Workforce Innovation Board Proposed Appointment – August 2017

Paul Nikstad

Ethnicity:Caucasian/Non-HispanicEmployer:Hubert H. Humphrey Job Corps CenterOccupation:Career Technical Training Manager

Why are you interested in serving on a board or committee?

I work at the Hubert H. Humphrey Job Corps overseeing the vocational training programs. As a WIOA Title One Program, our interests at the Humphrey Job Corps Center align with the interests of the Workforce Innovation Board. I also hope to continue the Center's mission by supporting the residents and businesses of Saint Paul in connecting youth with training and employers with a skilled workforce.

What skills/training or experience do you possess for the committee(s) for which you seek appointment?

I have worked at the Humphrey Job Corps for the past 8 years. The first five I spent working on job development, connecting graduates to jobs, education, military and other forms of training. The last three years I have been working in a supervisory role in the Vocational Training, Counseling and Work Based Learning/Volunteering departments. I work with the Center's Industry Council to develop training opportunities and the Community Relations Council to strengthen our ties to the community and help us be good stewards to the community.