Advisory Group Application

Step 1

Application for Appointment to Whatcom County Advisory Groups

Public Statement

THIS IS A PUBLIC DOCUMENT: As a candidate for a public advisory group, the information provided will be available to the County Council, County Executive, and the public. All advisory group members are expected to be fair, impartial, and respectful of the public, County staff, and each other. Failure to abide by these expectations may result in revocation of appointment and removal from the appointive position.

Title	Mr.
First Name	James
Last Name	Bauckman
Today's Date	11/21/2024
Street Address	
City	
Zip	
Do you live in Whatcom County?	Yes
Do you have a different mailing address?	Field not completed.
Primary Telephone	
Secondary Telephone	Field not completed.
Email Address	
Step 2	
Name of Advisory	Business and Commerce Advisory Committee

Group

Business and Commerce Advisory Committee Positions	Childcare
2. Do you meet the residency, employment, and/or affiliation requirements of the position for which you're applying?	Yes
3. Which Council district do you live in?	District 4
4. Have you ever been a member of this Advisory Group	No
5. Do you or your spouse have a financial interest in or are you an employee or officer of any business or agency that does business with Whatcom County?	Yes
If yes, please explain	I work for a nonprofit called Peace Centers and we work in the childcare industry. The nonprofit was recently awarded a Healthy Children's fund Emergency Drop in Care RFP.
6. Have you declared candidacy (as defined by RCW 42.17A.055) for a paid elected office in any jurisdiction within the county?	No
You may attach a resume or detailed summary of experience, qualifications, & interest in response to the following questions	Attached
7. Please describe your	I have been a childcare administrator since 2005 and a teacher

occupation (or former occupation if retired), qualifications, professional and/or community activities, and education	since 1999. I founded 2 nonprofit Montessori childcare programs. I have a masters in Education: Educational Administration from WWU		
8. Please describe why you're interested in serving on this Advisory Group.	Helping support childcare programs, building departments, and families in this community in regards to affordable, high-quality childcare.		
References (please include daytime telephone number):	Angelique Burrell (901) 628-3604 Peter James Klco (360) 510-1856 Thomas Mauer (314) 306-3941		
Appointment Requirements	I understand and agree		
Signature of applicant:	James A Bauckman		
Place Signed / Submitted			
(Section Break)			

James A. Bauckman, M.Ed.

Education

2013 Masters in Education, Western Washington University

4.0 GPA
2002 Montessori Elementary Certificate, Center for Montessori Teacher Education
1996 Bachelors of Science- Biology and Chemistry, Roger Williams University

Certifications/Trainings

Regional Core Training completed WA K-8 certification #457917C with elementary endorsement Montessori Elementary I Certification DCYF Director qualified and up to date in MERIT

Career Summary

Montessori Peace Centers Co-Founder/ Executive Director

Bellingham, WA July 2015 to present

- Creation of founding documents, handbooks, IRS form 1023 and other relevant startup operations
- Development of financial budgets and fundraising
- Property search for new facility, permitting and licensing research for childcare center
- Created mission, vision, objectives and long-range plan for the organization

Bayview Intergenerational ChildcareCenter Director

Seattle, WA May 2024 to August 2024

- Manage licensed childcare centers of 44 child capacity
- Supervise all teaching staff, temporary staff and janitorial/maintenance team
- Complete daily tasks for licensing and office management
- Responsible for creating and reviewing budget, enrollment, and marketing
- Lead staff meetings and trainings

Department of Children, Youth and Families Social Services Specialist 2

Bellingham, WA September 2022 to August 2023

Managing dependency cases for 14 children

- Writing court reports, declarations, petitions, case notes and other relevant documents
- Conducting health and safety visits and supervising children and parent visits
- Representing the Department in court proceedings

Woodinville Montessori School

Bothell, WA August 2014 to June 2015

Secondary Program Director

- Management and supervisory responsibilities for staff of 9 in a program of a 41 students
- Fiduciary oversight and budgeting
- Program development and implementation, admissions, community outreach, and many other daily responsibilities as program director

Kindercare

Bellingham, WA February, 2014- June 27, 2014

Center Director

- Management and supervisory responsibilities for staff of 20 in a center with a 151 student capacity
- Fiduciary oversight and budgeting
- Position ending on June 27th because corporate office is closing down the Bellingham Center

Revolutionary Productions, LLC

Owner/ Producer

Bellingham, WA 2009-December 2014

- Supervise and manage video production cast and crew of up to 10 individuals for a variety of projects
- Produce and host the web series www.BeingTheChange.net

Pioneer Meadows Montessori School

Head of School

Ferndale, WA 2008-2009

- Management of staff of 5 for a school of 40 students
- Held monthly staff and Executive Council meetings and parent and teacher workshops
- Developed marketing plans, budgets, handbooks, forms, and various school documents

References

Warren Aller

Professor Western Washington U

360-223-8502

Thomas Mauer	Social Services Specialist 2	314-306-3941
Peter James	Owner Peter James Studios	360-510-1856