# **Board and Commission Application**

## Step 1

Application for Appointment to Whatcom County Boards and Commissions

#### Public Statement

THIS IS A PUBLIC DOCUMENT: As a candidate for a public board or commission, the information provided will be available to the County Council, County Executive, and the public. All board and commission 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  | Mrs.                              |
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| First Name   | Suneeta                           |
| Last Name  | Eisenberg                         |
| Today's Date   | 1/6/2023                          |
| Street Address   |                                   |
| City   |                                   |
| Zip  |                                   |
| Do you live in & are<br>you registered to vote<br>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   |                                   |
| 1. Name of Board or<br>Committee                                     | Climate Impact Advisory Committee |

| Climate Impact<br>Advisory Committee<br>Position:  | I have previous work or educational experience in climate change. |
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| 2. Do you meet the<br>residency,<br>employment, and/or<br>affiliation requirements<br>of the position for<br>which you're applying?  | Yes   |
| 3. Which Council district do you live in?  | District 1  |
| 4. Are you a US<br>citizen?  | Yes   |
| 5. Are you registered to vote in Whatcom County?   | Yes   |
| 6. Have you declared<br>candidacy (as defined<br>by RCW 42.17A.055)<br>for a paid elected office<br>in any jurisdiction<br>within the county?                                  | No  |
| 7. Have you ever been<br>a member of this<br>Board/Commission?   | No  |
| 8. Do you or your<br>spouse have a financial<br>interest in or are you<br>an employee or officer<br>of any business or<br>agency that does<br>business with<br>Whatcom County? | No  |
| You may attach a<br>resume or detailed<br>summary of<br>experience,<br>qualifications, &<br>interest in response to<br>the following questions                                 | Attached  |

| 9. Please describe your<br>occupation (or former<br>occupation if retired),<br>qualifications,<br>professional and/or<br>community activities,<br>and education | I'm about to be Skagit Valley College's first sustainability<br>coordinator this upcoming April. I'm US Department of Energy's<br>Innovation award winner (affordability category). I'm an educator,<br>coach, community activist and serve on FuturesNW board and<br>was vice-chair of the Community Development Advisory Board.<br>(I'm stepping down this year since I am more passionate about<br>climate resiliency and social/racial justice over HUD funds) |
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| 10. Please describe<br>why you're interested<br>in serving on this board<br>or commission   | I'm interested in serving in order to help speed up policy,<br>advocate and educate the public on projects and to learn from<br>Chris Elder who is my former small sustainable farming teacher<br>and I really enjoy seeing Kaylee Galloway's leadership on<br>council.  |
| References (please<br>include daytime<br>telephone number):   | Alex Ramel 360 305 5079  |
| Signature of applicant:   | Suneeta Lara Eisenberg   |
| Place Signed /<br>Submitted   |  |
|   | (Section Break)  |

# Suneeta Lara Eisenberg

**OBJECTIVE** - To create a milieu of support that will enable, enhance and empower the access for first generation, BIPOC and all diverse populations admitted to Western Washington University's Woodring College. To provide a connection to the community at large within the scope of service learning. To be both independent and work on dynamic teams to support students, faculty and staff.

## **EDUCATION-**

| 2019-2021 | Master's Degree, Education (Instructional Design) – WGU Washington                      |
|-----------|---|
| 2015-2016 | University of Idaho and WSU Cultivating Success small sustainable farming education     |
| 2013-2014 | WSU Extension Master Gardener certification   |
| 2010-2011 | David Hutton Real Estate School   |
| 2004-2009 | Western Washington University - B.A. Anthropology, University Honors (minor: Sociology) |
| 1998-2002 | Skyline High School - High School Diploma, Honors Cum Laude                             |
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## **QUALIFICATIONS-**

- Executive Director of a small non-profit for young women in sports
- Fostering Success Level 1 training from national coaching institution
- Western Success Scholars Program Academic Coach
- 92.38% Retention rate as an "AIM" Coach at Whatcom Community College
- 1 of 2 designated passport to college liaisons for WCC Northwest Region
- Vice-Chair of the Community Development Advisory Board to the Mayor of City of Bellingham
- Manages and supports budget approval for NOFA and HUD funding for the city
- Analytic and Strategic mplemental of business models using both S.W.O.T and A.D.D.I.E
- Educator and coach at middle & high schools with diverse student populations (7+ years)
- Former Whatcom Human Rights Task Force Board Member
- Ferndale School District's Equity Committee member 2017-2018
- Substitute teacher in all elementary through high schools in the BSD 2014-2017
- Wrote and implemented CTE curriculum approved by OSPI for Nutrition and Wellness
- Experience in tracking budgets, income, expenses, philanthropic ventures and donations
- High level of organization, multitasking, goal setting and attention to detail
- U.S. Department of Energy's Innovation Award honorable mention winner
- Volunteer at the Bellingham Food Bank for "small potatoes gleaning project" (7+ years)
- Attended Western Leadership Advantage 2010 and help to implement the newly adapted "food plus" composting system into Artzen and Parks Hall at WWU

