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**JOINT RULES COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
SECOND REVISION**

**Tuesday & Wednesday, April 7-8, 2009
Vagabond Inn
909 Third St, Sacramento, CA 95814**

Chair: Senior Assembly Member Lola Young
Vice Chair: Senior Senator Dee Erman
Vice Chair: Senior Assembly Member Richard Wolfe
Senior Senators Joanna Kim-Selby, Kitty Mesler, and Carla Treuting
Senior Assembly Members Richard Dahlgren, Julia Rosenberg, and Billie Taylor
Immediate Past Chair: Senior Senator Joe Cox
Chair, Legislative Committee: Senior Senator Anne Mack

I. Call to Order

The April 8, 2009 Joint Rules Committee (JRC) Meeting was called to order by Chair Senior Assembly Member Lola Young at the Vagabond Inn Conference Room at 9:02 a.m.

Invocation was given by Vice Chair Senior Assembly Member Richard Wolfe.
Pledge was led by Chair Senior Assembly Member Lola Young.

II. Roll Call

Present: Senior Senators Joe Cox, Mattye Fegan-Perry, Joanna Kim-Selby, Anne Mack, and Kitty Mesler; Senior Assembly Members Richard Dahlgren, Julia Rosenberg, Billie Taylor, Richard Wolfe, and Lola Young

Excused: Senior Senator Dee Erman

Staff: Sherry Jenkins

A Quorum was established

III. Introductions

None

IV. Public Comments

None

(Over)

Mission: To Improve the Quality of Life for Aging Californians

Funded by the California Fund for Senior Citizens – FTB, Code 402

V. Approve Agenda of April 7-8, 2009 JRC Meeting

M/S/P (RW/RD)

APPROVE AGENDA OF APRIL 7-8, 2009 JRC MEETING.

VI. Approve Minutes of February 3-5, 2009 JRC Meeting

M/S/P (RD/RW)

APPROVE MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 3-5, 2009 JRC MEETING.

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

VII. Correspondence

- A. Comments from the February 4 Forum
Comments were sent to the CSL from the California Commission on Aging and they were shared with the JRC members.
- B. Thank You Card from CSL Member
A thank you card from Senior Senator Carla Treuting who is recovering from surgery was shared.

VIII. Sub-Committees Reports

Budget & Finance – Chair Senior Assembly Member Richard Wolfe

Suggestions were made to invite a Department of General Services representative to our June JRC meeting to explain in more detail the monthly budget report.

M/S/P (RW/RD)

APPROVE THE BUDGET & FINANCE SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT AS READ.

Fund Development – Vice Chair Senior Assembly Member Richard Dahlgren

Various sponsors were named.

Several complaints were mentioned regarding the email that was sent out on the Silver-Haired Legislation from the CSL office. They felt that it was a solicitation and they didn't feel it was appropriate.

Questions were asked regarding a list of senior centers in California and it was announced that there is a list on the CSL website.

Various money raisers were discussed:

- Code 402
- Sponsors
- Wills, Estates and gifts
- 501(C)(3)
- S.H.A.R.E. cards

More on money raisers in future meetings

M/S/P (RD/JR)

APPROVE THE FUND DEVELOPMENT SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT AS READ.

Public Relations – Chair Senior Assembly Member Richard Dahlgren

There was no Quorum - just discussions regarding:

Checkoff California has really helped with Code 402. A new Code 402 flyer was designed by Senior Assembly Member Dahlgren's son and is available to all members. A suggestion was made that members could have advertisement put on the back side to pay for the copying of these flyers.

Senior Assembly Member Dahlgren will create a sample press release on CSL Legislation and will send it out to CSL members who request it for their individual areas.

Policies and Procedures – Chair Senior Senator Joanna Kim-Selby

No meeting at this JRC meeting.

Session Planning – Chair Senior Assembly Member Julia Rosenberg

The Lt. Governor has accepted our invitation to be the keynote speaker at the Session this year.

It was announced that a volunteer coordinator is needed to take control of the staff room during the Session. Last year's volunteer coordinator Brenda Austin resigned as volunteer coordinator but will be doing the volunteer training this year.

Senior Senator Fegan-Perry will research how the Governor's letter can be received at a sooner date so that it can be put into each member's packet.

Various state legislators were suggested to conduct floor sessions:

- Assembly Member Dave Jones
- Assembly Member Isadore Hall II
- Assembly Member Jared Huffman
- Assembly Member Audra Strickland
- Assembly Member Bill Berryhill
- Assembly Member Connie Conway
- Senator Elaine Alquist
- Senator Lou Correa
- Senator Jeff Denham
- Senator Abel Maldonado

(Over)

It was suggested that due to the present economical situation, the program book ads should stay the same as last year.

An invitation to the Governor to attend the Session is to be sent out by the office. Senior Assembly Member Rosenberg will find a Catholic Priest to do the Invocation for the Opening Ceremonies.

It was decided that senior organizations would be charged this year for putting letters in the Program Book.

Staff Jenkins is to get bids on transportation to and from the Capitol Building and the Program Book.

