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JOINT RULES COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
Teleconference Call Meeting
Thursday, February 15, 2007
1020 N Street, Room 169
Sacramento, CA 95814

Chair, Senior Assembly Member Sharon Monck
Vice Chair, Senior Senator Joe Cox
Vice Chair, Senior Assembly Member Austin Lucero

2:00 p.m.-2:15 p.m.

I. Call to Order

The February 15, 2007 California Senior Legislature (CSL) Joint Rules Committee (JRC) meeting was called to order by JRC Chair – Senior Assembly Member Sharon Monck at 2:04 p.m.
Invocation was led by Senior Assembly Member Lola Young
Pledge of Allegiance was led by Senior Assembly Member Austin Lucero

II. Roll Call – Determine excused and unexcused absences

Present: Senior Senators Joe Cox, Connie Eaton, Marvin Goldman, and Anne Mack.
Senior Assembly Members June Glasmeier, Austin Lucero, Sharon Monck, Billie Taylor, and Lola Young.
Senior Senator Ann Gehrig was alternate for Senior Senator Dee Erman.
Guests: Senior Senator Roberta Marti and Senator Assembly Member Sally Wieck.

Staff: Sherry Jenkins

Quorum was established.

III. Introductions

None

(Over)

IV. Approve Agenda

Senior Senator Levy asked to include a Senior Legal Hotline request for today's meeting.

M/S/C (Goldman/Mulholland)

APPROVE FEBRUARY 15, 2007 AGENDA WITH AMENDMENT.

V. Approve Minutes

Senior Assembly Member Wieck mentioned that on the Minutes of the January 8-10, 2007 meeting, she was alternate for Stella Tays Lopez and not Alice Loh on both page 1 and page 3.

Senior Senator Levy wanted the word "may" inserted into VI under D, second bullet, second dash before "not have more than."

M/S/C (Goldman/Lucero)

Two abstentions

APPROVE JANUARY 8-10, 2007 MINUTES WITH AMENDMENTS.

2:15 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

VI. Proposal for CSL's Support for Bill Regarding Increased Fees On Death Certificates

Pending due to needing a co-author from Senate. Assembly Member Patty Berg has agreed to co-author if Senate co-author can be found.

VII. Partnership with a Professional Grant Writer – Senior Assembly Member Austin Lucero

Senior Assembly Member Lucero has located a grant writer, Kathleen Mitchell, from the Santa Clara area who is willing to write grants without pay until grant is approved. Administrative costs would be built into the grant. She will not be able to start until March due to her schedule so members should continue searching for grant writers due to the downtime.

VIII. Sub-Committee Reports

- A. Budget & Insurance Committee
- (1) Ad Hoc 501(C)3 Committee

Senior Senator Goldman has received two judgments regarding the CSL's legal right to be its own 501(C)3 – one from Assembly Member Gene Mullins office and another from the Alliance for Justice. A letter was faxed to the Attorney General's Office last week asking for verification of the

legalities. Application is not yet filled out but should have findings by April CSL JRC Meeting. Advantages of having our own 501(C)3 is the CSL will be able to control their own money and get reports when they need them. There are minor registration costs - \$2,000 maximum but most likely \$1,000 to \$1,500 start up fees.

Worker's Comp through the State Controller's Office covers the staff but not the CSL members.

A report on the final report of Line 54 as of October 2006 was sent out in November 2006.

B. Policies & Procedures Committee
Clarify New Duties of JRC Chair

All drafts for Resource Manual changes will be available for the JRC April 15, 2007 meeting.

Staff Jenkins will get the election costs for 2006 for Austin Lucero for the Resource Manual.

C. Public Relations Committee

1. Approval of Mission Statement for CSL

The California Senior Legislature's (CSL) Mission is to improve the quality of life for aging Californians by identifying senior concerns, developing proposals and advocating for the inclusions of those concerns in legislative bills.

M/S/C (Levy/Goldman)

TO APPROVE THE NEW MISSION STATEMENT AS PRESENTED.

2. Reviewed Line 52 advertising.

Letters were sent to retired members regarding Line 52. Need to get all members involved with tax preparers and Legislators. Jackson-Hewitt tax preparers are wearing buttons advertising Line 52. A sample letter to the editor was sent out to all members – this was written and shared by Alice Loh and Marsha Epstein.

