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NOTICE OF JOINT RULES COMMITTEE
Wyndham Hotel, Salon E
1350 North 1st Street, San Jose, CA 95112
Tuesday April 15, 2008, 8:30 p.m. – 12:00 p.m.

REVISED MINUTES

Chair: Senior Senator Joe Cox
Vice Chairs: Senior Senator Dee Erman and Senior Assembly Member Lola Young
Senior Senators Connie Eaton, Marvin Goldman, Bob Jaffee, and Roberta Marti
Senior Assembly Members Richard Dahlgren, Julie Rosenberg, Billie Taylor,
and Richard Wolfe
Immediate Past Chair: Senior Assembly Member Sharon Monck
Chair, Legislative Committee: Senior Senator Anne Mack

I. Call to Order

The April 15, 2008 Joint Rules Committee (JRC) Meeting was called to order by Senior Senator Joseph A. Cox, Chair at 9:00 a.m.
Invocation was said by Senior Assembly Member Lola Young.
Pledge was led by Senior Senator Joseph A. Cox.

II. Roll Call

Present: Senior Senators Joseph A. Cox, Connie Eaton, Bob Jaffee, Anne Mack, and Roberta Marti; Senior Assembly Members Richard Dahlgren, Sharon Monck, Julie Rosenberg, Billie Taylor, Richard Wolfe, and Lola Young.
Excused: Senior Senator Marvin Goldman
Staff: Sherry Jenkins
A Quorum was established

III. Introductions

Senior Senator Carla Treuting and Senior Assembly Members Eleanor Bloch, Shirley Krohn, and Frank Rosten. Sybil Boutilier from Department of Aging and Adult Services City & County of San Francisco, Richard Burnett from Metropolitan Transportation Commission, and Jene McCovey,

IV. Public Comments

None

(Over)

V. Approve Agenda of March 6, 2008

M/S/P (CE/RD)

APPROVAL OF MARCH 6, 2008 AGENDA.

VI. Approve Agenda of April 15, 2008

M/S/P (CE/RD)

APPROVAL OF APRIL 15, 2008 AGENDA.

VII. Approve Minutes of January 15, 2008 JRC Meeting

M/S/P (AM/RM)

APPROVE JANUARY 15, 2008 JRC MEETING MINUTES AFTER MOVING SENIOR SENATOR ROBERTA MARTI FROM GUESTS TO PRESENT AND DELETING SENIOR SENATOR BETTY MULHOLLAND.

VIII. Approve Minutes of March 6, 2008

M/S/P (CE/AM)

APPROVAL OF MARCH 6, 2008 JRC MEETING MINUTES.

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

IX Sub Committee Reports

Budget & Finance – Senior Assembly Member Sharon Monck, Chair

- Chair Monck suggested somebody needed to go to Brian Thomas from Department of General Services to get more details on Budget reports. Senior Senator Cox volunteered to call Mr. Thomas for more details on the Cons & Prof Services External section in particular. **Joe Cox - Action**
- Also will enquire where the Worker's Compensation shows up.
- So far this year, we are ahead of last year's Line 52. The credit is given to the posters and talking with the tax preparers. Senior Senator Eaton has contacted the Franchise Tax Board (FTB) regarding having some changes made to next year's tax forms instructions. She will email the changes to the FTB after the JRC meeting.

- Discussion of proposed relationship with CCS replacing California Foundation on Aging (CFoA). Senior Senator Cox has spoken with Gary Passmore from CCS regarding the proposed relationship but is still waiting for a response.
- Discussed the rewording of the Memorandum of Understanding Between the CFoA and the CSL. It was decided that the Board Members need to be listed on it. There was also a discussion Of CSL member representation on CFoA.

The report was accepted as read.

Fund Development – Senior Assembly Member Shirley Krohn, Chair

- Chair Krohn has made several presentations around the state regarding the CSL and received positive feedback. She has appointments for several more presentations. Chair Krohn shared with the committee that AB 2543 (Berg) is also S 2708 (Boxer). This bill will be voted on for supporting during the JRC meeting.
- Chair Krohn announced that two RFPs for the CSL video were submitted. They were date stamped upon receipt and will be unsealed in the presence of at least two committee members, the JRC chair, and one JRC vice chair.
- Senior Senator Bob Jaffee's monthly newsletters mention the Line 52 and the current status of the CSL bills.
- It was mentioned that the Statement of Commitment that each CSL member signs states that members need to write proposals and raise funds for CSL. This will be written up for the May CSL Newsletter.
- Chair Krohn has made contact with Mike Moreno from AARP. She wants an article of CSL to go into the AARP newsletter.
- Senior Senator Horace Mann suggested various ways to raise funds:
 - Charge member dues - \$10 a month
 - Secure member sponsorship from other organizations or PSAs
 - Secure member sponsorship from state legislators
 - Allow advertising on our website
 - Ask state legislator candidates or CSL members to advertise on website
 - Ask for Cooperations sponsorship
 - Plan giving
 - Profits from dinner/dance
- Update on legislative events causing more exposure for CSL will be discussed at next meeting.

