



**Executive Officer's Report
October 5, 2011 Meeting**

DATE: September 26, 2011

TO: Children and Families Commission of Orange County

FROM: Michael M. Ruane, Executive Director

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SUBJECT: Executive Officer's Report

The Executive Officer's Report for October 5, 2011, includes the following items.

A. Informational Items (Report)

Highlights are included in Agenda Item No. 5. There are no separate Financial Highlights this month.

B. Update on the County Ordinance for the Children and Families Commission of Orange County (Report)

Board of Supervisors Chairman Bill Campbell has filed a revised ordinance for the Children and Families Commission for the October 4, 2011 Board of Supervisors meeting. The background and summary for the proposal is provided below.

As you know, the Orange County Children and Families Commission was created through the Orange County Board of Supervisors as a result of Proposition 10, the voter initiative passed in 1998. The Board approved a nine-member commission, which includes six "At-Large" community appointees from two general categories, Health and Education.

The implementing ordinance for the initiative also specifies three mandatory representatives, one from the Orange County Board of Supervisors, and two county representatives selected who have expertise in health and children's services, serve as Commission members.

Earlier this year, the Board reappointed the six "At-Large Members" of the Commission to staggered one and two year appointments. In addition, the Chairman committed to return to the Board with proposed revisions to the current ordinance to restructure the nomination and appointment process.

Under the proposal, the current appointment process for "At-Large Members" process be replaced with a structure that expands the role of individual Supervisors in the nomination process. With the April Board action, the Board of Supervisors established an annual appointment cycle for three of the six "At-Large Members". The proposal is to rotate nominations to two Supervisors each year, with each District assigned a specific category for nomination, either Health or Education. The third nomination would be from the incumbent Supervisor serving on the Commission. The assigned Supervisor would be responsible for nominating at least 2 but no more than 3 candidates for appointment.

C. Report on the outcome of the Commission's Partnership with the Fifth Supervisorial District for the South County 2011 Children and Youth Summit *(Report)*

The first Children and Youth Summit for South Orange County is scheduled for September 30th. This event is organized by Supervisor Patricia Bates and is co-sponsored by the Commission.

We will provide a report on the event in the Supplemental Transmittal to your Commission.

D. Progress Report on the Collaborative Capacity Building Project *(Report)*

There are no major developments or milestones to report on since the September Commission meeting. A detailed progress report will be provided at the November Commission meeting.