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JOINT RULES COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday-Tuesday, June 14-15, 2010

Vagabond Inn
909 Third St, Sacramento, CA 95814

MINUTES

Chair: Senior Assembly Member Richard Dahlgren

Vice Chair: Senior Senator Dee Erman

Vice Chair: Senior Assembly Member Julia Rosenberg

Senior Senators Joanna Kim-Selby, Kitty Mesler, Betty Mulholland, and Carla Treuting
Senior Assembly Members Quincy Campbell, Don MacAllister, and Evelyn Tom

Immediate Past Chair: Senior Senator Lola Young

Chair, Legislative Committee: Senior Senator Anne Mack

Monday, June 14, 2010, 12:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Location: Vagabond Conference Room
909 Third Street, Sacramento

I. Call to Order

The June 14, 2010 Joint Rules Committee Meeting was called to order by Chair Senior Assembly Member Richard Dahlgren at 12:30 p.m.

Invocation was said by Senior Senator Betty Mulholland

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Senior Assembly Member Julia Rosenberg

II. Roll Call

Present: Senior Senators Dee Erman, Joanna Kim-Selby, Anne M. Mack, Betty Mulholland, Carla Treuting, and Lola Young; Senior Assembly Members Quincy Campbell, Richard Dahlgren, Julia Rosenberg, and Evelyn Tom

Excused: Senior Senator Lola Young and Senior Assembly Member Don MacAllister

Staff: Sherry Jenkins

A Quorum was established

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Mission: To Improve the Quality of Life for Aging Californians

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

III. Introductions

Derrell Kelch, Executive Director of CA Association of Area Agencies on Aging and William Hollabaugh, Web Master

IV. Public Comments

None

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

V. Approve Agenda of June 14-15, 2010 JRC Meeting.

M/S/P (Evelyn Tom/Dee Erman)

APPROVE THE AGENDA OF THE JUNE 14-15, 2010 JRC MEETING AS SUBMITTED.

VI. Approve Minutes of April 12-13, 2010 JRC Meeting.

M/S/P (Carla Treuting/Joanna Kim-Selby)

APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE APRIL 12-13, 2010 JRC MEETING AS SUBMITTED.

VII. Correspondence

- A. November 2010 C4A Conference in Los Angeles
Derrell Kelch shared information on this conference and encouraged the CSL to participate in it.

M/S/P (Julia Rosenberg/Carla Treuting)

TO HAVE THE CSL SUPPORT THE C4A BY ATTENDING THE NOVEMBER ANNUAL MEETING AND ALLIED CONFERENCE IN LOS ANGELES AND APPOINTING SENIOR SENATOR TREUTING TO WORK WITH C4A ON THIS MEETING.

- B. Chair Dahlgren appointed Senior Assembly Member Campbell to be our representative for AARP with possibly two more CSL members being appointed later to help.
The LA Caucus minutes were sent to Chair Dahlgren who noticed several mistakes on them and asked for discussion from the JRC.
- The SMIF account will not be used until we use our full budget first. That account belongs solely to the CSL and will not be released to anyone else.

- The Policy Committee Chairs and Vice Chairs Orientation at the October Session will be led by Senior Senator Mulholland and Senior Assembly Member Zelda Hutcherson this year. Chair Dahlgren requested that Senior Senator Ed Woods be asked to help with orientation as well. Chair Dahlgren announced that Senior Senator Mulholland's expenses will be covered and will be reimbursed to her.
- The Bylaw changes will be posted on the CSL website shortly.

M/S/P (Kitty Mesler/Dee Erman)

SEND LETTERS TO ALL THE NEW POLITICAL CANDIDATES DESCRIBING CSL'S NON PARTISAN DEALING WITH SENIOR ISSUES. SENIOR ASSEMBLY MEMBER TOM WILL TYPE THE LETTERS AND SENIOR SENATOR MACK WILL PROVIDE THE NAMES AND ADDRESSES. STAFF JENKINS WILL SEND THE DOCUMENT OUT ELECTRONICALLY.

Sub-Committees Met from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Fund Development/Public Relations	1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Policies and Procedures	2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Budget and Finance	3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Session Planning	4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Tuesday, June 15, 2010, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

**Location: Vagabond Conference Room
909 Third Street, Sacramento**

III. Introductions

Margaret Geodzik - guest

VIII. Sub-Committees Reports

- A. Fund Development/Public Relations – Chair, Senior Assembly Member Julia Rosenberg

Report was given by William Hollabaugh:

- The CSL website is being constantly updated with information sent from the office. Donations can be sent through the website by using PayPal but due to needing a bank account that will allow open access and the constant monitoring needed to make sure everything flows smoothly, it was agreed to table this subject for now.
- The 2009 Session Program Book had a total of 40 pages with 51 paid advertisements and 8 sponsor ads.

