

In addition to the changes in the bylaws, this item brings forward several member and alternate appointments for the Board's consideration. The proposed roster of members and alternates are included in Attachment C.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The cost associated with preparing this agenda item is nominal and absorbed by the Department's FY2020/21 Preliminary Budget. There is no financial impact for this decision; approval will assist the SCA to reach a quorum to conduct their business.

DISCUSSION:

Bylaws

The SCA is requesting revisions in several areas. Current bylaws allow for all members to serve a four-year term. The first proposed revision clarifies that the Board of Supervisors member appointment term is a one-year appointment coinciding with the calendar year and the Board's Committee appointment schedule. The second revision updates the quorum guidelines. The SCA is recommending that a simple majority of filled member positions, rather than the total number member positions constitute a quorum for meetings and all voting requirements.

The third revision clarifies when the Executive Committee of the SCA may recommend to the Board to remove a member, allowing another member to be appointed in the member's place. Recommendation for removal includes when a member fails to attend more than two meetings in a calendar year without being excused by the Executive Committee. This will allow the SCA to recommend removal of members who are no longer engaged with the SCA and have no contact with the Executive Committee. The Board of Supervisor's member is excluded from the removal criteria.

All of the changes are to ensure the bylaws are consistent with current practice, and to assist the SCA with member attendance and voting to ensure the SCA is able to conduct their business on a timely basis. The bylaws have also been reorganized for consistency and flow.

The Solano Children's Alliance reviewed and approved the bylaws on May 6, 2020 and their Executive Committee recommends adoption of the revisions.

Appointments:

The Alliance consists of 20 voting members recommended by the Alliance Executive Committee and appointed by the Board of Supervisors. This agenda item also brings forward three member appointments as recommended by the SCA Executive Committee pursuant to the bylaws:

- Appointment Cheryl Countee, Assistant Director, Human Resources, Fairfield Suisun Unified School District for category of Local School District
- Appointment of Angel Aguilar, Director, Solano Family Justice Center, for category of Solano County District Attorney's Office
- Appointment of Tonya Burns, Executive Director, Child Haven, Inc. for the category of Community Based Organization that provides Services to Children and Families

This item also brings forward three appointments of alternates pursuant to the revised bylaws. The proposed alternates and their membership categories are:

- Appointment of alternate Araceli Lopez, Principal, Anna Kyle Elementary School, Fairfield Suisun Unified School District, for category of Local School District (alternate for Cheryl Countee).
- Appointment of alternate Christina Sinohui, Social Worker, Solano Family Justice Center, for the category of Solano County District Attorney's Office (alternate for Angel Aguilar).
- Appointment of alternate Eliza Lehrke, Clinical Director, Child Haven, Inc. for the category of

Community Based Organization that Provides Services to Families and Youth (alternate for Tonya Burns).

The proposed appointment of members and alternates are included in the Proposed Membership Roster (Attachment C).

ALTERNATIVES:

The Board could choose not to approve the revised SCA bylaws, and the appointments of members and/or alternates. This is not recommended as each of these will assist the Alliance in conducting its responsibility to support children's issues in Solano County.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

The revised SCA bylaws have been recommended by the SCA and reviewed by County Counsel. The membership appointments and alternates have been reviewed and recommended by the Executive Committee of the SCA.