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## Memorandum

To: Board of County Commissioners

From: Jeff Spartz, County Administrator

Date: 6-16-09

Subject: Status of SAVEIT Committee

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The Board created the committee in April to be composed of seven individuals: five members appointed by the Board and two additional at-large citizens recommended by the initial five appointees and confirmed by the County Board. The enabling language in the Lane Manual was adopted on May 13, 2009. Christine McCoy has agreed to serve as county staff for the committee once it is operational.

We made the initial advertisement for membership on 4-28-2009. Two individuals have responded to the initial advertisement. We placed a further advertisement on 6-8-2009 to secure additional applicants.

One of the Commissioner appointees is in place. The other four are yet to be appointed.

(9) All Decisions Final. The Committee shall make the final decision as to whether an employee proposal award should be made and subject to the rules and regulations adopted pursuant to LM 2.450 through 2.455, and the nature and extent of the award. If at any time an employee wishes to reopen a denied proposal to present new or additional information, the Committee will review its decision. (Revised by Order No. 01-4-18-3, Effective 4.18.01; 06-4-12-2, 4.12.06)

#### 2.470 Taxpayer Cost Savings Program.

The Savings Are Valuable to Individual Taxpayers (SAVIT) (pronounced SAVE-IT) program shall solicit from, and administer awards to, County residents for cost saving proposals.

### 2.471 Organization of the SAVIT Committee.

There shall be seven (7) members, identified as follows:

- (1) Five (5) members, one selected by each member of the Board of Commissioners.
- (2) Two (2) members from the SAVE Committee to be appointed by the Board following recommendations from the SAVIT Committee.
  - (3) Committee members shall serve two (2) year terms.

#### 2.472 Staffing.

The County Administration shall provide Committee staffing.

#### 2.473 Operating Procedures of the Committee.

Within the parameters set forth herein, the Committee shall recommend to the Board of Commissioners the procedure for administering this program, regarding issues such as:

- (1) Annual reward budget.
- (2) Maximum award amounts.
- (3) Community outreach.
- (4) Evaluation criteria.

#### 2.478 Sunsetting of the Committee.

Unless extended by Order of the Board of Commissioners, the Committee shall sunset and expire two years following the date of its first meeting.

#### **EMPLOYEE OPERATION OF AIRCRAFT**

#### 2.505 Policy Statement.

Occasionally, employees will be required for County business purposes to fly fixed or rotary wing aircraft. The decision as to whether or not an employee needs to pilot an aircraft for County work, will be made by the Department Head of the employee requesting authorization. (Revised by Order No. 73-13-2, Effective 11.28.73)

#### 2.510 Requirements.

Prior to flying, the employee must:

- (1) Obtain written authorization from his or her Department Head.
- (2) Fill out County insurance policy questionnaire, which may be obtained from the office of the County Counsel.
- (3) Present to the County Counsel a copy of the aircraft owner's insurance policy. (Revised by Order No. 73-13-2, Effective 11.28.73)



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# BOARD SEEKS COMMUNITY MEMBERS FOR NEW SAVIT COMMITTEE

Contacts: Lane County Board of Commissioners, 682-4203

The Lane County Board of Commissioners has created the Savings Are Valuable to Individual Taxpayers (all residents)(SAVIT) Program and is seeking community members interested in participating on an oversight committee.

A total of seven people are being sought for the committee including five members selected by each member of the Board and two members from the County's employee SAVE Committee to be appointed by the Board following recommendations from the SAVIT Committee.

The committee will oversee the newly-formed SAVIT Program, soliciting and reviewing cost-saving ideas from the community. The purpose of the SAVIT Committee is to construct a program of rewarding Lane County residents for initiating cost saving proposals. Among the Board's guiding principles is accountability, that Lane County "will always strive to get the most benefit from our available resources." Exploring community members' cost-saving ideas will help achieve this goal.

People representing the diversity of our community are encouraged to apply. Applications are available in the Board of Commissioners' Office in the Public Service Building located at 125 East Eighth Ave., Eugene. Applications are also available to download at <a href="http://www.co.lane.or.us/BCC/AdvisoryCommittees.htm">http://www.co.lane.or.us/BCC/AdvisoryCommittees.htm</a> and click on the "Standard Application Form" link. Applications may be submitted to:

The Lane County Board of Commissioners' Office, Public Service Building, 125 East Eighth Ave., Eugene.

Applications are due by 5 p.m., Wednesday, May 29. To request an application by mail, please call 682-4203.

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