
General Information

All County Board and Commission members must be residents of Los Alamos County. Lodgers' Tax Advisory Board members, except the at-large community member, do not need to be residents if they are employed/represent an attraction or hotel.

Once a resident fills out and submits this application, an interview is scheduled with the B&C's County Council liaison, the relevant staff liaison, and the B&C Chair. After the interviews, the applicants' names are presented to the full Council during a regularly scheduled Council meeting, where a vote is taken regarding the appointment of each applicant. Each applicant will be notified if they are appointed or not.

Only on-line applications will be considered.

If you are interested in applying for Labor Relations Board, please contact Denise Cassel at 505-662-8047.

Profile

Board and Commission Application

Note: Please be aware that as a public entity, the County of Los Alamos, is obligated to furnish this information to the public if requested. Note also that current LANL employees, if appointed to a Board or Commission, may be required by LANL to complete a 701 form.

Kelly

First Name

A

Middle Initial

Dolejsi

Last Name



Street Address



Suite or Apt



City



State



Postal Code



Email Address



Primary Phone



Alternate Phone

Party affiliation as registered: (Select one of the following) *

☒ Democrat

Registered to vote in Los Alamos?

☒ Yes ☐ No

How did you learn of this Board/Commission vacancy?

Recommendation of a former board member

Do you currently serve on any County Board or Commission?

☒ Yes ☐ No

If yes, which one? (Los Alamos County law prohibits residents from serving concurrently on more than one County board except as expressly approved in writing by the County Council before the appointment is made.)

Library

Interests & Experiences

Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Library: Appointed

Why would you like to serve on this particular Board or Commission?

I'd like to be on the board in order to take a larger role in supporting our libraries and keeping them wonderful. The libraries in Los Alamos are the best I've ever known. Before the pandemic, I was at Mesa multiple times a week, borrowing books for myself and my children, and participating in programs regularly (particularly youth programs and the Authors Speak Series). Since covid-19, I've been taking advantage of curbside pickup nearly every week, and I'm so grateful for the library staff's creativity and dedication in staying open in this capacity. They continue to enrich our community and I look forward to seeing what else they will come up with as the governor's guidelines change. I love committing my energy toward the library and its future as a board member.

What volunteer or professional activities have you participated in that could apply to this appointment?

I've served on the Arts Council Board, and have volunteered for several years at the library, primarily writing preview articles for the Free Film Series. I've also participated, as a speaker, in the Authors Speak Series, and covered many library events while working as an editor at the Los Alamos Monitor (2003-2007). I am currently a member of the library board.

The time involved may be 10-15 hours per month or more. Are you able to serve the volunteer hours and attend training needed to perform your duties as an appointee?

Yes, I'm able to commit to this.

What would you like to accomplish during your tenure on this Board or Commission? (Please identify any special interests you have that led you to become interested in serving on this Board or Commission.)

Mostly, I'd like to be involved in keeping the library a safe, vibrant, happy community center.

Have you had any direct or indirect involvement with this Board or Commission or with the County staff supporting this Board or Commission or County Councilors? If so, please explain.

Yes, as a current member (and vice-chair) of the library board.

Are there any issue or matters, financial or otherwise, that you are now or might become involved in that may come before the Board or Commission for which you seek appointment?

No, there are no issues.

If you have any questions, please contact Barbara Lai at 505-663-3436 or barbara.lai@lacnm.us



County Manager's Office

**BOARD & COMMISSION INTERVIEW QUESTIONS
FOR B&C MEMBERS APPLYING FOR A SECOND TERM**

Kell Dolejsi
Applicant's Name

Library
Board or Commission

Eileen Sullivan
Interviewer Name

4:00 pm 9/28/2020
Date/Time of Interview

Interview Conducted:
X ZOOM
____ Telephone

NOTE TO INTERVIEW PANEL: Please remember to use this interview as an opportunity to share Council's directives and guidance for B&C's.

#	Question/Documented Response
1	<p>Since you are re-applying for this position, you must feel that the Board or Commission actions are worthwhile. What do you consider to be the positive aspects of the position? The negative?</p> <p><i>No negatives</i> <i>+ - how lib. run, mty. lib. employees, council</i> <i>bridge btwn lib. + community</i></p>
2	<p>What has the Board or Commission accomplished during your term? What have you been able to contribute to the accomplishments that you are pleased with?</p> <p><i>Policies revised</i> <i>Liaison w/ Friends of the Library.</i> <i>Contributed to discussion on policy</i> <i>censorship, internet for children policies +</i> <i>concerns.</i> <i>Vice-chair</i></p>
3	<p>What do you believe are the greatest issues facing the Board or Commission for which you've applied and how do you feel this Board or Commission can contribute to the resolution of these issues?</p> <p><i>[Note to interview panel: If the answer to this question appears to be off base with Council's goals or directives, please explore a little more.]</i></p> <p><i>How to keep access during pandemic without</i> <i>endangering staff + public.</i> <i>Listen, ask questions. Help the library +</i> <i>staff get feel for how policies +</i> <i>what we are doing feel to the community.</i></p>

4 Now that you've served on this board or commission, how do you perceive the role of County Boards and Commissions in local government? Do you have suggestions for better operation of this board or commission? Of operations of the Board and Commission system in general?

Bridge bken staff + community:
check and balance, discussion with those
not employed by library. Important function.
Community response, B+C great system.
More direct conversation w/ community.

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5 Based on your experience serving on this board or commission, please share your thoughts on the communication methods between this Board and Council? How can we improve?

