# **APPOINTMENT**

Approving the reappointment of Ms. Susan Gove to serve as a member of the Children, Youth and Families Advisory Committee, for a term to expire on December 31, 2017.

SPONSORED BY CHIEF EXECUTIVE FITZGERALD

In Council	DEC.	16th	, 2014.
Read and approv	ed by Motion of Counci	il.	
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November 13, 2014

Honorable President and Members of Council Allegheny County Council 119 Courthouse Pittsburgh, PA 15219

Dear Members of Council:

CC: Ms. Susan Gove

Please find the attached resume of Ms. Susan Gove whom I am recommending for reappointment to the Children Youth and Families Advisory Committee.

The Children Youth and Families Advisory Committee are responsible for reviewing and making recommendations pertaining to the county children and youth social service program and the operation of the county agency. I am recommending that Ms. Gove serve a term to expire on December 31, 2017.

Ms. Gove is currently the President and CEO of the Gove Group. She received both her bachelor and master's degrees in Elementary Education from California State College. In addition she also received a doctorate degree in curriculum and supervision from the University of Pittsburgh.

I appreciate your consideration, and ask you to act on this appointment as quickly as possible. Ms. Gove will make herself available for review before the appropriate committee if members of Council wish to speak with her.

Sincerely,

Rich Fitzgerald

Allegheny County Executive

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COUNCIL

# SUSAN E. GOVE, PH.D.

Gove Group, Inc. Gove Business Center 226 Paul Street Pittsburgh, PA 15211

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## CAREER SUMMARY

# **Competent Project Manager**

- Skilled in project strategic plan development & implementation
- · Experienced in efficient budget development & control
- Proficient in project creation and management
- · Efficient in problem solving and crisis control

# **Effective Communicator, Teacher**

- Qualified staff development instructor
- · Accomplished in design and delivery of dynamic programs
- · Proven successful in counseling and team building
- Management and union representative in public and private sectors

#### Skilled Researcher, Author

- · Innovative in curriculum development
- Experienced in preparation of administrative reports
- · Successful in grant procurement

# EXPERIENCE SUMMARY

#### **BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT**

October 1989 to Present

Gove Group, Inc.

Pittsburgh, PA

**President/CEO.** Prepare written materials in a reader-friendly format: writing, editing and curriculum development. Develop and produce training programs for business and educational entities. Design and implement seminars and conferences. Develop program curriculum, enlist speakers, secure conference facilities, prepare advertising brochures, devise mailing lists, and prepare all accompanying materials.

November 1997 to Present

**Gove Business Center** 

Pittsburgh, PA

Owner. Converted an abandoned convent to create a professional business center. This model for the 21st century enables small business owners to collaborate on projects, share business information, learn from one another, and work in an energized, creative atmosphere. Building has 30 offices and conference rooms. Mission is to assist small businesses, especially women-owned, to flourish. Business seminars and individual assistance complement the collaborative work of the tenant businesses.

#### **ADMINISTRATION**

May 1987 to October 1989 Department of General Services, City of Pittsburgh

Pittsburgh, PA

Assistant Director. Directed a department of 280 employees in the performance of citywide services including fleet management, building operation, and purchasing. Had \$22 million operating budget. Handled all personnel matters.

April 1985 to May 1987 Labor Relations, City of Pittsburgh

Pittsburgh, PA

Administrator. Advised management in labor relations matters with 9 unions representing 5,500 employees. Negotiated contracts. Resolved third level grievances. Developed the City's Discipline Policy Manual. Started labor-management committees in all departments.

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January 1982 Educational & Management Consultants, Inc. Jeannette, PA Consultant. Developed training manuals for private industry. Represented various to June 1988 governmental agencies in all aspects of labor relations matters. September 1980 Office of the Provost, University of Pittsburgh Pittsburgh, PA to May 1983 Graduate Assistant. Worked part time in the Provost's Office while completing related advanced studies. Designed a Meet and Discuss program for Pennsylvania school districts. Assisted in development of a labor relations program. Reviewed Affirmative Action Policies. Prepared the Provost's newsletter to the university's faculty. July 1974 **Central Greene Education Association** Waynesburg, PA to September 1980 President; Chief Negotiator; Grievance Chairperson. Represented teachers during three successive contract negotiations. INSTRUCTION **Point Park University** 2011 - present Pittsburgh, PA Visiting Professor. i3 science research grant project manager. Instructor. Teach graduate classes in Administration and Supervision of 2006-2008 Adult Education. California University of PA January 1991 California, PA Instructor. Taught graduate and undergraduate classes. Supervised and instructed to May 1993 Elementary Education Student Teachers in assigned schools; teach weekly practicum. Oriented and advised Cooperating teachers; taught "Conferencing Skills" segment of the Cooperating Teacher Training Program. University of Pittsburgh Summer 1984 Pittsburgh, PA Fall 2000 Instructor. Doctoral level course in collective bargaining. Undergraduate HR course. September 1980 Community College of Allegheny County Pittsburgh, PA instructor. Taught reading and study skills courses at two campuses. to April 1985 Diagnosed learning problems. Designed, piloted, and revised courses of study for Integrated Block Program. Worked with Dislocated Workers Program. Central Greene School District January 1974 Wavnesburg, PA Teacher. Kindergarten and Second Grade. Analyzed and proposed improvements in to September 1980 reading program. Developed and implemented programs for child care and spelling curricula. Instructed faculty in new language arts programs. Implemented pilot programs in math and language arts. Served on district curriculum committee. June 1979 Youth Development Center of Pennsylvania Waynesburg, PA to August 1979 Teacher. Taught reading classes to juvenile offenders. **EDUCATION** Ph. D. University of Pittsburgh 1983 Curriculum & Supervision M. Ed. California State College, PA 1977 **Elementary Education** 

