Minutes For March 23, 2004

The Solano County Board of Supervisors met in regular session on this day at 8:35 a.m. Chairman Silva called the meeting to order. Present were Supervisors Kondylis, Kromm, Vasquez and Chairman Silva; Supervisor Forney was excused.

CLOSED SESSION: The Board moved into Closed Session at 8:36 a.m. to discuss Litigation: California Farm Bureau Federation, et al. v. California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, et al. The Board moved out of Closed Session at 8:47 a.m.

The Solano County Board of Supervisors reconvened on this day at 9:00 a.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

PRESENTATIONS

(Item 7A) PRESENTATION BY LOUIS BURGELIN RE RECRUITMENT OF GRAND JURORS

Louis Burgelin, Solano County Grand Jury, encouraged the Board to maintain Fouts Springs Juvenile Facility in the current levels, voiced concern that no nominations were submitted last year by the Board of Supervisors, spoke regarding the difficulties in recruiting Grand Jurors, and encouraged the Board to submit nominations. Mr. Burgelin reviewed the requirements to become a Grand Juror, the selection process, eligibility requirements, duties and responsibilities of the Grand Jury, and again requested the Board submit nominations.

(Item 7B) RESOLUTION NO. 2004-039 RECOGNIZING APRIL 2004 AS SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH, ADOPTED

On motion of Supervisor Vasquez and seconded by Supervisor Kromm, the Board acted to adopt Resolution No. 2004-039. So ordered by a vote of 4-0; Supervisor Forney excused. (see Resolution Book)

On behalf of the Board, Supervisor Vasquez presented the resolution to Sybil Bracken appearing on behalf of Cheryl Franklin-Golden, of SafeQuest Solano.

(Item 7C) RESOLUTION NO. 2004-040 RECOGNIZING APRIL 1, 2004 AS CHILDREN'S LIGHT OF HOPE DAY, ADOPTED

On motion of Supervisor Kondylis and seconded by Supervisor Kromm, the Board acted to adopt Resolution No. 2004-040. So ordered by a vote of 4-0; Supervisor Forney excused. (see Resolution Book)

On behalf of the Board, Supervisor Kondylis presented resolutions to Maria Moses, Solano County's Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) Program, and Laura Fowler Deputy Director of Child Welfare Services for their work on behalf of abused and neglected children.

Ms. Moses accepted the resolution on behalf of the volunteers and workers, thanked the Board for their support of CASA, and discussed improving the lives of children, the CASA program, the importance of the volunteers and the hope they bring to the children of the County.

Ms. Fowler thanked all for continuing to pursue the CASA program, and discussed how the program is helping children.

(Item 7D) RESOLUTION NO. 2004-041 RECOGNIZING MARCH 29 THROUGH APRIL 2, 2004 AS NATIONAL YOUTH VIOLENCE PREVENTION WEEK, ADOPTED

On motion of Supervisor Kromm and seconded by Supervisor Kondylis, the Board acted to adopt Resolution No. 2004-041. So ordered by a vote of 4-0; Supervisor Forney excused. (see Resolution Book)

On behalf of the Board, Supervisor Kromm presented resolutions to Sheryl Fairchild, Child Assault Prevention Project, and Rita Iravani, Safe From The Start.

Ms. Iravani presented Ms. Fairchild with a basket of 300 erasers with a slogan to "Erase Violence" that are to be used in the public awareness campaign.

Ms. Fairchild noted the importance of working with the youngest children to make a long-term difference, prevention and early intervention, and discussed the life long effects violence has on

children.

Ms. Iravani discussed the Safe From the Start Program, how society is robbed with children's exposure to violence, and introduced Natalie Silva, Victim Witness Assistant, and Detective Tim Baffico.

Supervisor Kondylis discussed the effects of violence on the brain development of children and the life-long effects.

(Item 7E) RESOLUTION NO. 2004-042 RECOGNIZING MARCH 2004 AS NATIONAL PROFESSIONAL SOCIAL WORK MONTH, ADOPTED

On motion of Supervisor Vasquez and seconded by Supervisor Kondylis, the Board acted to adopt Resolution No. 2004-042. So ordered by a vote of 4-0; Supervisor Forney excused. (see Resolution Book)

On behalf of the Board, Supervisor Vasquez presented the resolution to Laura Fowler, Deputy Director Solano County Child Welfare Services, and noted the responsibilities of the Board to improve the lives of children.