Liaison, receptive comes to meetings.
Council takes us seriously, attentive
approachable.

6 Have you attended any training sessions related to your duties and responsibilities as a board member? Is there any training that you feel the County could provide to improve the effectiveness or efficiency of the board or commission system, as a whole, or of board or commission members individually?

Tour of library - very informative, process
Training on how to read policies + language.
Roberts Rules - seminar. User friendly
language. Language feels exclusionary. Basic course on
county governance.

7 What suggestions/comments would you like to offer in connection with your Board or Commission service so far?

Been very positive. Learning about county
governance as I go along. Enjoys learning
about library + community.

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Absolutely not.

9 If this board decides (or is required) to "live stream" their meeting, will this be a deterrent to your willingness to continue serving on the board?

No

10	Do you have any questions of the interview panel?
11	<i>[Interview panel: Ask questions you think necessary for clarification of the answers this applicant provided on their application form or during this interview.]</i>

Notes

Thank the applicant for their feedback on the B&C system, and their willingness to continue serving as a Board or Commission member.



County Manager's Office

**BOARD & COMMISSION INTERVIEW QUESTIONS
FOR B&C MEMBERS APPLYING FOR A SECOND TERM**

Kelly Dolejsi

Library

Applicant's Name

Board or Commission

Katrina

9/28/2020 4:00

Interview
Conducted:

Martin

Interviewer Name

Date/Time of Interview

X ZOOM

Telephone

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1	<p>Since you are re-applying for this position, you must feel that the Board or Commission actions are worthwhile. What do you consider to be the positive aspects of the position? The negative?</p> <p>No negatives Positives- Learning more about how the library is running, meeting cool people, working as a bridge between library and community.</p>
2	<p>What has the Board or Commission accomplished during your term? What have you been able to contribute to the accomplishments that you are pleased with?</p> <p>Going to friends of library meeting, B&C luncheon Discussion on policies; grammatical things and issues of censorship Served as vice chair</p>

3	<p>What do you believe are the greatest issues facing the Board or Commission for which you've applied and how do you feel this Board or Commission can contribute to the resolution of these issues?</p> <p><i>[Note to interview panel: If the answer to this question appears to be off base with Council's goals or directives, please explore a little more.]</i></p> <p>Greatest issue is access during pandemic without endangering people The library staff is so good, not sure that the board is helping, but listen and ask questions; help library staff and manager get a sense or feel of the community</p>
4	<p>Now that you've served on this board or commission, how do you perceive the role of County Boards and Commissions in local government? Do you have suggestions for better operation of this board or commission? Of operations of the Board and Commission system in general?</p> <p>Bridge between staff and community; check and balance, someone for the staff to report to Have discussions with people who aren't employed by the library Effective and important for the community for those reasons— keep those discussions going so the community feels involved and the staff know what they are thinking and how they are responding, recognizing strengths and weaknesses Recommendations— trying to get out more (farmer's markets, etc.) and interface with patrons directly, community members always have input</p>

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5	<p>Based on your experience serving on this board or commission, please share your thoughts on the communication methods between this Board and Council? How can we improve?</p> <p>Glad to have Council available Have Council liaison there and attentive</p>
6	<p>Have you attended any training sessions related to your duties and responsibilities as a board member? Is there any training that you feel the County could provide to improve the effectiveness or efficiency of the board or commission system, as a whole, or of board or commission members individually?</p> <p>Went on a tour of library— very informative Reading things like library policy, Robert's Rules, very difficult to pay attention and follow and get a lot out of it; possible training for reading and understanding that kind of language better (not reader friendly) Feels exclusionary; basic course on County governance; there is a learning curve</p>
7	<p>What suggestions/comments would you like to offer in connection with your Board or Commission service so far?</p> <p>Been very positive, learning more about County governance; enjoys learning about County and library</p>

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9	<p>If this board decides (or is required) to “live stream” their meeting, will this be a deterrent to your willingness to continue serving on the board?</p> <p>No</p>
10	<p>Do you have any questions of the interview panel?</p> <p>How do you feel I’ve been as a board member? (committed, involved, helpful, different perspectives)</p>
11	<p><i>[Interview panel: Ask questions you think necessary for clarification of the answers this applicant provided on their application form or during this interview.]</i></p>

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Kelly Dolejsi

Applicant's Name

Library Board

Board or Commission

Rebecca Rodriguez

Interviewer Name

9/28/2020 4pm

Date/Time of Interview

Interview Conducted:

☒ ZOOM

☐ Telephone

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2	<p>What has the Board or Commission accomplished during your term? What have you been able to contribute to the accomplishments that you are pleased with?</p> <p>policies and procedures accomplishments: Friends of Library Mtg B+C luncheons</p> <p>Vice-chair this year</p> <p>Contributed to discussion on censorship and libraries policies on internet + kids</p>
3	<p>What do you believe are the greatest issues facing the Board or Commission for which you've applied and how do you feel this Board or Commission can contribute to the resolution of these issues?</p> <p>[Note to interview panel: If the answer to this question appears to be off base with Council's goals or directives, please explore a little more.]</p> <p>Keeping access available to all patrons during the pandemic by asking questions of library manager and what the community may need</p>
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County boards are a bridge
 checks and balances for the stuff
 open discussion for citizens and is an effective tool
 for the community
 keeps the community and county talking: a system to
 more direct comm w/public keep comm open

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7	What suggestions/comments would you like to offer in connection with your Board or Commission service so far? Positive/Learning to understand the county govnt Learning about my community
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