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Joint Rules Committee Meeting Minutes

Congress of California Seniors
1230 N Street, Room 201
Sacramento, CA 95814
September 20-21, 2005

Tuesday, September 20, 2005

- I. Call to Order, Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance
The September 20-21, 2005 California Senior Legislature (CSL) Joint Rules Committee (JRC) meeting was called to order by Chair Senior Assembly Member Helen Karr on September 20, 2005, 9:15 a.m. at the Congress of California Seniors, 1230 N Street, Room 201, Sacramento, CA. Senior Assembly Member Zelda Hutcherson gave the Invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Senior Senator Mary Dennison.

- II. Roll Call
Present: Senior Senators Joe Cox, Mary Dennison, Erwin Fromm, Jim Levy and Jerry Smith. Senior Assembly Members June Glasmeier, Marcia Gould, Zelda Hutcherson, Helen Karr and Edward Woods. Alternate Senior Senator Paulene Goddard.

Excused: Senior Senators Connie Eaton and Joe Murphy.

A quorum was established.

- III. Introductions Senior Senator Anne Mack, Senior Assembly Member Richard Shontz, and Bill Hollabaugh. June Hamilton, Staff.

- IV. Approve Agenda
The agenda was approved with the following changes:
XXIV. Liaison Reports was moved to XVII, 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday.
IX. Item B was deleted
IX. Add D. CSL New Narrative with Budget, Sandra Fitzpatrick, Executive Director of CCoA
Add XXIV - Allison Ruff and Robert MacLaughlin will address the JRC.

- V. Approve Minutes of August 9-10, 2005
The minutes of the August 9-10, 2005 meeting were approved with one correction:
VIII. Second item should read: All Travel Expense Claims for Legislative Committee members must be approved by the Legislative Committee Chair

- VI. Senior Assembly Member Zelda Hutcherson read an "In Memoriam" to CSL Member Inez Scott.
- VII. Chair Senior Assembly Member Helen Karr's Report:
In response to the CSL request for a name change on the State Income Tax Form, the Franchise Tax Board advised any name change requires a statutory change. Senior Senator Joe Cox moved that an Emergency Proposal be prepared to cover the name change. M/S/P
Senior Senator Mary Dennison moved that the Legislative Committee write an emergency proposal changing the name on Line 54 to California Senior Legislature Fund. M/S/P
A counter proposal from the California State Controller's Office calling out the terms of an interagency agreement was read and discussed.
Senior Senator Jim Levy moved that the JRC accept the August 25, 2005 counter proposal. One opposition. M/S/P
A letter of acceptance will be hand carried to the State Controller's Office on this date.
- VIII. Going Forward Report:
Senior Senator Mary Dennison moved that the budget with reductions agreed to during the June, 2005 meeting be accepted by the JRC. M/S/P
The eight Early Arrival and Late Departure requests for the Annual Session were approved by a Motion from Senior Senator Jim Levy. M/S/P
CSL members will be notified by Senior Assembly Member June Glasmeier of the approvals.
- IX. California Commission on Aging (CCoA), Executive Director's Report - Sandra Fitzpatrick
The Financial Statement through August, 2005 was reviewed. The CCoA will prepare the 2006-2007 CSL Budget and write the required mission purpose narrative.
A decision from the Franchise Tax Board on the CSL tax check off status has not been received as of this date.
A detailed review of the State Controller's Counter Proposal was made by Sandra Fitzpatrick.
An update on the CCoA's meeting in Santa Barbara was given.

Break for Lunch

- X. Staff Report - June Hamilton
The Proposal packets have been mailed. The Brochure is ready to be ordered which will include the new address for the California Foundation on Aging/ California Senior Legislature (CFOA/CSL), 1008 Tenth Street, #428, Sacramento, CA 95814-3502. The Session packets will be assembled on 10/13 to 14. The follow-up on the copy machine cannot be made until the first of November.

The JRC recessed at 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday, September 21, 2005

The JRC reconvened at 8:30 a.m. on September 21, 2005

XI. Roll Call

Present: Senior Senators Joe Cox, Mary Dennison, Erwin Fromm, Jim Levy, Joe Murphy and Jerry Smith. Senior Assembly Members June Glasmeier, Marcia Gould, Zelda Hutcherson, Helen Karr and Edward Woods. Alternate: Senior Senator Paulene Goddard

Excused: Senior Senator Connie Eaton

Guests: Senior Senator Anne Mack, Senior Assembly Members Richard Shontz and Lola Young, Karen Morris Cole and Bill Hollabaugh. June Hamilton, Staff.

XII. Review & Reconsideration of Pulled Proposal - Senior Senator Jim Levy

Senior Senator Jim Levy voluntarily pulled his proposal entitled *"The California Death with Dignity Act."*

XIII. Legislative Committee Report - Chair Senior Senator Jerry Smith

The Legislative Update was reviewed by Senior Senator Jerry Smith. AB 205, ACR 8, and SB 1018 have been chaptered and SB 141, AB 1507, and AB 778 are on the Governor's Desk for signature. Senior Senator Jerry Smith stated a by-law change has been submitted to change the length of term of Legislative Committee members to two years, and a commitment of at least five hours per week is necessary for Legislative Committee members.