Ms. Fowler accepted the resolution on behalf of all the Social Workers in Solano County, recognized the unique attributes a Social Worker has and how they want to make a difference in the lives of people, how courageous a Social Worker is, and thanked the Board for honoring all Social Workers.

(Item 7F) RESOLUTION NO. 2004-043 RECOGNIZING ANNA JOHNSON UPON HER RETIREMENT FOR HER MANY YEARS OF SERVICE TO SOLANO COUNTY, AND PLAQUE OF APPRECIATION, APPROVED

On motion of Supervisor Kondylis and seconded by Supervisor Vasquez, the Board acted to adopt Resolution No. 2004-043. The Board further acted to authorize a Plaque of Appreciation for Anna Johnson. So ordered by a vote of 4-0; Supervisor Forney excused. (see Resolution Book)

On behalf of the Board, Supervisor Kondylis presented Ms. Johnson with Resolution No. 2004-043 and a Plaque of Appreciation honoring her upon her retirement after 37 years of service to Solano County as an employee in the Department of Health and Social Services.

Following a standing ovation, Ms. Johnson noted the many changes that have taken place during her tenure, the collaborative efforts, thanked the Board, the people of Health and Social Services and her family for their support.

Supervisor Kromm noted the dedication and humanitarian service of Ms. Johnson to bring services to people in need.

ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR

APPEARANCE BY JACKIE DOLLAR HARRISON, RE NAPA-SOLANO HEAD START

Jackie Dollar Harrison, Executive Director of Child Start, Inc. that operates the Head Start Program in Napa and Solano Counties. Ms. Harrison provided the Board with a booklet about the Napa-Solano Head Start Program, incorporated herein by reference, and a brief update on the program. Ms. Harrison outlined this community based program and services they provide, but voiced concern regarding the national movement by the current administration to dismantle the Head Start Program. Ms. Harrison noted the long-term benefits of Head Start, the dramatic decline in advocacy for children's programs at the national level, outlined the strong concerns, a call to action to help in opposing Senate Bill 1940, the Head Start Reauthorization act, and to ask our legislators to help protect the Head Start Program.

Responding to questions posed by Supervisor Vasquez regarding the proposed cuts, Ms. Harrison noted flat funding for 2004/05 that would mean about 30,000 children nationally would not receive Head Start services; the problem is the reauthorization bill systematically dismantles the program.

APPEARANCE BY DR. CHLOE BOETTCHER REGARDING THE 2004 BIOSOLIDS SPREADING SEASON

Dr. Chloe Boettcher, Solano County Citizens Advisor Committee regarding biosolids, voiced concern with the spreading of biosolids over the last eight years, the beginning of the biosolids spreading season on April 14, 2004, requested to agendized biosolids for an update, efforts to get additional national research funding to study biosolids pollution, and requested the matter be

agendized prior to April 14, 2004 to address new problems as a result of the amended statutes. The issue of wording is with "gusting" versus "sustained" gusts.

APPEARANCE BY DAVID AVILA RE DAIRY EMISSIONS

David Avila, Western Dairy Design, provided the Board with a document titled "Dairy Gases", incorporated herein by reference, which provides information from "A Well Designed Dairy". These facts are about air emissions from dairies that were generated from two EPA approved programs, and that indicate there is very little effect on Vacaville and Dixon.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON CONSENT CALENDAR

(Item 19B) Authorize the Solano County Substance Abuse Administrator to sign the California Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs Safe and Drug Free Schools and Communities Grant Agreement in the amount of \$592,589 for the period of September 1, 2003 through August 31, 2006

(Item 19C) Approval of agreements with Vallejo City Unified School District in the amount of \$148,569 and Vallejo Community Consortium in the amount of \$302,865, both for the period of April 1, 2004 through August 31, 2006 to implement It's Working Program for reduction of access to tobacco and alcohol; approval to add FY2003/04 Unanticipated Revenue funds in the amount of \$61,000 to the FY2003/04 Budget

Donald Tipton, Vallejo, noted support for the programs, voiced concern regarding Item 19B regarding the lack of communication with the Homeacres Improvement Association on the status of the Beverly Hills Elementary School as serving economically disadvantaged families, which is where the children of Homeacres attend school. With Item 19C the Sheriff and the County need to be involved to reduce the crime and drug problems in the area, and communications in the area need to be improved.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

On motion of Supervisor Kondylis and seconded by Supervisor Vasquez, the Board acted to approve the submitted Agenda, incorporated herein by reference. So ordered by a vote of 4-0; Supervisor Forney excused.

