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Joint Rules Committee Meeting Minutes

Congress of California Seniors

1030 N Street, Room 201

Sacramento, CA 95814

September 26, 2006

Tuesday September 26, 2006

I. Call to Order, Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

The September 26, 2006 California Senior Legislature (CSL) Joint Rules Committee (JRC) Meeting was called to order by Chair Senior Senator Jim Levy on September 26, 2006 at 11:15 a.m. Senior Assembly Member Sharon Monck gave the Invocation and Senior Assembly Member Austin Lucero led the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. Roll Call

Present: Senior Senators Connie Eaton, Audrey Formosa and Jim Levy and Senior Assembly Members June Glasmeier, Helen Karr, Austin Lucero, Sharon Monck and Lola Young. Alternates Senior Senator Dee Erman and Anne Mack.

Members Excused: Senior Senators Joe Cox, Mary Dennison and Jerry Smith and Senior Assembly Member Billie Taylor.

A quorum was established

Staff: June Hamilton.

III. Guests: Senior Senator Ann Gehrig, Seema Jaffee and Messrs. Bill Hollabaugh, Ted Gehrig and Bob Jaffee.

IV. The agenda was approved with the following changes: VI. H. Add (2) Moria Jackson award and (3) Rule Change. XI and XIV are reversed, and XIX is changed to Tuesday, September 26, 2006.

V. The Minutes of the August 24, 2006 meeting were approved as presented.

VI. JRC Chair's Report.

A. SB 1249 was approved in the Assembly and Senate and is on the Governor's desk for signature.

B. CSL (California Fund for Senior Citizens) will remain on the 2007 Individual Voluntary Contributions State Income Tax form.

- C. Senior Assembly Member Sharon Monck moved that the tabled motion made by Senior Senator Joe Cox that CSL join the umbrella group of Check-Off California for a cost of \$2500. be taken off of the table. M/S/P Senior Senator Anne Mack moved that CSL participate in the "Check-Off California": Consortium. M/S/P Senior Senator Jim Levy expressed his gratitude to all CSL members for their \$100 donations to make it possible for CSL to join "Check-Off" California.
- D. Senior Senator Connie Eaton has been named Chair of the Ad Hoc Grants Committee.
- E. Senior Senator Ann Gehrig has been named Chair of the Ad Hoc Workers' Compensation Committee.
- F. (1) Senior Senator Anne Mack moved that the Moria Jackson award not be given this year. M/S/P
- (2) Senior Senator Audrey Formosa moved that a change be made in the Standing Rules of the CSL Resource Manual: Legislation Section – Page 22 of Part IV. The change to the existing rule is shown in Italics and is in bold print.
6. EMERGENCY PROPOSALS; All proposals must be postmarked, emailed or faxed before _____. The only exception to this rule is proposals pertaining to issues vetoed by the Governor (the President for federal issues) or proposals pertaining to issues that were the direct result of policy changes at the federal or state level after _____, ***or proposals of major importance to the elderly in our state that were not known to CSL members or the JRC prior to the deadline stated in the first sentence of this paragraph.*** You must have JRC approval in order to have your proposal introduced as emergency legislation. M/S/P The Standing Rules change was passed by a 2/3 vote as required by CSL bylaws and Roberts Rules of Order Revised.
- G. Senior Senator Audrey Formosa and Senior Assembly Member Sally Wieck, North and South, respectively, have been named as Southwest Travel Managers for CSL.
- H.. Assembly Leg committee members will be elected for a one year term and Senate Leg committee members will be elected to a two year term at the 2006 Annual Session.
- I. Internet mail addressed to the Chair will not be answered if it is copied to all CSL members.
- J. It is suggested that a Proposal Preparation Seminar for new members be held after the Annual Session.

K. CSL elections were held in 32 of the 33 PSA's for a total of 110 members.

Lunch 12:30 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

VII. A View from Within, Timothy Mello, Senate Legislative Aid to the Senate Rules Committee and Robert MacLaughlin, Consultant to the Senate Subcommittee on Aging and Long Term Care Subcommittee, shared their views on CSL's activities and made recommendations for CSL's future.

VIII. Workers' Compensation – Senior Senator Ann Gehrig

Senior Senator Anne Gehrig read the following message received from the State of California Division of Workers' Compensation; "In order for workers' compensation coverage to apply, an employer/employee relationship must be established. Also, pursuant to Labor Code 3352(i). 'Any person performing voluntary service for a public agency or a private, nonprofit organization who receives no remuneration for the services other than meals, transportation, lodging, or reimbursement for incidental expenses' is not considered an employee".

Senior Senator Ann Gehrig advised that CSL must have Workers' Compensation Insurance to cover direct employees of CSL. Senior Assembly Member Lola Young moved that CSL purchase Workers' Compensation Insurance. M/S/P
The entire report was unanimously approved. M/S/P

IX. Program Book ads/major donors – Bill Hollabaugh

Bill Hollabaugh reported \$7698 has been committed for ads for 2006 Session Program Book. The Program Book will be placed on the web site for review by Session Planning Committee members. Drop deadline for material for the Session Program Book is 10/5/06.