XIV. Liaison Reports - Senior Assembly Member Lola Young

Senior Assembly Member Lola Young reported that OWL, Congress of California Seniors, Gray Panthers and California Seniors Coalition have been supportive of all CSL legislative proposals this year.

XV. Committee Reports:

Finance and Insurance - Senior Senator Erwin Fromm:

Senior Senator Erwin Fromm moved that the formation of a Financial Development/Grant Committee be approved and implemented by the new JRC. M/S/P

Senior Senator Jerry Smith moved that a letter be sent to CSL members requesting names of individuals interested in grant writing. M/S/P

New address for the CFOA/CSL is 1008 Tenth Street, #428, Sacramento, CA 95814-3502.

A \$1,000 donation from California Physical Therapy Association has been received for the Annual Session.

Public Relations - Senior Senator Joe Cox:

The Public Relations Committee met as a whole.

All members of CSL are encouraged to contact their media sources to get the CSL story out. Copies of published New Releases should be sent to the Public

Relations Chair.

Senior Senator Joe Cox asked June Hamilton to contact the Sergeant-At-Arms regarding passing out CSL information at the Capitol during Session.

Senate and Assembly Sessions will be televised and the times for viewing on The California Channel will be given to CSL members.

A slogan for the 25th Anniversary will not be used.

A decision was made to not have individual pictures taken at the Session.

Publicity card proposal was placed on the carry over list for next year.

Policy & Procedures - Senior Senator Mary Dennison:

Senior Senator Mary Dennison moved that Parts I, II and V of the Resource Manual be approved by the JRC. M/S/P

Parts I, II and V will be distributed at the Annual Session.

Session Planning - Senior Senator Jim Levy:

The Committee met as a whole.

Karen Morris Cole reported she has enough volunteers. Karen Morris Cole and June Hamilton will prepare the Press Packets.

Senior Assembly Member Zelda Hutcherson moved that the Brown photos and historical dates be included in the Session Program Book. M/S/P

Senior Senator Jim Levy moved that the CSL pay for box lunches for the Volunteers on Monday. M/S/P

All JRC members were asked to contact their PSA to place an ad in the Program Book.

Senior Senator Jim Levy reported that the Policy Committee Roster will go out in the next mailing.

The Task List was reviewed as well as the Updated Abbreviated Annual Session Schedule.

The major donor list was reviewed.

The Program Book ads were reviewed and the due date was extended to September 30, 2005.

All JRC members are to contact Senior Senator Jim Levy on October 16, 2005, regarding last minute tasks.

See's Candy will notify the JRC Chair two weeks prior to the Session and Senior Assembly Member Lola Young agreed that she will pick up the candy when notified of the date and location.

JRC Session Prep Contact sheet was distributed to JRC members to Contact CSL members.

By-Laws Committee - Senior Senator Connie Eaton:

A written report was submitted by Senior Senator Connie Eaton.

A Closed Session of the JRC was held at this time.

- XVI. Amend Legislative Rules - Senior Senator Joe Murphy
Senior Senator Joe Murphy moved that the Legislative Rules include the following wording in No. 15: "At the request of the author or any member of the committee, the committee shall hold the roll open on any proposal until the adjournment of the committee meeting." M/S/P
- XVII. Proposal Ballot Counting Procedures - Senior Senator Joe Murphy
A procedure for Proposal Ballot Counting prepared by Senior Senators Joe Murphy, Jim Levy and Jerry Smith was presented. Senior Senator Joe Murphy moved that the Proposal Ballot Counting system be approved along with distribution of Priority Voting Instructions. M/S/P
- XVIII. Old Business
The brochure quote was reviewed. Senior Senator Jim Levy moved that a quantity of 2000 brochures be ordered. M/S/P
Two other bids must be obtained before an order is placed. The JRC okayed the Program Book ad photo.
- XIX. New Business
The new Legislative Committee will prepare a script "When Speaking with Legislators," which will be mailed to all CSL members.
Senior Senator Jerry Smith moved that the Topic Discussion Form be placed on the website under Forms. M/S/P
- XX. Correspondence
None
- XXI. Announcements
The C4A Annual Meeting and Allied Conference will be held at the Hyatt Regency, Irvine, CA on November 14-17, 2005
- XXII. Public Comment
None
- XXIII. Review of Options Available to CSL
Robert MacLaughlin from Senator Elaine Alquist's office presented options if Line 54 quota is not met.
- XXIV. Executive Committee Meeting (if needed)
None

The September 2005 JRC meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

Prepared and Submitted by Senior Assembly Member June Glasmeier, Chair
Communications Committee