The report was accepted as read.

(Over)

Policies & Procedures – Senior Senator Connie Eaton, Chair

- Issue of “tie” votes
The tie vote instructions will be copied to the Policy Section in the Resource Manual for members’ clarification.
- Length of Policy Committee assignments
The five JRC members and their alternates from the Policy Committees will be frozen on those committees for the two consecutive years so they will continue to represent the same Policy Committee.
- Clarification of Article VII, Section IV
Staff Jenkins to contact official parliamentarian, Scott Burns, and ask him what length of time does it take for an alternate member who becomes primary member on a committee for that length of time to be considered an official term of service – right away, six months, one year, etc.?
- Placement of 2007 By law change regarding Executive Orders
This subcommittee will research the Bylaw Changes for wording and then Staff Jenkins will create a P in Part III, V., Section 3 Legislative Policy and Legislative Achievement.

The report was accepted as read.

Public Relations – Senior Assembly Member Richard Dahlgren, Chair

- Line 52 Campaign
Senior Assembly Member Dahlgren passed around several articles that Senior Cox and himself wrote concerning Line 52 – California Fund for Senior Citizens.
- Members in Action (Articles, News Releases, Bulletins, etc.)
The members reported the presentations that they have given since the last subcommittee meeting and the various conferences attended. They also listed the various presentations that were coming up in the near future. The general consensus was more and more organizations are acknowledging the CSL and wanting to partner with us.
- Items from members regarding old business
Discussion took place regarding why the senior and disabled organizations need to work closer together.
- Economic Stimulus Promotion (Individuals preparing 1040A Tax Returns to get economic stimulus checks from IRS)
This is strictly federal and not state.
- Strategies to promote CSL’s legislative successes
Send out Press Releases on Chaptered Legislation
- Soliciting ideas for new legislative proposals
Continue to attend meetings with other organizations and listen for proposal ideas. Also ask the meeting attendees, “Have you ever thought there should be a law? Write it down and tell CSL.”

The report was accepted as read.

Session Planning – Senior Assembly Member Lola Young, Chair

- The committee is on schedule with the Task List.
- Brenda Jenkins will be volunteer coordinator this year.
- The Color Guard will be 4-Hers, who will also serve as volunteers.
- The proposal form has been emailed or snail mailed to everyone but a second copy will go out to make sure everyone has one.
- The Abbreviated schedule was discussed.

M/S/P (Eaton/Taylor)

APPROVED THE ABBREVIATED SCHEDULE.

- Ascertain by letter if Doris Roberts will be attending the Session as keynote speaker. If she isn't able to, the following people are to be invited in this order:
 1. Paul Greenwood – Attorney from San Diego
 2. Bob Blancoto – from Elder Justice Coalition
 3. Karen Black – Executive Director of State Volunteering and Services
- Ascertain how many CSL members will need disability traveling needs to determine special needs transportation.
- A suggestion was made to put the latest two to three years CSL's chaptered bills on tent cards in the middle of the tables at the Session.
- It was recommended to award the Mello Award to Assembly Woman Sally Lieber.

The report was accepted as read.

X. Legislative Committee Report

- Question has arisen of how many coauthors can there be on a bill?
- Sherry to check if ByLaws change was made last session.
- Senior Legal Hotline has requested our support again this year and it needs to be ratified.

M/S/P (AM/BJ)

RECONFIRM THE CSL SUPPORT FOR SENIOR LEGAL HOTLINE.

- Both alternates and primaries have been invited to the Legislative Committee meeting at the end of April to walk the halls.
- More and more requests are coming in for CSL to support bills. The latest:

SB 1400	Simitian	Approved support
AB 2105	DeSaulier	Approved support
SB 1259	Margett	Watch Bill
S 2708	Boxer	Approved support

SB 1164	Scott	Support if Leg Com approves
SB 1216	Scott	Support if Leg Com approves
SB 1140	Steinberg	Support if Leg Com approves
AB 2439	De La Torre	Support if Leg Com approves
AB 2543	Berg	Support if Leg Com approves

M/S/P (CE/BJ)

AUTHORIZE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE CHAIR TO SEND LETTERS OF SUPPORT TO THE BILLS THE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE APPROVES.

AB 152 (Beall) was gutted and amended so we will watch for now. Senior Senator Jaffee advised that the above bill has been amended so that it now reads the same as his proposal.

M/S/P (AM/RM)

REIMBURSE CONNIE EATON'S TRAVEL EXPENSES TO COME UP AND WALK THE HALLS.

Report was approved as read.

XI. Chair's Report

The Chair's Corner in the April CSL Newsletter is Chair Cox's report.

XII. Old Business

None

XIII. New Business

A. Naming the CSL Newsletter

The majority voted to keep the newsletter with the same name as it started with.

B. Discussion of changing one teleconference meeting to a meeting in Sacramento

It was decided that it would be beneficial to the CSL to have the June meeting in person instead of a teleconference.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.