# WORK EXPERIENCE (2000-Present)

## Coaching and Teaching

- Western Washington University Scholars' Success Coach (<u>https://wss.wwu.edu/</u>)
- Whatcom Community College Academic 'AIM' Coach
- Communities in Schools Site Coordinator at Vista Middle School
- Bellingham School District Teacher, Coach, Para-educator, substitute and volunteer
- Ferndale School District Equity Committee, track coach and community liaison
- Western Washington University Wade King Recreation Center Marketing and Membership
- Anthropology Department at WWU Freshman Interest Gruop 104 & 201 T.A.

## Administration, Office, Sales & Marketing

- Executive Director Whatcom Waves semi-pro women's indoor soccer team
- Kulshan Brewing Company Event Coordinator and Philanthropist
- AAA of Washington Membership and Travel Agent
- Bellingham 'SLAM' ABA semi-pro basketball marketing intern
- Chase Bank Seasonal Teller (Issaquah, WA high school)

#### Restaurant and Hospitality Industry

- Mount Bakery
- Four Points by Sheraton
- Chuckanut Brewery and Kitchen
- Diamond Jim's
- Slo Pitch Sports Bar and Casino
- Harborside Bistro & Lounge at Hotel Bellwether
- Black Angus Steak-House

#### ADDITIONAL SKILLS-

- Self-motivated and extremely hard-working by using time management skills
- Adaptable to any team milieu by observing, listening and being a leader by example
- Taught Cultural Anthropology 104 and 201 as an undergraduate in F.I.G classrooms
- Creative in analytical thinking as well as using tools "outside the box"
- Coordinated and hosted events at a large-scale brewery around the state
- Implemented composting in the classroom for cooking labs and worked with the school district to try and make composting available for school lunches at Bellingham high school
- Activities advisor to a new ASB Club "Girl Up to Embody Love" with 10 high school members
- Assistant "coach of the year" award at Bellingham High School 2017-2018
- World traveler, volunteering on farms around the world and learning from other cultures
- Problem solver for complex decision making with creativity and open-mind set to possibilities
- First-Aid Mental Health Trainer and M.A.D.D HOPE advocate for the Bellingham School District
- Lived, worked and volunteered for over 18 years in Bellingham
- Miss Washington Teen "Personality" winner 2000 (Seattle)
- LGBTQIA+ youth pride parade and lunch group advisor (Vista Middle and Ferndale High School)
- Dependable strengths course and InSideTrack Coaching model trainer

| From:    | Suneeta Eisenberg                  |
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| To:      | Jill Nixon                         |
| Cc:      | Kaylee Galloway                    |
| Subject: | Re: CIAC Application               |
| Date:    | Friday, January 6, 2023 2:50:11 PM |
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Hi Jill

Thank you for your time. I have submitted my application. I didn't see any space for a cover letter. I am happy to provide what I will be doing at SVC as the new "sustainability coordinator"

I currently work for a foundation. CSF <u>https://www.collegesuccessfoundation.org/college-services/team/suneeta-suni-eisenberg/</u>

(37 former foster youth at WWU, WCC and SVC)

I'm into HEMP and am working hard to get clean manufacturing and solar there on Mt. Vernon's campus. I also have experience in food justice as a part of the BFDF (Birchwood food desert fighters). I'm also a master gardener and 3rd year permaculture practitioner.

I was hoping to use Mr. Ury as a reference, but I see he already has a seat at the table. I was Chris Elder's student in 205/2016 as well.

Happy to answer any questions, ideas or concerns. Thanks!

I look forward to hearing from you and I have blocked off every 3rd Thursday for the meeting. I have attended 2 in "observation" mode and my husband is on the Kulshan Carbon Trust too.

~Warm Regards with Kindness, Coach Suni