X. Sub-Committee Reports

Policy & Procedures – Chair, Senior Assembly Member Austin Lucero

A letter will be written to Retired CSL members to develop continuity between retired and new CSL members and requesting their support for CSL. Senior Assembly Member Austin Lucero moved that the Budget and Finance Committee be referred to as the Finance and Insurance Committee in the Session Policy Committee. The Sub-Committee will be named Finance and Insurance Committee. M/S/P.
Report Accepted.

Public Relations – Chair, Senior Senator Joe Cox

A list of California radio stations will be obtained to request pro bono time to promote CSL. The revision of the CSL brochure is under way and a quote from Bill Hollabaugh will be obtained for 5000 brochures. Participation is needed in conferences to make the CSL name known. Senior Assembly Member Sharon Monck will supply a power point presentation to Senior Senator Joe Cox.
Report accepted.

Budget and Finance – Chair, Senior Assembly Member Sharon Monck

\$25,000 has been committed for sponsorship for the 2006 Annual Session.

Investigation of forming a 501C3 for CSL is underway to obtain grant money for CSL.

No report has been received from the California Foundation on Aging and the Secretary of State will be contacted to see if this information is available. A budget from the Controller's office has not been received.

A copy of the CCoA Fiscal Year (July 1, 2005 – June 30, 2006) reflected the closing balance for CSL was \$55,745.

Report accepted.

CSL meeting recessed until 8:30 a.m. Wednesday, September 27, 2006.

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XI. Roll Call:

Present: Senior Senators Joe Cox, Connie Eaton and Jim Levy and Senior Assembly Members June Glasmeier, Sharon Monck, Helen Karr, Austin Lucero and Lola Young. Alternates: Senior Senators Dee Erman and Anne Mack.

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

A quorum was established.

Chair Senior Senator Jim Levy called the meeting to order at 8:40 a.m. JRC members will place an ad in the Session Program Book @ \$25/member. Senior Senator Joe Cox moved that the 1986-1996 CSL files be placed in the State Archives at no cost to CSL. M/S/P

XII. Session Planning Report – Senior Assembly Member Lola Young

The Task List was reviewed. Senior Assembly Member Lola Young will send the necessary information to Bill Hollabaugh for the Session Program Book. Senior Senator Joe Cox moved that Senior Senator Dee Erman write the questions to be presented to the Policy Chairs for the candidates running for the Leg Committee and the JRC. M/S/P Prep sheets were distributed to all JRC members so a contact with all CSL members will be made before Session. Senior Assembly Member Sharon Monck moved that the Equal Choice Bill become an Emergency Bill to be heard at the 26th Annual Session. M/S/P Seema Jaffee reported there are 43 volunteers for the 2006 Session. Year end reports from the Sub-Committee Chairs are due at the Annual Session.

XIII. Staff Report – June Hamilton

June Hamilton reported she has been finalizing the details of the Session. The position of staff at CSL has been reclassified from SSA to OT and June advised the JRC that as of October 31, 2006 she will no longer be working for CSL.

June has worked for CSL for 12 years. Her future position will be with the Workers' Compensation Appeals Board, effective November 15, 2006. All JRC members

thanked June for her loyalty and support to CSL and wished her well in her new position.

- XIV. Legislative Report – Vice Chair Senior Senator Anne Mack
SB 1249 – Enrolled to Governor 9/1/06
SCR 85 – Chaptered May 2006
AB 2738 – Suspense File
AB 3040 – Hearing cancelled at request of author
SJR 33 – Held at Assembly August 2006
- XV. Liaison Report – Senior Assembly Member Lola Young
Gray Panthers will hold a one day seminar from a grass roots advocacy view point and are asking the participation of CSL's Executive Board.
- XVI. Old Business
Senior Senator Joe Cox moved that CSL order 5000 copies of the new brochure. M/S/P.
- XVII. New Business
Senior Assembly Member Sharon Monck moved that the future sub-committee meetings be a teleconference meeting beginning in January 2007. M/S/P
- Senior Assembly Member Austin Lucero moved that the following proposed Standing Rule be adopted: "A qualified member of the CSL may petition to run for a position on either the Legislative Committee or the Joint Rules Committee, as a representative of his/her assigned standing committee. A member of the CSL cannot be nominated and run for a position on the Joint Rules Committee and the Legislative Committee during the same term." M/S/P The Standing Rule change was passed by a 2/3 vote as required by the CSL bylaws and Roberts Rules of Order Revision
- XVIII. The date of the January 2007 meeting will be January 10-11, 2007. This will be a combined meeting of the JRC and the Leg Committee.
- XIX. Correspondence
E-mail from Senior Assembly Member Martin Tucker regarding CSL's research into the benefits of a 501c3 were discussed..
- XX. Announcements
Silver Haired Congress will be held October 18, 2006 2:45 p.m., Room 115, State Capitol

Meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

JRC 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.