CONSENT CALENDAR

On motion of Supervisor Kondylis and seconded by Supervisor Vasquez, the Board acted to approve the following Consent Calendar items by a vote of 4-0; Supervisor Forney excused.

- (Item 13) MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING OF FEBRUARY 24, 2004 AND MARCH 9, 2004; IN-HOME SUPPORTIVE SERVICES PUBLIC AUTHORITY MARCH 9, 2004; RURAL NORTH VACAVILLE WATER DISTRICT MARCH 9, 2004, as outlined in the Agenda Submittal from the Clerk of the Board dated March 23, 2003, incorporated herein by reference, approved.
- (Item 14) RESOLUTION NO. 2004-044 ESTABLISHING SPECIAL APPEALS HEARING COMPENSATION RATES FOR THE MEMBERS AND ALTERNATES OF THE SOLANO COUNTY ASSESSMENT APPEALS BOARD, adopted. (see Resolution Book)
- (Item 15) AUDIT REPORT OF THE INMATE WELFARE FUND FOR FISCAL YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2003 AND 2002, as outlined in the Agenda Submittal from the Auditor-Controller dated March 23, 2004, incorporated herein by reference, approved.
- (Item 16) AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT WITH CALIFORNIA INDUSTRIAL HYGIENE SERVICES RE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES, as outlined in the Agenda Submittal from Human Resources dated March 23, 2004, incorporated herein by reference, approved and Director of Human Resources authorized to sign said contract on behalf of Solano County.

- (Item 17) CERTIFICATION AND RESULTS OF THE PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION, HELD MARCH 2, 2004, as outlined in the Agenda Submittal from the Registrar of Voters dated March 23, 2004, incorporated herein by reference, approved.
- (Item 18) RESOLUTION NO. 2004-045 RENEWING DELEGATION OF INVESTMENT AUTHORITY TO THE TREASURER-TAX COLLECTOR-COUNTY CLERK, adopted. (see Resolution Book)
- (Item 19A) RESOLUTION NO. 2004-046 AMENDING THE LIST OF NUMBERS AND CLASSIFICATIONS OF POSITIONS (HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES), adopted. (see Resolution Book)
- (Item 19B) SOLANO COUNTY SUBSTANCE ABUSE ADMINISTRATOR DESIGNATED AS AUTHORIZED OFFICIAL AND AUTHORIZED SIGNATOR RE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF ALCOHOL AND DRUG PROGRAMS SAFE AND DRUG FREE SCHOOLS AND COMMUNITIES GRANT AGREEMENT, as outlined in the Agenda Submittal from Health and Social Services dated March 23, 2004, incorporated herein by reference, approved.
- (Item 19C) AGREEMENTS WITH VALLEJO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT AND VALLEJO COMMUNITY CONSORTIUM RE IT'S WORKING PROGRAM, as outlined in the Agenda Submittal from Health and Social Services dated March 23, 2004, incorporated herein by reference, approved and Chairman authorized to sign said contracts on behalf of Solano County.

APPROPRIATION TRANSFER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$61,000 TO ADD UNANTICIPATED REVENUE FUNDS TO THE FY 2003/04 BUDGET, as outlined in the Agenda Submittal from Health and Social Services dated March 23, 2004, incorporated herein by reference, approved.

(Item 20A) RESOLUTION NO. 2004-047 AMENDING THE LIST OF NUMBERS AND CLASSIFICATIONS OF POSITIONS (DISTRICT ATTORNEY), adopted. (see Resolution Book)

(Item 20B) RESOLUTION NO. 2004-048 AUTHORIZING THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY TO RENEW THE CONTRACT STATE BOARD OF CONTROL, VICTIM COMPENSATION AND GOVERNMENT CLAIMS BOARD AS AN EIGHTH YEAR PROJECT IN SOLANO COUNTY, adopted. (see Resolution Book)

SPECIAL DISTRICTS GOVERNED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

(Item 21) East Vallejo Fire Protection District: Hold Quarterly Meeting: No business to conduct

ORDERS

SPECIAL DISTRICTS GOVERNED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS: (Item 23) IN-HOME SUPPORTIVE SERVICES PUBLIC AUTHORITY

Minutes regarding this matter are contained in the In-Home Supportive Services Public Authority Minutes Book.

