

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



**ITEM**  
2.4  
(ID # 3369)

**MEETING DATE:**

Tuesday, May 2, 2017

**FROM :** ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AGENCY (EDA) / WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT  
DEPARTMENT AND SUPERVISOR TAVAGLIONE :

**SUBJECT:** ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AGENCY (EDA) / WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT  
DEPARTMENT AND SUPERVISOR TAVAGLIONE: WDB Member  
Appointment-Grant Gautsche, All Districts, [\$0]

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve the appointment of Grant Gautsche to the Workforce Development Board.

**ACTION:** Policy

Robert Field, Assistant County Executive Officer/EDA

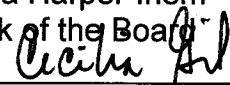
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**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

On motion of Supervisor Ashley, seconded by Supervisor Jeffries and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

**Ayes:** Jeffries, Tavaglione, Washington and Ashley  
**Nays:** None  
**Absent:** None  
**Date:** May 2, 2017  
**xc:** Supvr. Tavaglione, Board, Appointee, COB

Kecia Harper-Ihem  
Clerk of the Board  
By:   
Deputy

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**BACKGROUND:**

**Appointment of Grant Gautsche to the Workforce Development Board.**

**Type of Nomination**

Public Sector Representative

**Member Name:**

Grant Gautsche

Director

Veterans' Services

**Address:**

4360 Orange Street  
Riverside, CA 92501

**Telephone:**

951-955-3044

**Term of Appointment:                      Full Term Ending: February 7, 2019**

Mr. Grant Gautsche, Director, Riverside County Department of Veterans' Services, has expressed an interest in serving on the Workforce Development Board (WDB) as a Public Sector Community Based Organization representative for all districts. Mr. Gautsche has over nineteen years of experience with the Department of Veterans' Services. The Department of Veterans' Services serves the 134,794 veterans who reside in Riverside County. With the addition of veterans' dependents and survivors the number increases to 471,779. In Fiscal Year 2014/2015 Veterans Services filed 8,520 claims for VA benefits, which generated over \$33,249,599.00 in new benefits for Riverside veterans and their families.

Mr. Gautsche is passionate about education and workforce issues relate to veterans, their families and other members of the Riverside community. Under his leadership, the Riverside County Department of Veterans' Services has partnered and collaborated with the Workforce Development Department, and Employment Development Department to refer and assist veterans and their families with gaining employment. Veterans provide a diverse group of talented workers and unemployment is a key issue. Veteran Services works to link veterans to education and employment resources, vocational rehabilitation, counseling and programs which help them attain employment and meet their career goals. Mr Gautsche has met with local colleges and assisted them in establishing Veterans Success Centers to support veterans in pursuing their educational and career goals.

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If appointed to the WDB, Mr. Gautsche will partner to continue establishing and bringing recognition to the WDB as the focal point between employees, employers, education, economic and community development. He will participate in coordinating workforce development activities and economic development systems to better meet the needs of Riverside's veteran workforce.

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