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Joint Rules Committee Meeting Minutes

Congress of California Seniors 1230 N Street, Room 201 Sacramento, CA 95814 June 20-21, 2006

Tuesday, June 20, 2006

I. Call to Order, Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance The June 20-21, 2006 California Senior Legislature (CSL) Joint Rules Committee (JRC) meeting was called to order by Chair Senior Senator Jim Levy on June 20, 2006 at 11:00 a.m. at the Congress of California Seniors, Sacramento, CA. The Invocation was given by Senior Assembly Member Sharon Monck and Senior Senator Joe Cox 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, Sharon Monck and Lola Young. Alternates Senior Senator Dee Erman and Anne Mack and Senior Assembly Member Joanna Kim Selby.

Members excused: Senior Senators Mary Dennison and Jerry Smith and Senior Assembly Member Billie Taylor.

A quorum was established.

Staff: June Hamilton

III. Introductions: Mr. Bill Hollabaugh

IV. The agenda was approved with the following changes:V. should read "Approve April 26-27 and June 9 Meeting Minutes".

VI. F (2) should read: Effective July 1, 2006, the JRC Chair shall approve the JRC Chair's Travel Expense Claims (TEC). The Vice Chair shall assume the responsibilities and duties of the Chair if the Chair becomes incapacitated or unreachable for a period in excess of ten working days. The JRC shall appoint either the Vice Chair of the Senior Senate or the Vice Chair of the Senior Assembly to assume these duties and responsibilities.

- V. The Minutes of the April 26-27, 2006 were approved as presented. The Minutes of the June 9, 2006 Teleconference Meeting were approved as presented.
- VI. Chair Senior Senator Jim Levy's Report
 A. The Interagency Agreement has been approved by the Controller's Office and the California Commission on Aging. The questions and answers on the

- Agreement were reviewed. The two items the Controller's Office will not provide are IT (Technical support) and Legal Service.
- B. The Workers' Compensation forms have been received and will be completed in the near future.
- C. In order to reduce costs. the Orientation for new members will be conducted by a buddy system which will be developed by the Policy and Procedures Sub-Committee.
- D. SB 1249 will be heard in Committee on 6/26/06 and probably on the Floor on 6/29/06.
- E. The election results were reviewed. PSA 27 has no candidate at this point in time. PSA 19 made an appointment which is being challenged and it is recommended that PSA 25 rerun the election among the 3 contestants with the vote of the full Advisory Board.
- F. Standing Rules Adoptions, Amendments and Repeals
- (1) Effective July 1, 2006 the JRC Chair shall approve all CSL invoices and all Travel Expense Claims (TEC) except his/her own. M/S/P
- (2) Effective July 1, 2006 the JRC Vice Chair shall approve the JRC Chair's Travel Expense Claims (TEC's). Amended to Read: Effective July 1, 2006 the Senior Senator Vice Chair shall approve the JRC Chair's Travel Expense Claims (TEC's). The Senior Senator Vice Chair shall assume the responsibilities and duties of the Chair if the Chair becomes unreachable for a period in excess of ten working days or incapacitated. The JRC Senior Assembly Member Vice Chair shall assume the responsibilities and duties of the Chair if the Chair and the Senior Senator Vice Chair become unreachable for a period in excess of ten working days or incapacitated. M/S/P
- (3) If on July 10, 2006 there are open seats for senior senate or senior assembly positions unfilled by any PSA, the JRC shall cast ballots for the candidates of their choice to fill these open positions. Motion withdrawn.
- 4) Effective July 1, 2006 the final resolution of an appeal shall be made by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the CSL Joint Rules Committee. M/S/P
- G. The proposals will be reviewed and assigned to the appropriate Policy Committee on June 28, 2006.
- H. Senior Senator Joe Cox moved the Organization Chart be adopted as presented with the addition of Senior Senator Vice Chair and Senior Assembly Vice Chair under Legislative Chair. M/S/P
- VII. CCoA Executive Director Sandi Fitzpatrick's Report Sandi Fitzpatrick introduced Program Analyst, Carol Sewell.

 A letter written by Sandi Fitzpatrick and distributed to the JRC members called out that at midnight on June 30, 2006 the CCoA will cease to be CSL's administrative entity and on July 1, 2006 CSL will become its own state entity. Financial restraint was emphasized, and in parting, Sandi wished CSL the best in the future.

VIII. California Senior Legislature Staff Report June Hamilton

- A. Sixty proposals have been received.
- B. Stressed the importance of a good relationship between CSL and all PSA's.
- C. Many doors are now open to CSL
- D. Important that the Chair and Past Chair work together.

The JRC recessed at 6:00 p.m. until 8:30 a.m., Wednesday, June 21, 2006.

Wednesday, June 21, 2006

IX. Roll Call

Present: Senior Senators Joe Cox, Connie Eaton, Audrey Formosa and Jim Levy. Senior Assembly Members June Glasmeier, Helen Karr, Austin Lucero, Sharon Monck and Lola Young.

Alternates: Senior Senators Dee Erman and Anne Mack and Senior Assembly Member Joanna Kim Selby.