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The 2008 Session Program Book had a total of 52 pages with 68 paid advertisements and 9 sponsor ads.

The program book is edited by several people before printing but due to the large number of last minute changes in the session schedule, there are always errors.

- The reports of nominations by the Policy Committees have been lost by either the committee box not being turned in or the report is not in the box. It is inappropriate for staff to ask for the committee chair's memory of the nominations. The reporting form should be simplified to make it easier to understand who was nominated.
- There seems to be a continuing lack of participation of the members in attendance with respect to prioritizing of proposals. There has to be ten state and four federal proposals marked or the ballot cannot be counted. This can seriously affect the end result.

Methodology:

- A. Only complete forms are considered.
- B. The rank assigned by the members for each selected proposal is entered into an Excel spreadsheet, which has a check for correctness of entry.
- C. The spreadsheet performs a calculation to obtain a score for each proposal.
- D. The proposals are then sorted according to the score to obtain the overall proposal rank.

This is all accomplished in a short time once the ballots are completed. The results can be returned before the end of the afternoon Joint Floor Session.

Mr. Hollabaugh also commented that he didn't think the CSL logo is registered and is concerned for the organization. Senior Assembly Member Rosenberg has agreed to research this with Mr. Hollabaugh's help. Senior Assembly Member Tom showed examples of updated CSL stationery.

A question arose concerning whether or not the CSL has a legal contact and it was ascertained that there isn't any currently. Research will be done on attaining one.

Senior Assembly Member Tom researched schools that could produce commercials and discovered that most of the schools had their budgets cut and are now unable to accommodate our request.

Chair Dahlgren advised that he is inviting Senior Assembly Member Charles Molnar to the next JRC meeting to present a proposal on TV spot advertising.

Chair Dahlgren is filling out the paperwork required for a WalMart grant but would like a sub-committee to continue working on this project with him leading it. Senior Assembly Members Campbell and Tom volunteered to help him with that.

Chair Dahlgren had discussed gift giving with Senior Senator Horace Mann

who shared a website that explains how gift giving works with wills. Chair Dahlgren will create a brochure that can be distributed.

It was commented that all members need to have donation envelopes with them when making presentations.

M/S/P (Quincy Campbell/Carla Treuting)

GO FORWARD ON THE GIFT GIVING PROGRAM.

M/S/P (Kitty Mesler/Betty Mulholland)

APPROVE THE FUND DEVELOPMENT/PUBLIC RELATIONS SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT AS SUBMITTED.

B. Policies and Procedures – Chair, Senior Senator Joanna Kim-Selby

The new Bylaw changes have been made and will be sent to the website shortly. The question of districts in the PSAs was dropped due to very few PSAs have districts and the elections are past. The election process needs to be revisited before the next election due to various discrepancies in the PSAs.

Due to the continuing problem of members still leaving early on the last day of Session, roll call will be taken at the end of the last day and this will also be listed in the Resource Manual. Senior Assembly Member Campbell volunteered to take care of the roll call on the Assembly side and Senior Senator Mesler will take care of the Senate side. After the roll call is taken, these two people will personally give the marked roll call to the Executive Secretary so that the results can be recorded

It was decided that there will be a discussion in the next full JRC meeting on what does the reference “lot” mean in the Resource Manual in the voting section – Section 8, page 4.C – How to resolve a tie.

M/S/P (Anne Mack/Carla Treuting)

APPROVE THE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT AS SUBMITTED.

C. Budget and Finance – Chair, Senior Assembly Member Don MacAllister

Due to Senior Assembly Member MacAllister’s absence, Senior Assembly Member Dahlgren gave this report. He advised that the CSL’s Code 402 is doing well but it still needs almost \$25,000 to fulfill the \$250,000 requirement.

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Senior Assembly Member Dahlgren explained that the Surplus Money Investment Fund (SMIF) Account is an interest-bearing account that belongs to the CSL. The money in the CSL's budget that is not spent at the end of the fiscal year is carried forward into this account. In order to access any of the funds in this account, the CSL must show a need for the funds! It was suggested that an item be put on the budget possibly under communications an "Education Items for Election." The revised spreadsheet on the 2009 October Session expenses and revenues was distributed. A proposed new budget for 2012 is currently being created by Senior Assembly Member MacAllister.

M/S/P (Julia Rosenberg/Evelyn Tom)

APPROVE THE BUDGET AND FINANCE SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT AS SUBMITTED.

D. Session Planning – Chair, Senior Senator Lola Young

Due to Senior Senator Young's absence, Senior Assembly Member Tom gave this report.

Changes were made to the Abbreviated Session Schedule to show the new Roll Call and to separate the JRC and Legislative Committee meetings on the last day of the Session.