(Item 24A) \$240,000 OF 2003/2004 UNSPENT TOBACCO MASTER SETTLEMENT FUNDING TO BE USED TO MAINTAIN SERVICE LEVELS IN PUBLIC HEALTH AND FAMILY HEALTH SERVICES

The Board was provided with an Agenda Submittal from the Department of Health and Social Services dated March 23, 2004, incorporated herein by reference, regarding reducing service levels in Public Health and Family Health Services.

Director of Health and Social Services Patrick Duterte reviewed the information contained in a memorandum dated March 23, 2004, incorporated herein by reference, noted backfilling programs at the June budget hearings in the amount of \$500,000 for Public Health from the Inter-Governmental Transfer Fee, the suspension of the program by the Federal Government, work by the department to reduce the shortfall now totaling \$312,000, projected cuts to makeup the shortfall and to ensure there are funds for direct services, the remaining core programs, programs being cut to the bone in Public Health, the way the cuts were determined, and work that will be done to ensure we get the most for every dollar that is spent. Mr. Duterte noted a correction, after evaluation the Pediatrician position will not be cut, cuts will be taken in contracts and other areas to ensure the kids are served.

Responding to guestions posed by Supervisor Kromm regarding the table on page 4 of the staff report, Mr. Duterte noted the .8 Clinic Physician under Family Health Services would not be cut. Mr. Duterte noted meeting with Donna Wapner, the Tobacco Master Settlement Agreement (MSA) Advisory Committee Chairperson, Jim Trimble of the Benicia Police Department who is the Chair of the Reduce Rates of Alcohol Tobacco and Other Drugs (ATOD) to review the Beilensen cuts, discussion of the 2004/05 budget, the State budget, and proposals the MSA Committee will make. Ms. Wapner thanked the Board for forming the MSA Advisory Board, noted the Advisory Committee has spent countless hours becoming familiar with the strategic plan that the Board adopted, the proposed three year funding allocations, analysis of year to date expenditures of the MSA funds, and the projection of approximately \$480,000 that will not be spent from the 2003/2004 allocation. Ms. Wapner outlined reasons why the reducing rates activities have not spent all the funding that was allocated, feels next year the reducing rates activities will be at full speed. The proposed cuts are for core services that will affect the health care strategies that are part of the MSA Strategic Plan, and suggested the Board consider using \$240,000 of the unspent MSA funds to meet the budget needs of Health and Social Services. Ms. Wapner suggested the remaining unspent funds be encumbered for use in the 2004/2005 Budget Year as an addition to the funds originally allocated. The MSA Advisory Board will continue to work with the Board for recommendations that are made with the understanding of the larger and often-competing health issues facing the County. Supervisor Kromm posed questions regarding using the \$240,000 to help the County with the Public Health Funding, voiced concern regarding shortfalls that will appear again in 2004/05 and how those shortfalls will be addressed, Ms. Wapner noted the MSA Advisory Committee will be meeting the Mr. Duterte and CAO staff in April to begin reviewing what the 2004/2005 budget will look like, and what possibilities are for recommendations to the Board for the 2004/2005 MSA funding allocations. The groups need to work closely together.

Responding to questions posed by Supervisor Kondylis regarding accepting the funding and how that would affect layoffs, Mr. Duterte noted the overall shortfall is \$312,000, if the Board accepts the recommendation of the MSA Advisory Board to take \$240,000, take the physicians \$28,000 salary off, and the remaining \$44,000 would be covered by the position vacancies. There would be no positions cut.

Responding to questions posed by Supervisor Kondylis regarding how the deficit would be handled during budget so that if necessary the Board can backfill essential core program services, County Administrator Michael Johnson noted work with the departments, following Board approved budget policies, to formulate a balanced budget, reviewed the Board priorities, discussed growth in Health and Social Services through State and Federally funded programs and the difficult ties if the State now cuts those programs, anticipating the use of \$4 million from General Reserves, but is taking consideration of the reserves and to adhere to the Board policies and priorities.

