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JOINT RULES COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
1600 K STREET, 1ST FLOOR – CONFERENCE ROOM 1B
SACRAMENTO, CA
MAY 18, 19, 2004

I. Call to Order, Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

The California Senior Legislature (CSL) Joint Rules Committee (JRC) was called to order by Senior Assembly Member Edward Woods, at 9:00 a.m. at the Department of Aging, 1600 "K" Street, 1st Floor-Conference Room 1B, Sacramento, Ca. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Senior Senator Marianne Mannia and the Invocation was given by Senior Assembly Member Helen Karr.

II. Roll Call

Present: Senior Senators Mary Dennison, Clifford Erven, Erwin Fromm, Marianne Mannia, Glenn Muggelberg and Jim Levy. Senior Assembly Members June Glasmeier, Zelda Hutcherson, Helen Karr, Martin Tucker, Sally Wieck and Edward Woods. Alternates in attendance: None. A quorum was established.

Excused: None.

Staff: June P. Hamilton.

Guests: Karen Morris Cole, Senior Assembly Member Marcia Gould, Bill Hollabaugh, Senior Senator Lenwood Long and Senior Assembly Member Elect Richard Shontz.

III. Approve Agenda

Agenda was approved as written. M/S/P

IV. Approve Minutes

The Minutes of the March 9-10, 2004 meeting were approved with the following corrections. Third paragraph of VI should read "Senior Senator Lenwood Long and Senior Assembly Member Arnold Roth were appointed to the Work Study Group by the Joint Rules Committee.", and VIII-Public Relations, 4th sentence should read "A Committee consisting of Jim Levy, Chair, Ed Woods, Clifford Erven, Sally Wieck, Erwin Fromm and Pasqual Bettio be formed to accomplish the above. M/S/P"

V. Public Comment

None

VI. Report of Ed Woods, Chair

Ed Woods advised that thirty PSA's have confirmed their election results reflecting 9 new members in the North and 24 in the South; however, we do not have confirmation from 3 PSA's. The proposed Orientation program will include the CSL story and structure. Secure Horizons will make a \$1,000 donation for the Orientation Sessions. Ed Woods further stated he had delivered testimony on Bills 1736 and 1994. Ed Woods thanked Mary Dennison and Jim Levy for their participation in the "Local Solutions to Statewide Challenges" Conference. Ed further stated Jim Levy deserved a round of applause for his outstanding job performance at the Senior Rally.

VII. Local Solutions to Statewide Challenges Report

Mary Dennison and Jim Levy attended the "Local Solutions to Statewide Challenges" Coordinated Leadership Conference on May 5 – 7, 2004 in Concord, California. The Conference brought together leaders in the aging and disability communities for the purpose of designing and implementing a coordinated advocacy effort and creating a vision for the future. Nine sessions focusing on innovative programs for improved services to seniors and persons with disabilities were given. There is a definite connection between the disabled and seniors. The Validating Shared Housing session explored the possibility of a disabled and an able body senior sharing a home under the guidance of a mentor. Mary Dennison reported the Conference was excellent and worthwhile.

VIII. Congress of California Seniors Convention Report

Jim Levy reported on the Congress of California Seniors 27th Annual Convention entitled "Speaking Out With One Strong Voice". The Convention was held at the Holiday Inn Capitol Plaza, Sacramento, on May 11 - 13, 2004. The following three workshops were given: "Preventing Senior Investment Fraud, Advocacy Training on Long-Term Care and Buying Drugs on the Internet". Speakers included Secretary of State Kevin Shelley; Assembly Member Patty Berg; Attorney General Bill Lockyer; Gary Mason, Director, IAW Retiree and Older Workers Department; Reuben Burks, Secretary-Treasurer, Alliance for Retired Americans; Insurance Commissioner John Garamendi; Assembly Member Hannah-Beth Jackson and Treasurer Phil Angelides. Ray Mastalish was the facilitator for the "Forging a New Senior Movement" Panel. The Senior Rally was held on Wednesday, May 12, 2004 on the West Steps of State Capitol Building. The CSL booth was next to the registration desk which provided excellent exposure. The CSL booth coverage was provided by Dee Erman, Jim Levy, Joe Murphy, Bill Young and Lola Young.

IX. CCoA Executive Director's Report-Ray Mastalish

Ray Mastalish advised that the financial update was sent to all CSL members in the last mailing. CSL is within their budget at this time and a word of caution was issued on the travel budget. Jeanna Bowe resigned. A request for her replacement has been filed with the Department of Finance and it is hoped to have someone in place before July 1. The Workmen's Compensation claim was heard on May 6 and the outcome of the hearing is not known at this time. Mr. Mastalish stated it is preferable to go to the Legislators with agreeable amendments on AB1994. The brochures have been printed and delivered. All contracts are frozen until end of the fiscal year and there are no signed Annual Session contracts at this time. Mr. Mastalish proposed that CSL might

want to consider going through the Foundation; however, the State cannot reimburse the Foundation.