Informational tables will be set up on each of the banquet room this year. A list of vendors will be sent to the office for Staff Jenkins to send notification to.

M/S/P (JR/MFP)

APPROVE THE SESSION PLANNING SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT AS READ.

IX. Legislative Committee Report – Chair Senior Senator Anne Mack

Senior Senator Mack discussed the latest Legislative Update. March Legislative Committee members walked the halls of the Capitol Building and they reported very positive results.

Staff Jenkins will send out the bill numbers and brief description to all JRC members on bills asking for support.

She advised that AB 215 be changed from Support to Watch.

The Legislative Committee voted to support the following bills:

AB 108 (Hayashi)	AB 768 (Torres)
AB 123 (Portantino)	AB 885 (Nestande)
AB 142 (Hayashi)	AB 1259 (Arambula)
AB 235 (Hayashi)	AB 1535 (Jones)
AB 292 (Yamada)	SB 290 (Leno)
AB 323 (Yamada)	SB 341 (DeSaulnier)
AB 329 (Feuer)	SB 344 (Strickland)
AB 378 (Cook)	SB 687 (Alquist)
AB 393 (Yamada)	SB 732 (Alquist)
AB 452 (Yamada)	SB 781 (Leno)
AB 498 (Hayashi)	SB 804 (Leno)
AB 583 (Hayashi)	

Senior Senator Mack shared that one of her Legislative Committee members had a stamp made with her name and phone number so she can stamp her contact information on the CSL brochures before giving them out for a personal contact in the area.

M/S/P (AM/JC)

APPROVE THE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT AS READ.

X. Chair's Report – Chair Senior Assembly Member Lola Young

Chair Young congratulated the CSL for bringing in such good results on the FTB Tax Form – better than the previous three years. She announced that we could be looking forward to a four-day Session next year if this continues.

Eight of the CSL proposals have become bills with one federal proposal being introduced and going through the processes. Two more proposals are going to be resolutions. The CSL is fast becoming known and respected among legislators and other senior organizations who are coming to the CSL for support. It used to be not long ago that people didn't know who or what the CSL is, but people not only know what it is but are wanting to get involved with it now. Chair Young believes the change is due to our members getting out there and telling people about our work. She also believes the CSL newsletter is also part of it. People are still calling and asking to be put on the distribution list.

Internal problems still exist, however. With Roberta Marti's resignation, there is now a vacant seat on the JRC for Senate Housing and Transportation policy committee. Due to members being termed out and new members not being here long enough, this will stay a problem for a while but the JRC will continue to work on it.

XI. Old Business

- A. Review of FTB Monies
This was covered in Fund Development Sub-Committee report.
- B. MOU from Commission on Aging for California (CoA) Foundation on Aging Staff Jenkins is to retype the MOU replacing CSL for CoA and send it out to JRC members. The vote on the MOU was tabled until next meeting. Ask the Leg Counsel advice on the MOU to protect the CSL's best interest.

M/S/P (RW/AM)

HAVE THE LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL REVIEW THE MOU TO ENSURE THAT IT'S IN THE CSL'S BEST INTEREST.

- C. Discussion of Donor Ads in Program Book
This was covered in the Session Planning Sub-Committee Report.

XII. New Business

- A. Reviewing and Voting on William Hollabaugh's October 2009 Program Book Contract

(Over)

M/S/P (JR/RD)

ACCEPT WILLIAM HOLLABAUGH'S CONTRACT FOR PRODUCING THE 2009 PROGRAM BOOK.

- B. Deciding on Ad Prices for 2009 Program Book

M/S/P (MFP/JC)

CHARGE THE SAME PRICES FOR 2009 PROGRAM BOOK AS LAST YEAR.

- C. Discussion of Leg Committee's "Support" Bills

M/S/P (RD/KM)

WHEN TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE, THE CHAIRS OF THE JRC AND LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEES CAN MAKE THE DECISION TO SUPPORT OR NOT TO SUPPORT ANOTHER ORGANIZATION'S BILL.

- D. Filling of Vacant Positions with JRC and Leg Committee
Due to lack of members with adequate years in CSL, it was suggested to amend the current rules and invite Senior Senator Timothy O'Keefe to be an alternate on Senate Finance and Insurance Committee.

M/S/P (AM/RD)

INVITE SENIOR SENATOR TIMOTHY O'KEEFE TO BE AN ALTERNATE ON THE SENATE FINANCE AND INSURANCE COMMITTEE.

M/S/P (AM/JC)

SEND A REGISTERED LETTER TO SENIOR SENATORS PAT JONES AND ALBERT NEWTON INVITING THEM TO REPLACE SENIOR SENATORS ROBERTA MARTI AND BUD WINSLOW ON THE SENATE HOUSING AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE WITH A CARBON COPY TO SENIOR SENATOR LENWOOD LONG.

- E. Discussion of LinkedIn, Twitter, Facebook, Online Community
It was decided not to participate in these various online activities at this time but Staff Jenkins will check out Online Community and report back to this committee.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:55 p.m.