El Dorado County Board of Supervisors: Application for New Board, Commission or Committee

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Instructions

Board or Commission Applying For	Early Care & Planning Education/LPC Council
Vacant Position or Title	LPC - Parent Member
First Name	Molly
Last Name	Coolidge
Email Address	
Primary Residential Address	
Residential City	South Lake Tahoe
Residential ZIP Code	96150
Daytime Telephone	
Mobile Telephone	
Occupation/Title	Director of Administration
Employer	Boys & Girls Club of Lake Tahoe
List all County boards, commissions or committees to which you are/were appointed. Please include dates of service.	N/A
Summary of qualifications	 Environmental education teacher for ages 4-18 (15+ years of experience) Multiple Subject Teaching Credential - elementary school student teacher and substitute teacher (4+ years of experience) Boys & Girls Club Board Member (2014-2022) Boys & Girls Club Director of Administration (2022-present) Mother of two children who currently receives childcare in El Doradd County, children ages 20 months and 4 years old (childcare for 3+ years)

Affiliations with professional and/or community groups

- Boys & Girls Club of Lake Tahoe (Board member, now staff member)
- Tahoe Women's Community Fund (member)
- Tahoe Regional Professionals (member)
- Leadership Lake Tahoe (class of 2016)

Why do you seek appointment?

I am seeking an appointment because I believe every EI Dorado County family deserves access to childcare that is safe, reliable, and affordable. My family and I have experienced the national childcare crisis firsthand and I would be eager to share my insight and experiences with the Council in the hopes of helping other families avoid some the stresses. My children are both under 5 and currently attend a licensed daycare center three days a week. This is my daughter's first childcare experience and my son's third. In the three years that we have needed childcare, my family and I have navigated the challenges of the COVID pandemic, a sudden daycare closure, and an unexpected daycare departure. I am familiar with many of the offerings available in South Lake Tahoe and have experienced firsthand the challenges of waitlists, costs, illnesses, and provider fatigue.

Additional Information

I bring experience and expertise as an educator, childcare provider, and a parent of young children. I currently work for the Boys & Girls Club of Lake Tahoe, one of the few after school programs available for elementary and middle school students. I have my multiple subject teaching credential and have worked at many of the schools in El Dorado County as a student teacher, substitute teacher, and environmental educator. Unfortunately, I was unable to accept a full-time teaching position because of the childcare crisis in our area. Prior to living in South Lake Tahoe, I lived in Coloma and worked at the American River Conservancy. I provided educational field trips, in-class lessons, and summer camps for children ages 4 to 18. I genuinely care about the young people of this community and want all children to have a welcoming place to thrive.

If known, indicate the member of the Board of Supervisors who will receive a copy of this application

Brooke Laine

File Attachments

Signature of Applicant

Link to signature

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