



City of Sonoma

COMMISSION APPLICATION

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Application Type: Cultural & Fine Arts Commission

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LENGTH OF RESIDENCY: 4 years + **REGISTERED VOTER:** Yes

EMPLOYER: Napa Valley Unified School District - Principal, McPherson Elementary School

EMPLOYMENT STATUS: Employed

REASON FOR APPLYING: I have lived in Sonoma for over four years and I love where I live. I have worked in the Napa school district for the past twenty years. I would like to become an active citizen in the community where I live.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: High School - El Camino High School, Sacramento, CA, 1989
College - CSU Sacramento, B.A. - History, 1994
Chapman University (Fairfield Campus), M.A. - Education Administration, 2003
Multiple Subjects Credential, 1998 (Chapman Univ.)
Administrative Subjects Credential, 2003 (Chapman Univ.)

OTHER RELEVANT EXPERIENCE: Former classroom teacher (Grades 5-6, 1998-2001) at Capell Valley Elementary School, Napa

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT: Yountville Kiwanis Club member, 2008-2010 during tenure as Principal at Yountville Elementary School

GENERAL QUESTIONS:

Have you ever attended a meeting of the Commission to which you are applying? If so, how many?

No

What is your understanding of the role and responsibility of this Commission?

As an Alternate Member, I would be required to attend all Commission meetings. I would become knowledgeable and speak on all matters being considered by the Commission. In the event a regular member is absent, I would serve in the capacity as a regular member.

What would be your goal(s) as a Commissioner?

To assist the City Council in making decisions that promote our local arts and cultural programs. I would achieve this goal by becoming well-versed on all topics presented to and considered by the Commission. I

would work closely with all Commission members in making recommendations that reflect the values, attitudes, and vision of our community.

What do you feel you could contribute to see these goals realized?

As a public school educator for twenty years, I have learned to value and appreciate a wide array of attitudes, perspectives, and beliefs that motivate people to make our world a better place. We grow when we are exposed to ideas that are new or different from our own. I want to lend my voice in promoting art and cultural programs that get community members and visitors to discuss, reflect, learn, and grow.

Have you previously served, or do you currently serve, on a Sonoma Commission or Committee? If yes, which one(s) and for what period of time?

None

SUPPLEMENTAL QUESTIONS:

If appointed, you will be required to fill out a disclosure statement, which identifies certain details of your financial interests beginning with the immediate twelve-month period prior to your appointment and annually on or before April 1 of each year thereafter. Please confirm that you have read Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC) Form 700 Reference Pamphlet and the City's Conflict of Interest Code agree to file the required FPPC Form 700 Statements of Economic Interest, as required by the Political Reform Act and/or the City's Conflict of Interest Code.

I AGREE

Do you own property in the City of Sonoma? No

Do you rent property in the City of Sonoma? Yes

If yes, is it a month-to-month lease? No

If no, please list the address(es):

I live at 155 Piper Lane, Sonoma.

Please identify any organizations, associations, corporations, or entities by which you are employed or with which you are associated that might be affected by decisions of one or more of the Commissions, and the positions you hold in these entities.

none

Do you have a defined idea about, or have you taken a public stance on, any current or pending projects in the City? If yes, please explain (This includes social media, speaking to a Commission or the Council, letters to the editor, signed a petition etc.)

none

Is there anything else you would like us to consider when reviewing your application?

Thank you for your consideration!

I agree that all of the information contained in my responses to the questions on this application are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I further agree that, by checking the box below and submitting this application, online or otherwise, I am affixing my digital signature to this form as of the date submitted. I also agree that if appointed, I will serve on the Commission/Committee for which I have submitted this application.

I AGREE

Troy Douglas Knox

May 22, 2018

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Summary

I am seeking an appointment as Alternate Commissioner on the Cultural & Fine Arts Commission for the City of Sonoma. My work experience encompasses twenty years in education as a classroom teacher and administrator.

Skills

- Sixteen years experience as an elementary principal, supervising teachers, staff and managing all aspects of the school program.
- Facilitate monthly parent classes through Napa Valley Parent University.
- Integrate technology tools including Google suite for teacher professional development training and school presentations.
- Increased state test scores at each of the four elementary schools where I served as principal.
- Coordinated with parents to organize a newly-formed parent club at my current school (McPherson Elementary).
- Work closely with outside organizations in support of student achievement, including McPherson Family Resource Center, On The Move, and the Cowell Foundation.

Experience

Napa Valley Unified School District

August 1998 to Current

Elementary Principal

Napa, CA

- 5th and 6th Grade Teacher at Capell Valley Elementary School, 1998-2001
- Dean of Students, Vintage High School, 2001-2002
- Elementary Principal, 2002-2018, currently at McPherson Elementary School

Education and Training

Chapman University

2003

Master of Arts: Education

Fairfield Campus, CA

CSU, Sacramento

1994

Bachelor of Arts: History

Sacramento, CA

Chapman University

2003

Administrative Services Credential

Fairfield Campus, CA

Chapman University

1998

Multiple Subjects Credential

Fairfield Campus, CA

Professional Affiliations

- Former Member, NVUSD Elementary Principals' Leadership Team
- Former Member, NVUSD/NVEA (Teachers' Union) Council
- Past President, Assoc. of Napa County School Administrators (2003)
- Former Member, Yountville Kiwanis during tenure as Principal at Yountville Elementary School (2008-2010)