3. Recognize donors in 2007 Program Book.

(Over)

D. Session Planning Committee

1. Staff Jenkins will contact Seema Jaffee to discuss issues around the volunteer coordinator duties of 2006 to ascertain solutions.
2. Task List is on target for the Session.
3. Staff Jenkins to pick up "Building an Aging Agenda for the 21st Century" from Assembly Woman Patty Berg's office, which is available either in hard copy or electronically and is a list of senior issues.
4. Reserving rooms at the Capitol for the Session will be started in March and followed up in May.
5. Senior Assembly Member Tucker has agreed to help Senior Assembly Member Wieck with the sponsor letters for the Session.
6. There will be no orientation session this year and the general session will become a By-Laws session.
7. Lt. Governor John Garamendi will be approached to be our keynote speaker this year.
8. Tuesday morning breakfast will be held in the Lt. Governor Garamendi's office.
9. The menu for the two-night banquets consists of Prime Rib, Chief's Salad, and Key Lime Pie the first night and Chicken Wellington, Caesar Salad and New York Cheesecake the second night.
10. Senior Assembly Member Young and Senior Senator Mack will work out details to honor deceased Leo McCarthy who was instrumental in getting CSL established.
11. Transportation between the Holiday Inn and the Capitol Inn is still being worked on.
12. Online registration will soon be available to register for the Session at the Holiday Inn and instructions will be sent out.

E. Ad Hoc By Laws Committee

The form for submitting changes in the By-Laws was updated and will be sent out to all members with a deadline of 5:00 p.m., July 30, 2007.

By-Laws Article III needs to have CCoA Sponsorship deleted.

F. Ad Hoc Grants Committee

Senior Assembly Member Lucero informed us that instructions went out to the four team leaders to disperse the list of Foundations throughout their teams for them to start contacting. Every member of CSL needs to be involved.

CSL operational expense cannot be listed on the grants but you can list financing health fairs, senior gatherings to promote the CSL, and printing costs.

IX. Report of Legislative Committee, Senior Senator Anne Mack

- A. Senior Senator Mack advised that the "Walk through the Capitol" was highly successful, with six proposals having been picked up and eight proposals having been submitted to Legislative Counsel. Refer to the attached spreadsheet, which will also be posted on the website. She suggested that members should talk with their area Legislators to pick up the unauthored proposals.
- B. Senior Senator Eaton asked the Legislative Committee to look at the Resource Manual and have a draft of revisions by the April 2007 meeting.
- C. A meeting was held with the California Association for Health Services at Home (CAHSAH) regarding their proposal to standardize IHSS. Assembly Member Dave Jones is very interested in authoring it but hasn't made commitment yet due to possible problems with Union issues. When notified of the meeting time and date, Senior Senator Levy will attend the meeting with CAHSAH and Assembly Member Jones and report back to the JRC.
- D. February 22, 2007 has been set for the orientation for Proposal Writing Teleconference.

X. Chair's Report, Senior Assembly Member Sharon Monck

- A. The CSL office is being reorganized and now has its name on the office door and is listed on the elevator lobby board.
- B. Negotiations are in the talking stages on a new interagency agreement for the new fiscal year. Updates will be given as they occur.
- C. A meeting has been arranged with the new State Controller, John Chiang, to introduce him to the CSL.

(Over)

- D. Two computers, a laptop with docking station, and a new printer have been ordered and delivered and will be installed Tuesday, February 20, 2007, to bring the CSL up to date with modern technologies. An overhead projector is being ordered for PowerPoint presentations. Staff Jenkins will keep the calendar for this overhead and laptop.

XI. Old Business

Senior Legal Hotline (SLH) – Bill Powers from the Alliance of Retired Americans has asked the CSL to send a letter to Senator Dianna Feinstein supporting the SLH.

M/S/C (Goldman/Cox)

TO SEND A LETTER TO SENATOR DIANNA FEINSTIN STATING THAT THE CSL SUPPORTS THE SLH.

XII. New Business

- A. Designation of a Parliamentarian for Meetings

Chair Monck appointed Senior Assembly Member Young the Parliamentarian for meetings.

XIII. Liaison Reports, Senior Assembly Member Lola Young

Attended several Legislative breakfasts. Staff Jenkins also attended one of the breakfasts.

XIV. Correspondence

None

XV. Announcements

April 15, 2007 from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. JRC Subcommittees meetings in Anaheim at Holiday Inn
April 16, 2007 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. JRC meeting
More details will be sent out later.

XVI. Public Comments

None

Adjourned at 5:10 p.m.