

Study Committee Conclusions? \*

What's the purpose of this now?

## LEAGUE POSITION OUTLINE

Guide committee presentation  
or anticipatory statement of what members will conclude

Doesn't position follow consensus' conclusions?  
I checked once in How to Conduct a Study to see if Committee Recommendations were suggested. If I recall correctly, subject wasn't mentioned

Concerning the overall functioning of county government, the League believes that the Board of Commissioners (BOC) as the legislative and principal policy making agency of the county should pass appropriate ordinances, supervise all budgetary decisions and act responsibly in its quasi-judicial capacity in land use matters.

### Composition:

Supports a Board of Commissioners whose number adequately represents the population of Jackson County.

### County Administrative Officer.

The League supports the BOC's delegation of administrative functions to a capable professional administrator, but reasserts the League's position that policy making shall be reserved to the BOC and that overall responsibility for all functions of the County's government ultimately rests with the BOC.

The League also believes that the position of Administrator should be included in the County Charter in order to give more stability to that position.

### Policies & Procedures.

Concerning policies and procedures that facilitate citizen involvement, the League;

1. Continues to emphasize the importance of meaningful citizen involvement, and citizen participation in the formulation of policy through citizen advisory groups and commissions.

2. Believes that the BOC should make every effort to provide widespread notice throughout the county of all vacancies on advisory boards and commissions. The Board should establish terms of service and qualifications for such positions. It should conduct interviews and select candidates who will bring diversity and experience to bear in their service to the County.

If you draw up a tentative position at this time (even for committee use & even if it reflects committee consensus) isn't this moving away from neutrality? Wouldn't it be better at this moment to reach & list committee agreement on where there is sufficient material in our report to justify consensus questions? (Maybe you could report where the committee achieved consensus.)

Possibly  
Need  
addition  
to  
consider

\* method of selection

This could be important in the future. Would let us have a voice later on selection proposals

3. Reaffirms its belief in the importance of the Oregon Open Meetings Law. Notices and adequate agendas for all public meetings of the BOC should be given widespread advance publicity in media throughout the county.

**Elected Department Heads.**

Concerning elected department heads, the League believes that those offices which require expertise in a professional field, are not required to make policy decisions, and are not politically sensitive, should be appointive rather than elective. The League believes that Jackson County should establish by ordinance, qualifications for the offices of Clerk and Financial Officer. The League also believes that the Office of Treasurer should be changed to that of Finance Officer and be made appointive.

The League also believes that the offices of Assessor, Finance Officer, and Surveyor should be appointive rather than elective and that the Charter should be amended to reflect these changes.

**Charter Amendments.**

The League believes that the Charter's election laws, (Charter, Chpt. VII, Sec. 28) should be amended so that the current inconsistencies between it and state statute would be cured.