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**Joint Rules Committee Meeting Minutes**

Concord Hilton Hotel  
1970 Diamond Blvd.  
Concord, CA 94520  
April 26-27, 2006

**Wednesday, April 26, 2006**

- I. Call to Order, Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance  
The April 26-27, 2006 California Senior Legislature (CSL) Joint Rules Committee (JRC) meeting was called to order by Chair Senior Senator Jim Levy on April 26, 2006, at 10:00 a.m. at the Concord Hilton Hotel, Concord, CA. Senior Assembly Member June Glasmeier, gave the invocation and Senior Senator Joe Cox, Vice Chair, led the Pledge Of Allegiance.
- II. Roll Call  
Present: Senior Senators Joe Cox, Connie Eaton, Audrey Formosa and Jim Levy. Senior Assembly Members June Glasmeier, Helen Karr, Austin Lucero, Billie Taylor and Lola Young.  
  
Members excused: Senior Senators Mary Dennison and Jerry Smith. Senior Assembly Member Sharon Monck, and Alternate Senior Senator Dee Erman.  
  
A quorum was established.
- III. Introductions: Mr. Bill Hollabaugh
- IV. The agenda was approved with the following changes:
  - XX. A. Add "and International Elder Abuse Day on June 15, 2006." and
  - D. Purchase of Envelopes
  - XXI. Add Logo and Letterhead
- V. The Minutes of the March 21-22, 2006 meeting were approved with the following changes:
  - VII. Fundraising and Grant Program– Delete Senior Assembly Member Monck discussed issues with Senior Senator Levy and Senior Assembly Member Karr.
  - XI. Bill AB 2486 approval 10 Yes and 1 No.

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VI. California Commission on Aging (CCoA) Executive Director Sandra Fitzpatrick's Report

California Commission on Aging

1. Meeting schedule through 2007 has been adopted with the final 2005-2006 meeting date to be May 11, 2006, in Sacramento.
2. Speaker Assembly Member Nunez has appointed Hank Lacayo and Tom Rowe as Commissioners.
3. The Senior Summit will be held on May 12, 2006.
4. Work has begun on a White House Conference in California.
5. A survey of pre/post White House Conference on Aging delegates' expectations has been adopted.

California Senior Legislature

1. The Interagency Agreement between the State Controller and CSL will be signed by Senior Senator Jim Levy as JRC Chair.
2. As a State entity, CSL is required to have Worker's Compensation Insurance.
3. Accounts with CalPERS (Public Employees Retirement System) and the Department of General Services have been established.
4. Duties involving CSL's separation were reviewed.
5. Travel Expense Claims (TECs) should be sent into the CCoA as soon as possible.
6. The JRC Chair will supervise staff effective July 1, 2006.
7. A new Office Technician will be assigned to CSL on July 1, 2006.
8. June Hamilton will be on vacation from June 22 – July 14, 2006.
9. Officers and Directors' Insurance to cover the JRC will be investigated.

**The JRC Meeting recessed from 12:00 noon – 1:00 p.m.**

**The JRC Meeting reconvened at 1:00 pm**

VII. Chair Senior Senator Levy's Report

1. A moment of silence was observed in honor of Senator Al Alquist, Senator Ed Davis and Eileen Agor, the daughter of Senior Assembly Member Vince Agor and Virginia Agor.
2. A letter of Commitment from the State Controller's Office has been requested.
3. A third request for a copy of the Resolution relating to Worker's Compensation volunteer coverage will be sent to the Department of Aging.
4. The last CSL election will be on May 16.
5. SB 1249 (Alquist) will be heard in the Revenue and Taxation Committee on April 26, 2006.

**The JRC Meeting recessed at 5:20 p.m. – until 9:00 a.m. Thursday, April 27, 2006**

**Thursday, April 27, 2006**

VIII. Roll Call

Present: Senior Senators Joe Cox, Connie Eaton, Audrey Formosa and Jim Levy. Senior Assembly Members June Glasmeier, Austin Lucero, Billie Taylor and Lola Young. Alternates Present: Senior Senators Dee Erman and Anne Mack.

Excused Absence: Senior Senators Mary Dennison and Jerry Smith. Senior Assembly Members Helen Karr and Sharon Monck.

A quorum was established.

Guests: Bill Hollabaugh, Seema Jaffee, Senior Senator Bob Jaffee and Senior Assembly Member Joanna Kim-Selby.

IX. Committee Meetings and Reports

- A. Policies and Procedures, Chair Senior Assembly Member Lucero  
An organizational chart will be prepared and sent to each team leader. The purpose of the chart is to improve communications between CSL, JRC and the senior population.

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- B. Public Relations, Chair Senior Senator Cox
  - 1. A letter to the editor should be sent by all CSL members on the results of the CSL election and purpose of CSL.
  - 2. Active participation of all CSL members is lacking.
  - 3. CSL members are urged to visit the CSL website on a regular basis.
  - 4. A press release for the convening of the 2006 Annual Session will be developed.
  - 5. The Public Relations Committee will prepare a Proclamation for the First International Elder Abuse Awareness Day, - June 15, 2006.
  - 6. Blogs and direct deposit receipts are two methods of fund raising that will be explored.
  