A quorum was established

Excused Absences: Senior Senators Mary Dennison and Jerry Smith, and Senior Assembly Member Billie Taylor.

Staff: June Hamilton Guest: Bill Hollabaugh

X. Committee Meetings and Reports

Budget and Finance - Chair Senior Assembly Member Sharon Monck

- A. There is a \$91,919 carry over from 04-05 to 05-06 for a total of \$381,919 with expenses of \$282,984.75, leaving a balance of \$81,871.88. as of April 30, 2006. At this time Line 54 revenue is \$1300 under the 2005 balance.
- B. The issue of a 501C3 will be placed on the July agenda.
- C. Senior Senator Audrey Formosa moved that the \$456.34 invoice for the Foundation envelopes be paid to Senior Senator Connie Eaton from the Foundation. M/S/P
- D. Senior Senator Connie Eaton moved that the July and August JRC meetings by held by a teleconference call with the Sub-Committee Meetings being held one day prior to the JRC meeting. M/S/P

July 24, 2006
Sub-Committee Meetings
10:00 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.
Finance & Insurance
Public Relations
11:30 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.
Session Planning
Policy and Procedures

<u>July 25, 2006</u> JRC Meeting 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. August 23, 2006
Sub-Committee Meetings
10:00 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.
Finance & Insurance
Public Relations
11:30 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.
Session Planning
Policy & Procedures.

August 24, 2006 JRC Meeting 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. The Report was accepted as presented.

Public Relations - Chair Senior Senator Joe Cox

- A. Photos of the CSL 2005 Annual Session which were taken by Senior Senators Pasqual Bettio and Bill Young will be shown on the website.
- B. Press Releases received from Senior Senators Dee Erman, Audrey Formosa, Austin Lucero and Bill Young and Senior Assembly Member June Glasmeier. Press Release for Convening 2006 Annual Session will be developed.
- C. A Proclamation on Elder Abuse Awareness Day was prepared.
- D. The telephone tree will be initiated to call on SB 1249.

The Report was accepted as presented.

Session Planning - Chair Senior Assembly Member Lola Young

- A. Task List was reviewed.
- B. Dr. Moira Fordyce has accepted to be the keynote speaker.
- C. Sponsor commitments of \$11,500 have been made to date.
- D. Hotel contracts have been signed.
- E. Betty Soennichsen and Robert McLaughlin will be Volunteer Co-chairs.
- F. The Gerontology Interns will be contacted for volunteers at the Session as well as assistance in the CSL office.
- G. Senior Senator Jim Levy and Senior Assembly Member Lola Young will set up the Committee Chairs and members.

The report was accepted as presented.

Policy & Procedures-Senior Assembly Member Austin Lucero

- A. Senior Senator Connie Eaton moved that Bill Hollabaugh develop a legislative report showing chaptered bills only through 2004 for the Resource Manual. The name of the CSL member who authored the proposal will be shown. M/S/P
- B. Senior Senator Audrey Formosa will develop policy for the new member orientation. Chair Senior Senator Jim Levy will send a letter to the new members referring them to the web.site for a copy of the Resource Manual.
- C. Bill Hollabaugh will prepare a list of references to the CCoA in the Resource Manual.
- D. Senior Senator Connie Eaton moved that the JRC Chair send a thank-you letter to non-returning CSL members encouraging their continued support of CSL.
- E. There is no conflict of interest when a candidate for office uses the CSL position as leverage.
- F. Because of the exigency of the CSL transition, the Policy and Procedures Committee recommends that the JRC explore the possibility of extending the term of the JRC Chair on a one time basis only for one year in order to complete the transition to a State entity.

The report was accepted as presented.

- XI. Program Book/Ad Report Bill Hollabaugh Six ads for the program book have been received. A JRC photograph will be taken at the September meeting.
- XII. Legislative Committee Report, Vice Chair Senior Senator Anne Mack
 A. Senior Senator Austin Lucero moved that CSL write a letter of support on SB
 192. M/S/P
 - B. The Legislative Update was reviewed.
 - C. Senior Senator Anne Mack moved that the Resolution to Repeal Medicare Part D be accepted. M/S/F 4 Yes/ 5 No.
 - D. A synopsis of the Reauthorization of the Older Americans Act will be provided at the next JRC meeting.

XIII. Old Business

- A. 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 Connie Eaton moved the motion be tabled until the legality of the policy is learned. M/S/P Motion withdrawn.
- B. State approval is needed for use of their logo. Postponed.
- XIV. A. Senior Assembly Member Helen Karr will determine the Statute on notification of Line 54 by Tax Preparers.
 - B. Executive Director of AAA may make a CSL appointment if there is a vacancy after election.
 - C. CSL has been informed that Senator Alquist will be honored to have the 26th Annual Session dedicated to the memory of her husband.
- XV. The next JRC meeting will be a teleconference meeting on July 24-25, 2006.
- XVI. The JRC Meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.
- Minutes prepared by Senior Assembly Member, June Glasmeier, Secretary, and reviewed by JRC Chair Senior Senator Jim Levy, pending approval by the Joint Rules Committee.