Leadership Pittsburgh XVII 2001

California State College, PA

1972 Elementary Education

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### Susan E. Gove, Ph.D.

### **AWARDS**

Pennsylvania's 50 Best Women in Business

2006

2000

YWCA Tribute to Women, Business and Industry

# PUBLICATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

A Case Study: Group Interaction of a Pennsylvania Teacher Strike During the 1970's. Doctoral dissertation.

Kids Get It. A book teaching children how to be energy efficient.

**Boys & Girls Common Skills.** A series of 8 booklets (ages birth to 8) listing skills children should attain.

"Children Succeeding in School" A presentation at the Pennsylvania Child. Care Association 2003 Annual Conference

"School Readiness: What We Should Know and Be Able to Do" A presentation at the Pennsylvania Child Care Association 2005 Annual Conference

Quality Assurance/Quality Control: A Course Designed as Part of the Curriculum in Nuclear Service Technology. A self-paced instruction program for Westinghouse Corporation nuclear power personnel.

YouthWorks '96 - Student Guide; YouthWorks '96 - Facilitator's Manual; YouthWorks '96 - Employer's Guide. Pre-employment training program for summer youth workers and for supervisors who employ them

Conferencing Skills for Supervisors of Student Teachers.

Presentation for classroom teachers who work with California University of PA.

Schools and Strikes: Creating a New Understanding Between Teachers and Management Through a System of In-Service Continuing Education. Presentation at a National Adult Education Conference.

Act 195 Overview and Review. Presentation at a Beaver County Intermediate Unit Workshop for Pennsylvania School Board Directors.

Kindergarten Curriculum Guide of the Central Greene School District.

**Supervision Skills for Cooperating Teachers.** Training modules for classroom teachers who supervise student teachers.

**Workforces for Tomorrow - TODAY**. Publication in *Graphic Network*, a graphics industry publication.

### Susan E. Gove, Ph.D.

# ASSOCIATIONS & BOARDS

Allegheny County Children Youth & Family Advisory Board Board Member

Community College of Allegheny County, Institute of Advanced Technology, Business Advisory Board

Former Board Member

Sustainable Pittsburgh Former Board Member

Chatham College MBA Advisory Board Former Board Member

Women and Girls Foundation of SWPA Former Board Member

Executive Women's Council Past-President

Mt. Lebanon Parks Advisory Board Former Board Member

# VOLUNTEER WORK

Bethlehem Haven Women's Shelter. Chair Annual Fundraiser

Mt. Washington Community Food Bank. Coordinate donations of clothing and toys for children in Mt. Washington and Duquesne Heights

Canine Companions for Independence, Greater Pittsburgh Past-President and Founder of Pittsburgh Group

Leukemia Society. Door to door collections for many years

American Cancer Society Door to door collections

National Kidney Foundation of Western PA. Volunteer

YWCA. Committee Chair, 2001 Board of Directors Nomination Committee

ATHENA Award. Committee member



# COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY

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December 17, 2014

Ms. Susan Gove Gove Group, Inc. Gove Business Center 226 Paul Street Pittsburgh, PA 15211

Dear Ms. Gove:

This is to inform you that at the Regular Meeting of Allegheny Council held on December 16, 2014 Council approved your reappointment to serve as a member of the Children, Youth and Families Advisory Committee, for a term to expire on December 31, 2017.

Congratulations on your reappointment and best of luck in this undertaking. We look forward to receiving your recommendations and stand willing to assist you in any way you believe appropriate.

Sincerely,

Jan Rea, Appointment Review Committee Chair

Allegheny County Council

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