

Solano County

Board of Supervisors

Minute Order

March 27, 2012

File Reference No. 12-0214

RE: Receive a report on all the various boards, commissions and committees that receive County staff support; Consider the County Administrator's recommended parameters to reduce County costs due to reductions in available resources by: 1) Adopting a resolution to merge the Child Abuse Prevention Council with the Children's Alliance; 2) Transferring oversight and contract management of Children's Alliance to CAO/First 5 Solano; 3) Reaffirming that the Historical Records Commission is an advisory board of the Board of Supervisors; and 4) Designating General Services as the County supporting department responsible for providing oversight, management and direction to the Historical Records Commission's volunteers and the historical records facility

Chris Rogers, County Administrators Office, reported that a review of all the various committees that receive County staff support, including attending their meetings had been conducted. Ms. Rogers provided a status update on the utilization, purpose and need of each of the committees, the time and General Fund cost of County staff incurred in providing support and/or attending meetings, committee membership attendance, and the ability to have a quorum, and the committees effectiveness.

County Administrator Birgitta E. Corsello noted that County departments were requested to review those committees under their jurisdiction to determine if there were opportunities to reduce the size of their committees, change the frequency of meetings, or merge committee that provided similar services. Ms. Corsello noted that over the past year, department staffing had been reduced and that there was a need to create efficiencies by realigning programs.

Ron Grassi, County Administrator's Office, provided a report to the Board relative to the Children's Alliance noting that County, as well as community partners, were shrinking programs and looking to save resources. In addition, there were difficulties in keeping membership involved to ensure quorums and to meet commitments. In an effort to be more efficient and effective, it was requested that the duties assigned to the Child Abuse Prevention Council be merged with the Children's Alliance and that staff would return at a later date with the specific composition of membership and bylaws.

Kim Thomas, Children's Network, expressed her support for the merger of the Child Abuse Prevention Council with the Children's Alliance.

At the conclusion of discussion, the Board took the following action: Resolution

12-042

On motion of Supervisor Kondylis, seconded by Supervisor Reagan, the Board:

1) Adopted and authorized Chair Seifert to sign Resolution 12-042 to merge the Child Abuse Prevention Council with the Children's Alliance. (see Resolution Book)

2) Transferred oversight and contract management of Children's Alliance to County Administrator's Office/First 5 Solano Children and Families Commission.

3) Reaffirmed that the Historical Records Commission is an advisory board of the Board of Supervisors.

4) Designated General Services as the County supporting department responsible for providing oversight, management and direction to the Historical Records Commission's volunteers and the historical records facility.

So ordered by 4-0 vote.

Enactment No: Resolution 12-042