Lunch 12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

X. Committee Reports

Session Planning

The Annual Session will be held on October 18, 19, 20 and 21, 2004. There are two firm Annual Session commitments for donations. Checks should be made payable to CFOA/CSL. All Annual Session letters will be prepared by Sally Wieck. Entertainment will be provided on Monday evening, October 18, 2004. Jim Levy recommended Gayiel Von whose fee is \$400/one-half hour. A sponsor will be sought to cover the entertainment expense. The art show in the Capitol is progressing. There will be three sit-down dinners at the Hyatt. The proposal due date has been extended from May 31, 2004 to July 9, 2004 and a proposal packet will be mailed to all CSL members as well as CSL Members Elect. Bill Hollabaugh and Karen Cole will review and finalize the Task List.

Finance and Insurance

Waived.

Policy and Procedures

Waived.

Public Relations

The bio questionnaire form for CSL Website posting was finalized showing name, city, county, e-mail address (optional), date of election, PSA #, Senate District #, Assembly # and Congressional District #. A glossy photo may be included.

XI. Legislative Committee Report - Glenn Muggelberg

Fourteen bills are in process and two have been pulled by the authors. AB 2357 has been placed in the suspense file. Glenn Muggelberg stated he felt the activation of the telephone tree accounts for the success. Faxing and e-mailing is more effective than phoning and the "Telephone Tree" will be renamed "Tree". Mr. Muggelberg stated he was not reelected to the CSL; however, he will continue as Chairman of the Legislative Committee until October 19, 2004 thereby giving the Legislative Report at the Annual Session on October 18, 2004.

XII. Orientation Report

Sally Wieck stated there are six CSL members who have not attended an Orientation Session which raises the final count to 37. Senior Assembly Member Zelda Hutcherson will replace Senior Assembly Member Helen Karr on the Orientation program. It was strongly recommended that an emphasis be placed on the Legislative advocacy process during the Orientation Session. There will be two Orientation Sessions; Los Angeles on June 17, 2004 and Sacramento on June 22, 2004.

XIII. Separation Report

Martin Tucker welcomed Senior Senator Lynwood Long to the Work Study Group. Separation issues are covered in the enclosed communication on this subject. Jim Levy made the following motion: I move that the officers and members of the California Senior Legislature (CSL) Joint Rules Committee and Legislative Committee "OPPOSE" any bills being considered in either the State Senate and/or Assembly that require the "SEPARATION" of the California Senior Legislature from the California Commission on Aging (CCOA) and/or requires CSL, to "hire its own Executive Director". This opposition will remain in effect until such time that the full membership of CSL meets during the October 2004 Annual Meeting and either reconfirms or changes its position from that which it voted upon during the October 2003 Annual Meeting. The motion was seconded by Zelda Hutcherson. A brief discussion was held and the motion was tabled until the following day at which time there was further discussion. The motion was called for a vote with nine in opposition and two (Jim Levy and Zelda Hutcherson) in support of the motion. The motion failed. M/S/F Additional information concerning this issue is enclosed.

The Joint Rules Committee recessed to Wednesday, May 19, 2004, 8:30 a.m.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 19, 2004
JRC MEETING RECONVENED AT 8:30 A.M
1600 K STREET, 1ST FLOOR – CONFERENCE ROOM 1B

XIV. Roll Call

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Excused: Senior Senator Glenn Muggelberg.

Staff: June Hamilton

Guest: Senior Senator Lynwood Long.

XV. Correspondence

Thank you note, Marianne Mannia

Communication from California Stem Cell Research and Cures

Bud Winslow's e-mail on separation issue

California United for Nursing Home Care requesting CSL endorsement on improving the quality of life in California nursing homes.

Erwin Fromm made a motion that CSL endorse the California United for Nursing Home Care's issue on improving the quality of life in California nursing homes. The motion passed after a second by Clifford Erven. M/S/P A letter of endorsement will be sent advising them of this decision.

XVI. New Business

None

XVII. Old Business

None.

XVIII. Announcements

The next JRC meeting is scheduled for July 13-14, 2004 at which time there will be a review of proposals.

XIX.

The JRC meeting of the CSL adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

XX. Executive Committee Meeting (if needed)

An Executive Committee meeting was not needed.

Submitted By: June Glasmeier, Chair Communications Committee