmidt
150 Argyle Road
Brooklyn, NY 11218
(718) 807-5668
- New York State Developmental Disabilities Planning Council (DDPC) Council Member formulating policies and programs according to the state plan that allow children and adults with developmental disabilities to be productive members of society and educating the public about the needs of individuals with developmental disabilities

Representative of Community Rehabilitation Service Providers:

Chad W. Underwood
3818 Deerfield Heights
Cortland, New York 13045
(917) 756-1775
- Current Chief Operating Officer, Program Manager Access to Independence of Cortland County, Inc. – Cortland, New York
- Serves on community, regional and State Boards of Directors, Advisory Boards and Committees (Treasurer of New York State Independent Living Council - NYSILC)

C. William Schultz
217 Crosby Avenue
Kenmore, New York 14217
(716) 874-5378
- PEOPLE, Inc., Program Director - Vocational/Employment Programs
- Responsible for overall/day to day operations of the Delaware Day Skills and CAPP Programs, Supported Employment Programs, Transition (School to Work) and Job Placement and Vocational Evaluations. Responsible for local WIB and other Assessment, Job Placement and Retention Services.

Representative of Business, Industry and Labor:

Martha Kearns Jackson
210 West 101st Street
New York, New York 10025
(718) 777-4209
- Goodwill Of Greater New York and Northern New Jersey, Currently: Director New Initiatives and Business Partnerships NY NJ
Recipient of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act for Innovate Training and Placement Program. Created onsite training and customer service call center in LIC; partnered with employers in travel and hospitality industries to hire individuals who are blind or visually impaired

New Interagency Ex-Officio Representatives:

Anna Lobosco
- New York State Developmental Disabilities Planning Council, 99 Washington Avenue, 12th Floor, Suite 1230, Albany, NY 12210

Ceylane Myers Ruff
- New York State Office for Persons with Developmental Disabilities, 44 Holland Avenue, Albany, NY 12229
State Rehabilitation Council
(Term Expirations)

Representative of the Statewide Independent Living Council (NYSILC)

2013 Wendy Strobel, Director, Northeast ADA Center Disability and Business Technical Assistance Center (DBTAC) Cornell University, 203 ILR Extension Building, Ithaca, NY 14853

Representative of the Client Assistance Program (CAP)

2015 Lisa Rosano, Coordinator, NYS Client Assistance Program, 401 State Street, Schenectady, NY 12305

Representative of a Parent Training and Information Center established pursuant to the Individuals with Disability Education Act (IDEA)

2013 Susan Barlow, Director of Parent Training, Parent Network of WNY, 5 Frontenac Avenue, Buffalo, NY 14216

2014 Lourdes Rivera-Putz, Executive Director, United We Stand Of New York, 91 Harrison Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11206

Certified vocational rehabilitation counselors

2014 Tamar Asedo-Sherman, Employment Specialist, Nassau BOCES, 24 Fransal Court, Northport, NY 11768-2901


Representatives of community rehabilitation program service providers

2013 Lisa Bayer, Deputy Director of Community Services, LDA Life and Learning Services, 339 East Avenue, Suite 420, Rochester, NY 14625

2014 Michael Irwin, Program Director, Greater Syracuse Works, 516 Burt Street, Syracuse, NY 13202

2014 Fredda Rosen, Executive Director, Job Path, 22 West 38th Street, 11th Floor, New York, NY 10018

2013 Mira L. Bowin, One Columbia Place, Albany, NY 12207

Representatives of business, industry, and labor

2014 Angella Luyk, Owner, Midnight Janitorial, Inc., 96 Doris Road, Rochester, NY 14622
2014 Kyle Goodridge, Vice President, Equal Employment/Affirmative Action Manager, Citigroup, 77-11 35th Avenue, 1R, Jackson Heights, NY 11372

2014 Craig Wolfson, Esq., Rosicki, Rosicki & Associates, 44 Manhattan Avenue, Westbury, NY 11590

Representatives of disability advocacy groups

2014 Gregory Bell, Executive Director, Insight for New Housing, 905 Eagle Avenue, Apt. #4M, Bronx, NY 10456

2014 Shameka Andrews, Co-Administrative Director of Policy, Self Advocacy Association, 500 Balltown Rd, Building 12, Schenectady, NY 12304

2015 Patricia Dowse, Chief Operating Officer, New York State Rehabilitation Association, 203 Shereen Court, Schenectady, NY 12304

2014 Roger Purdy, Director, Disability Support Services, LeMoyne College, 4158 Cherrywood Drive, Syracuse, NY 13215

2014 Cynthia C. Printup-Harms, OAHII Director 3108 Main Street Buffalo, NY 14214-1384

2014 Lourdes Rosa-Carrasquillo, Esq., Director of Advocacy/Community Organizer, Center for Independence of the Disabled, 17 Gates Avenue, 2nd Floor, Montclair, NJ 07042

Current or former applicants for, or recipients of, vocational rehabilitation services

2015 Brett Eisenberg, Executive Director, Bronx Independent Living Services, 2600 Netherland Avenue, Apartment 202, Bronx, NY 10463

Representative of Native American Projects (Section 121)

2014 Nicole David, Administrative Assistant, St. Regis Mohawk Tribe, P.O. Box 362, Rooseveltown, NY 13683

Representative of the state educational agency responsible for the public education of students with disabilities who are eligible to receive services

2013 Sophie McDermott, New York State Education Department, Special Education, 89 Washington Avenue, Albany, NY 12234

Representative of the State Workforce Investment Board

Vacant
Continuing Ex-Officio

Rosemary Lamb, Director, Division of Interagency Affairs, New York State Commission on Quality of Care and Advocacy for Persons with Disabilities, 401 State Street, Schenectady, NY 12305

Douglas Ruderman, Rehabilitation and Recovery Services, New York State Department Office of Mental Health, 44 Holland Avenue, Albany, NY 12229

MaryAnn Van Alstyne, Associate Rehabilitation Counselor, New York State Office of Children and Family Services, Commission for the Blind and Visually Handicapped, Capital View Office Park, South Building, Room 201, 52 Washington Street, Rensselaer, NY 12144