- C. Budget and Finance, JRC Chair Levy
  - 1. The CSL monthly financial report was reviewed.
  - 2. A letter to be sent to major donors will be prepared. Senior Senator Eaton moved that the dollar amount for the Platinum category be changed from \$15,000 to \$10,000. The motion passed with a second by Senior Senator Formosa. M/S/P
  
- D. Session Planning, Chair Senior Assembly Member Young
  - 1. Senior Assembly Member Lucero moved that the contracts for the reservation of rooms at the Hyatt Regency @ \$114/day and the banquets at the Sheraton Grand be signed. The motion, seconded by Senior Senator Formosa, passed. M/S/P
  - 2. Seema Jaffee has volunteered to be Assistant Volunteer Coordinator with the recommendation that Betty Soennichsen be the Volunteer Coordinator.  
Senior Senator Eaton moved that CSL cover the session expenses for both Betty Soennichsen and Seema Jaffee. Motion passed with a second from Senior Assembly Member Lucero. M/S/P
  - 3. Senior Senator Eaton moved that the JRC accept the terms of the \$4,250+ expenses contract for Hollabaugh to produce the Session Program Book. Motion passed with a second from Senior Senator Cox. M/S/P
  - 4. Senior Senator Eaton moved that the same cost for ads in the Program Book be adopted as those quoted last year. Senior Senator Formosa seconded the motion, which passed. M/S/P
  - 5. The task list was reviewed. Dr. Moria Fordyce will be the keynote speaker.
  - 6. Senior Senator Mack moved that the 26th Annual Session be dedicated to the memory of Senator Al Alquist for his 34 years of distinguished legislative service for improving the lives of Californians. The motion passed with a second by Senior Senator Eaton. M/S/P
  - 7. Letters of invitation will be sent to the Governor, as well as, Legislators to conduct the Floor Sessions.

**JRC Meeting recessed from 10:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. to attend the C4A Conference closing Session and Lunch.**

- X. Legislative Report – Vice-Chair Senior Senator Anne Mack
  - 1. Senior Senator Anne Mack moved that CSL support of SB 3040 be withdrawn. The motion passed with a second from Senior Senator Eaton. M/S/P
  - 2. Letters of Support will be written for AB 1248, SB 1312, SB 1609, AB 2486, AB 3040, AB 1928 and AB 1929. Senior Senator Erman moved that a letter of support be written for AB 1861. The motion passed. M/S/P.
  - 3. The Legislative Update dated April 26, 2006, was reviewed.
  - 4. The Legislative Committee's recommendation on each CSL bill will be supported.
  - 5. SB 1249 passed out of Revenue and Taxation Committee with a vote of 6 aye and 1 no.
  
- XI. Public Comment
  - 1. The N4A Recommendations for the 2006 Reauthorization of the Older Americans Act will be reviewed by the JRC members and brought forth for discussion at the June meeting.
  - 2. Distribution of flyer from Office of the District Attorney, Santa Clara County, "Resolve to be an Informed Consumer."
  - 3. Development of Alternate transportation needs in Contra Costa County.
  
- XII. Staff Report, June Hamilton, presented by Senior Senator Levy.
  - 1. Handled inquiries on CSL elections. Results of the elections will be received by May 19, 2006.
  - 2. Discussed strategies for the success of SB 1249. Copies of letters were sent to the CSL office from CSL members, as requested in a prior memo, showing support from 25 organizations for SB 1249.
  - 3. Attended the Hearing for AB 2738 (Wyland).
  - 4. Office supplies and material have been ordered for CSL to conduct business for three to four months.
  - 5. Attended a training class for State employees on April 24, 2006, and will attend another training course on May 3, 2006.
  
- XIII. Senior Assembly Member Austin Lucero moved that information sent to CSL members should be sent as part of the body of the e-mail in addition to an attachment. The motion passed with a second by Senior Senator Eaton. M/S/P
  
- XIV. Liaison Report - Senior Assembly Member Young  
Gray Panthers, Congress of California Seniors and the California Seniors Coalition will continue to support all CSL proposals.
  
- XV. Old Business
  - 1. Senior Senator Mack will write the Resolution on the repeal of Medicare D.
  - 2. Senior Senator Lucero moved that 5,000 donation envelopes be printed at a cost not to exceed \$550. Motion passed with a second from Senior Senator Eaton. M/S/P

XVI. New Business

1. Senior Assembly Member Austin Lucero moved that CSL adopt a policy that a percentage of monies generated from a Caucus be returned to the Caucus for incurred expenses Senior Senator Eaton moved the motion be tabled until the legality of the policy is learned. M/S/P
2. A copy of the proposed letterhead and logo will be sent to all JRC members for their input.
3. The Orientation of new members and last year's appointed CSL Members will be handled by a Buddy System. The Policies & Procedures Committee will write the procedure.

XVII. Correspondence

1. Senior Assembly Member Gould requested a Legislative Update
2. Senior Assembly Member Campbell requested information on training for Parliamentary law. The Chair will contact Senior Assembly Member Campbell regarding his request.
3. Senior Assembly Member Zelda Hutcherson on LA City PSA 25 election procedure. The JRC reviewed the CSL Resource Manual and requested the JRC Chair to contact Senior Senator Pasqual Bettio instructing him on the required procedures that need to be followed by any CSL member contesting the election results.

XVIII. The next JRC meeting will be held at 11:00 a.m. on June 13 - 14, 2006, at 1230 N Street, Room 201, Sacramento.

**The JRC meeting adjourned at 3:05 p.m.**

Minutes prepared by Senior Assembly Member June Glasmeier, Secretary, and approved by JRC Chair, Senior Senator Jim Levy, and approved by the JRC 6/20/06.