Supervisor Kondylis noted the importance of letting the public know that all departments will share the pain of the State budget cuts, the MSA money and the Proposition 10 money were suppose to go to enhance what the County already does, but when the County is forced to look at drastic cuts in core programs it makes sense to use some of the MSA money to keep those core programs in place, especially the ones concerning children.

Carl Young, Executive Director North Bay Veterans Reintegration Program, noted how instrumental Patrick Stasio, Health and Social Services, has been in assisting with the Veterans Stand Downs as well as getting out into the field to work with the homeless to get them back into the mainstream. Mr. Young read a piece from the National Coalition of Homeless Veterans about funding cuts to the Section 8 Housing Voucher Program and discussed how that will affect the County. Mr. Young noted it does no good to do outreach when you have no place to put these people, the County correctional facilities are becoming our safety nets for the homeless, feels the County does not need anymore anti-homeless ordinances, we need to give these people a hand up, and discussed the work he and Patrick Stasio are doing to help the homeless. Mr. Young requested that Mr. Stasio remain assigned to do homeless outreach, noted increasing homelessness in the County, and requested further research be done to get grants and endowments to help the homeless.

Rischa Slade, Heather House, asked if Patrick Stasio would remain as a homeless outreach Public Health Nurse, responding Interim Public Health Officer Mark Maus noted Mr. Stasio would remain in his current position.

Ms. Slade noted her history with homeless programs in the County, provided a brochure that is to be distributed to the homeless in Vacaville, incorporated herein by reference, that provides information on available services, noted the extensive field work done by Patrick Stasio with the homeless and how much he is needed to continue this work, the increasing need for homeless services, and noted several of the employees at Heather House have elected to forgo pay raises to keep costs down.

Mr. Duterte noted the reallocation of the MSA funds would be used for the add backs, and read a memorandum dated March 19, 2004, incorporated herein by reference, listing the add back priorities.

On motion of Supervisor Kondylis and seconded by Supervisor Vasquez, the Board acted to approve reallocation of \$240,000 of the "Tobacco Master Settlement unspent funding from 2003/2004 to be used to fund proposed Health and Social Services program cuts. So ordered by a vote of 4-0; Supervisor Forney excused.

(Item 24B) ESTABLISHMENT OF A VALLEJO DENTAL CLINIC DELAYED

Assistant Director of Health and Social Services Moira Sullivan reviewed the information contained in the Agenda Submittal from her office dated March 23, 2004, incorporated herein by reference, regarding delaying implementation of a new dental clinic in Vallejo, and reviewed a number of options that are being considered.

Responding to questions posed by Supervisor Kondylis regarding how long the opening would be delayed, Ms. Sullivan noted uncertainty for opening a clinic and further discussed work being done by La Clinica to qualify as a Federally Qualified Health Center that could include a dental clinic in their Vallejo facility, and noted a community meeting where the options will be reviewed. Ms. Sullivan discussed the possibility of a mobile clinic that could also visit Vacaville, Dixon, and Rio Vista that are in need of dental services.

Supervisor Kromm noted the extensive costs surrounding dental services, voiced concern regarding a mobile clinic, responding Ms. Sullivan noted that a dental clinic would be revenue generating on a fee for service basis.

A short discussion followed regarding the County clinics becoming Federally Certified.

On motion of Supervisor Kondylis and seconded by Supervisor Vasquez, the Board acted to approve the delay of establishment of a dental clinic in Vallejo, and to direct staff to return mid September with an update on the program. So ordered by a vote of 4-0; Supervisor Forney excused.

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

On motion of Supervisor Kondylis and seconded by Supervisor Vasquez, the Board acted to approve the following appointments and/or resignations to Boards and Commission. So ordered by a vote of 4-0; Supervisor Forney excused.

(Item 25A) MICHAEL J. ROGERS REAPPOINTED TO THE AREA 4 BOARD ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES, as outlined in the agenda submittal dated March 23, 2004, incorporated herein by reference, for a term to expire December 31, 2006, approved.

(Item 25B) SHEILA GRANT REAPPOINTED TO THE ANIMAL CARE ADVISORY COMMITTEE, as outlined in the agenda submittal dated March 23, 2004, incorporated herein by reference, for a term to expire March 23, 2008, approved.

ADJOURN - This meeting of the Board of Supervisors adjourned at 11:58 a.m.

JOHN F. SILVA, Chairman	
Maggie Jimenez	
Clerk to the Board of Supervisors	