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LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

February 7–8, 2012

The Vagabond Inn

909 Third Street, Sacramento, CA 95814

Leg Committee Chair: Senior Assembly Member Julia Rosenberg

Leg committee Vice Chair: Senior Senator Lola Young

Leg Committee Vice Chair: Senior Assembly Member Anne Warren

I. Call To Order

The Legislative Committee Meeting was called to order by Chair, Julia Rosenberg at 9:05 a.m.

Invocation by Senior Senator Evelyn Tom

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Senior Assembly Member Charles Molnar

II. Roll Call

Present: Allan Hurst, Nneenah Frazier, Dee Erman, Marcia Gould, Charles Molnar, Richard Dahlgren, Don MacAllister, Joseph Cox, Evelyn Tom, Eleanor Bloch, Jim Levy, Richard Shontz, Bruce Steir, Bernard Weintraub, Charles Mitchell and Julia Rosenberg.

Excused: Zelda Hutcherson, Vernon Uecker, Lola Young, Elizabeth Warren, Susan Thompson, Craig Orange, Jack Alderson, Sol Fingold, Norma Jackson, Jane Godager

Staff: Elizabeth Thorstadt

It was determined that a quorum was present.

III. Introductions

Julia Rosenberg, Chair, introduced Lauren Rolfe, Senior Assembly Member.

IV. Public Comments

No public comments.

Discussion/Action Items

V. Approve Agenda of February 7-8, 2012 Legislative Committee Meeting

It was noted that section 11 of the agenda was an error. This section needs to be deleted. Agenda stands as presented by Chair, Julia Rosenberg, with noted correction.

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VI. Approve Minutes of January 10-12, 2012 Legislative Committee Meeting

Minutes approved as presented by Chair, Julia Rosenberg.

VII. Discussion of “Walk the Halls” followed by visiting State Legislators at the Capitol.

- a. Marcia Gould noted that Legislators would not be available due to conflict with Republican Policy Meeting. Julia indicated that she will note for future scheduling and typically the meetings are with staff.
- b. Margaret Sowma shared complimentary letter from Assembly Member Wilmer Amina Carter.
- c. Julia Rosenberg noted that the April meeting agenda would include a mini “walk the halls” to promote ads for the session program and market CSL.
- d. It was suggested that members subscribe to their elected officials E-Newsletter and participate on Advisory Boards. Additional suggestions included taking photos during visits and including in the “thank you” email.

Meeting recessed until 4:45pm.

Meeting Reconvened 4:45pm – 5:45pm

VIII. “Walk the Halls” De-Briefing and Sharing Insights

Each team provided an overview and gave recap of their site visit. Site visit sheets are maintained in the office.

Meeting recessed until February 8, 2012, at 9:00am

IX. February 8, 2012, Meeting reconvened at Capitol Building 9:00-9:30am Recessed at 9:30am to “walk the halls”.

X. Meeting Reconvened from 11:30am – 1:00pm at Vagabond Meeting Room.

XI. “Walk the Halls” de-briefing and sharing of insights.

Teams provided short debrief and shared insights. It was noted that the terminology used “picked up” should be revised to “expressed interest”, as “picked up” could imply that the bill was already being authored.

Clare provided recap of the communication process for inquiries on proposals from elected officials. The staffer is directed to the CSL author of the proposal. As they are the best resource, to field questions/comments.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:00pm.