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JOINT RULES COMMITTEE TELECONFERENCE MEETING MINUTES

March 13, 2015

10:30AM-1:00PM

Chair: Senior Assembly Member Lauren Rolfe
Vice Chair: Senior Senator Michael LePeilbet
Vice Chair: Senior Assembly Member Ellie Bloch

I. Call To Order

The Joint Rules Committee Meeting was called to order by Chair, SA Rolfe at 10:42 a.m.

Invocation by SA Martin

Pledge of Allegiance was led by SA Molnar

II. Roll Call

Present: **Senior Senators:** Allan Bortel, Sonja Martin

Senior Assembly Members: Charles Molnar, Eleanor Bloch, Shirley Krohn, Lauren Rolfe, Anne Warren

Staff: Janice Bailey, Staff Services Manager

Excused Absences: Allan Hurst, Nina Frazier (A), Bernard Weintraub, Michael LePeilbet, Ted Kagan (A), Jack Alderson, Joanna Kim-Selby (A), Alice Loh

A quorum was established.

III. Introductions

No guests were present on the call.

IV. Public Comments

A. Chair Rolfe provided recap of Dennis O’Sullivan comments and Richard Dahlgren’s comments.

Discussion/Action Items

V. Approve Agenda of March 13, 2015

SA Molnar moved to approve the agenda. SA Krohn seconded the motion. Agenda approved as presented.

Record of Vote:

Yes	No	Abstention
Molnar		
Bortel		

Martin		
Bloch		
Krohn		
Rolfe		
Warren		

VI. Review of Donations and Current YTD Trend

Chair Rolfe provided overview of donations and current YTD trend.

VII. Financial Projections and Assumptions

SSM reviewed Budget & Finance Report dated March 6, 2015. Reviewed current trends and budget and expenditures as of January 31, 2015. Assumptions are based on current donation trend, budget and expenditures summary (January 31, 2015), and SMIF balance as of March 3, 2015 (provided by DGS Contract Fiscal).

VIII. Ratification of Emergency Executive Committee Action

SA Warren moved to ratify the emergency JRC Executive Committee Action of spending \$10,000 from the CFoA for radio, print and social media advertising. SA Krohn seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Record of Vote:

Yes	No	Abstention
Molnar		
Bortel		
Martin		
Bloch		
Krohn		
Rolfe		
Warren		

IX. Potential Cost Cutting Measures

A. LEG Travel for FY 14-15

SA Bloch moved to cancel the LEG meeting in June for entire committee and just have the LEG Chair and Vice Chairs assign proposals to committee in June. SS Martin seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Record of Vote:

Yes	No	Abstention
Molnar		
Bortel		
Martin		
Bloch		
Krohn		
Rolfe		

Warren		
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- B. Additional Voluntary Furlough for Staff
 The SSM is already taking 1 voluntary furlough day per month for a savings of 5% of salary. Chair Rolfe indicated that it would be difficult for staff to take an additional day given the workload. No motion was made and item was tabled.
- C. Options to Cut Session Costs
1. Chair Rolfe reviewed spreadsheet of options including review of costs to continue as planned, to cut session to 2 day with no banquet, virtual session and no session.
 2. SA Warren moved to conduct a regular session with few reduced costs in 2015. SS Bortel seconded the motion. Motion did not carry.

Record of Vote:

Yes	No	Abstention
Molnar		
Bortel		
	Martin	
	Bloch	
	Krohn	
	Rolfe	
Warren		

Meeting was adjourned at 1:10pm.

SA=Senior Assembly Member
 SS=Senior Senator
 SSM=Staff Services Manager