

**MEMORANDUM**  
OFFICE OF THE  
**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**  
COUNTY OF PLACER COUNTY

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors

FROM: Roger Ingram, County Director, Farm and Home Advisor, University of California,  
Cooperative Extension

DATE: June 21, 2011

SUBJECT: Placer County Youth Commission – adopt a Resolution amending Resolution #2009-116  
Establishing the Placer County Youth Commission; adding Placer County Office of  
Education as a new lead partner.

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**ACTION REQUESTED**

It is requested that the Board adopt a resolution amending Resolution #2009-116 adding the Placer County Office of Education as a partner in providing support and advisory staff to the operations of the Placer County Youth Commission.

**BACKGROUND**

On May 12, 2009 with Resolution 2009-116, the Board approved the formation of The Placer County Youth Commission as an advisory body to the Board of Supervisors. The stated purpose of the Placer County Youth Commission is to integrate the youth voice into local policymaking and engage the community to create positive change. The Commission is also tasked with organizing activities to help educate and motivate youth of Placer County to participate in the local political process.

It was resolved that the University of California Cooperative Extension of Placer County (UCCE) and Placer County HHS work together to provide initial guidance to Commission. Recently, UCCE's Youth Development Advisor (the Youth Commission lead) took a State position and there is no current authorization to refill the Youth Development Advisor position. Therefore, it is requested to amend the resolution to add the Placer County Office of Education as a new lead partner in staffing and supporting the Placer County Youth Commission. UCCE will remain a partner providing website hosting, clerical, and technical support to the Commission and if future staffing is available may opt to resume providing lead advisory staff. HHS staff will continue providing staff in an adult advisor role to support Youth Commission activities.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

The Placer County Office of Education will provide in-kind resources to support the Youth Commission through assignment of an advisory staff person. In kind support of the Placer County Youth Commission will continue from the University of California Cooperative Extension and Health and Human Services.

# Before the Board of Supervisors County of Placer, State of California

In the matter of:  
**A Resolution amending Resolution #2009-116  
Establishing the Placer County Youth Commission**

Resolution No: \_\_\_\_\_  
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The following RESOLUTION was duly passed by the Board of Supervisors of the  
County of Placer at a regular meeting held July 12, 2011 by the following vote on roll call:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Signed and approved by me after its passage.

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Robert M. Weygandt,  
Chairman, Board of Supervisors

**Attest:**  
**Clerk of said Board**

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**Ann Holman**

Whereas, it is recognized that a youth perspective on issues which pertain to the youth in the community is an important part of decision making in the County of Placer; and

Whereas, there is value in having a mechanism for youth to have a voice in County affairs and issues relating to youth; and

Whereas, the youth in the County desire the opportunity to demonstrate their willingness to become contributing members of Placer County; and

Whereas, the Board of Supervisors has determined there is a need to create a Youth Commission for the County of Placer; and

Whereas, the Board of Supervisors finds that the establishment of a Youth Commission is in the best interests of Placer County.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Placer County Youth Commission is hereby established as an Advisory Board to the Board of Supervisors. The Placer County Youth Commission integrates the youth voice into local policymaking by researching youth issues and concerns, relating their findings and positions to local policy makers, and engaging the community to create positive change;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Placer County Youth Commission shall organize activities to help educate and motivate youth of Placer County to participate in the local political process;

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Commission shall be governed by these general rules as described below;

THE COMMISSION shall:

- Recognize that the meetings of this Commission shall be subject to the California Open Meeting laws, known as the "Brown Act".
- Consist of fifteen (15) members who shall be youth between 14 – 21 years of age, except that a youth that has not reached the age of 14 but is entering the 9<sup>th</sup> grade may be appointed.
- All appointments to this Commission will be made by the Board of Supervisors and all members shall serve one year terms.
- An individual may sit for a maximum of four full terms, except that anyone who turns 22 years of age during their term may not be re-appointed.
- Every effort shall be made to have at least one youth member from each supervisorial district within Placer County.
- Prepare an annual report to the Board of Supervisors, with the first report to be delivered on or about June 1, 2010.
- The University of California Cooperative Extension (UCCE) of Placer County, the Placer County Health and Human Services Department *and the Placer County Office of Education* will work together to provide guidance to the Commission:
  - *The UCCE will remain a partner providing website hosting, clerical, and technical support to the Commission and if future staffing is available may opt to resume providing lead advisory staff, and*
  - *HHS staff will continue providing staff in an adult advisor role to support Youth Commission activities, and*
  - *The Placer County Office of Education will act as a new lead partner in staffing and supporting the Placer County Youth Commission.*
- All other details relating to the composition, eligibility and terms of appointments and other functions of the Commission shall be governed by a set of bylaws that will be approved by a 2/3rds majority of the Youth Commission.