Due to working with the new proposals, May and June items on the Review Task List will be completed by the end of June. Senior Senator Mack advised that she had a suggestion for a singer that she would like to hear at the Opening Ceremonies. Senior Assembly Member Tom is interviewing ministers for the Invocation at the Opening Ceremonies.

Senior Assembly Member Rosenberg reported that she has arranged for entertainment for all three banquets: A band with a Big Band Sound, Chinese Dancers, and singers. A suggested vendor list was given to Staff Jenkins to send request letters regarding the information tables.

M/S/P (Sharon Lamagno/Betty Mulholland)

INVITE INDIAN CASINOS TO SPONSOR OR BUY INFORMATION TABLES AT THE SESSION.

Senior Assembly Member Shirley Krohn is working on a PowerPoint Session Introduction for new members for the morning of Monday, October 25, 2010.

M/S/P (Anne Mack/Julia Rosenberg)
1 Abstention

APPROVE \$500.00 FOR THE PURCHASE OF CARD HOLDERS AND EMORY BOARDS TO ADVERTISE THE CSL'S 30TH ANNIVERSARY.

M/S/P (Kitty Mesler/Julia Rosenberg)

APPROVE THE SESSION PLANNING SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT AS SUBMITTED.

IX. Legislative Committee Report – Chair, Senior Senator Anne M. Mack

Chair Senior Senator Mack shared an update on current sponsored and supported Legislation – 11 sponsored, 16 supported – 1 chaptered so far. She advised that hearings are going on every week.

On July 6-8, the Legislative Committee will be assigning the 79 new proposals into Policy Committees. Chair Senior Senator Mack reminded everyone that sometimes proposals have to be put into second choice committees to have fair representation on all the Policy Committees.

M/S/P (Julia Rosenberg/Betty Mulholland)

APPROVE THE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT AS SUBMITTED.

X. Chair's Report – Senior Assembly Member Richard Dahlgren

Chair Senior Assembly Member Dahlgren called an Executive Committee meeting August 9, 2010, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. to discuss staffing needs and review procedure to appoint Policy Committee chairs and vice-chairs.

The CSL has been asked to be a sponsor for the Mental Health Conference in October again this year and this item will be on the September JRC agenda.

XI. Old Business

A. Check-off California Status
Reported earlier in this agenda.

B. CSL Elections/PSAs
The cost of the 2010 CSL elections is approximately \$7,093.00. Paperwork is still being processed to cover this. There were 38 senior senators and 73 senior assembly members elected this year. One PSA's results still hasn't been heard from.

M/S/P (Kitty Mesler/Quincy Campbell)

THE CSL OFFICE IS TO SEND RECOGNITION CERTIFICATES TO NON-RETURNING MEMBERS.

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- C. Legislative Proposals Received
The CSL office received 79 new proposals this year and these have been reformatted into legal language by the Leg Counsel. The voting for the Top 10 state and Top 4 federal proposals were reviewed. Members were reminded that when picking up another member's past year proposal, that member should be notified before the proposal is submitted.

- D. Discussion of Office Staffing Needs
There will be an intern working in the office part time from July to the end of November. This intern will not be paid but is working for college credit. Other college intern programs are still being researched. A part-time Executive Director is also being considered.

- E. New Member Orientations – Caucus Reports
There will be three different orientations on the first morning of the 2010 Anniversary Legislative Session – Policy Committee Chairs and Vice-Chairs, Session Introduction for New Members, and Volunteer Orientation. Both new and returning members are welcome to attend the Session Introduction for New Members.

M/S/P (Julia Rosenberg/Betty Mulholland)

HOLD A NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE JRC MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 14 FROM 10:00 A.M. TO 5:00 P.M.

A suggestion was made to have a JRC members' orientation in conjunction with the November C4A meeting in Los Angeles. This item will be placed on the September JRC agenda.

- F. Policy Committees
These will be appointed by the JRC Executive Committee in August.

XII. New Business

- A. Bylaws Change Status
Bylaw changes have been made and will be posted to the website shortly.

- B. AARP Representative/Plan
Discussion took place regarding a three-year plan with the CSL working with AARP to promote programs for seniors. Senior Senator Mesler and Senior Assembly Members Quincy Campbell, Dahlgren and Tom will work together to create a survey to be sent to the CSL members.

- C. Session Program Book/Ads
Chair Senior Assembly Member Dahlgren encouraged the committee members to actively solicit ads for the Session Program Books and reminded them to send their own business cards in.

D. CSL Terms/Pins/Awards

The Moira Jackson and Volunteer Recognition applications will be sent out shortly. Reminder that these need members to send these applications back in.

JRC Picture for Session Program Book was taken.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 a.m.