DATE: June 8, 2017 AGENDA ITEM: G

TO: BSCC Chair and Members

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SUBJECT: Proud Parenting Appointment of Chair and Establishment of Executive

Steering Committee: Requesting Approval

Summary

This agenda item requests approval to establish an Executive Steering Committee (ESC) to oversee the development of a Request for Proposals (RFP) for the Proud Parenting Grant Program. Staff is also requesting the following: that the Board approve the appointment of Board member Michael Ertola, Chief Probation Officer of Nevada County as Chair of the ESC to oversee the grant development process; to permit staff to work with the ESC Chair to develop ESC membership; and to delegate authority to the Chair to modify ESC membership if needed. This ESC activity is subject to a state budget appropriation.

Background

The Proud Parenting Grant Program, previously known as the Young Men as Fathers Program, was originally established in 1997 under the California Youth Authority. In 2005, the Corrections Standards Authority assumed grant administration responsibility for the program and in 2012, upon its establishment, the Board of State and Community Corrections assumed responsibility. The intent of this grant program is to fund parenting services to young parents between the ages of 14 and 25 who were involved in the criminal/juvenile justice systems and/or are considered crossover youth within the child welfare system. The Proud Parenting Grant Program is aimed at breaking the intergenerational cycle of violence and delinquency by increasing parenting knowledge, improving attitudes about responsible parenting, relationships between parents and their children as well as providing necessary life-skills training and self-esteem of the youthful program participants.

The annual state budget historically provides \$835,000 for the Proud Parenting Grant Program. There are no administrative funds provided for this Program.

The current grant cycle ends on June 30, 2018. It includes seven grantees that have been funded from the last three Fiscal Year appropriations. Subject to a continued similar annual appropriation, staff is proposing the formation of an ESC to oversee the development of a competitive RFP solicitation in fiscal year 2017-18 for a grant cycle to begin on July 1, 2018 so there will be no break in funding to the field for these service purposes.

Proposed Activities and Tentative Timeline:

Below is the proposed activities and tentative timeline necessary to administer a competitive RFP process for the Proud Parenting Grant Program.

TENTATIVE TIMELINE	ACTIVITY
June 8, 2017	Present ESC agenda item to BSCC
July – August 2017	Establishment of the Proud Parenting ESC
September – October 2017	ESC convenes and RFP development occurs
November 9, 2017	Present the RFP for BSCC Board approval
November 10, 2017	Release the RFP to the field
Early December 2017	Bidders Conference
Late January 2018	Proposals due to BSCC
February 2018	ESC Rater Training
March 2018	ESC rating of proposals complete
April 2018	Present funding recommendations to the BSCC Board
May – June 2018	Contract development
July 1, 2018	Contract start date for new projects

Recommendation/Action Needed

Staff recommends that the Board:

- 1. Authorize an ESC to oversee the development of the Proud Parenting Grant Program Request for Proposals (RFP) and grant recommendations
- 2. Appoint Board Member Michael Ertola, Chief Probation Officer of Nevada County to serve as Chair of the ESC
- 3. Delegate authority to the Chair to work with BSCC staff to establish an ESC membership and to modify membership if needed.