

CALIFORNIA STATE ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES
 BOARD OF DIRECTORS
 Thursday, December 3, 2015
 Marriott Hotel, Monterey, CA

MINUTES

Presiding: Vito Chiesa, President

1. ROLL CALL

Alameda	Keith Carson	Placer	absent
Alpine	Terry Woodrow	Plumas	Lori Simpson
Amador	Forster/Boitano	Riverside	absent
Butte	Bill Connelly	Sacramento	Susan Peters
Calaveras	Michael Oliveira	San Benito	Margie Barrios (audio)
Colusa	absent	San Bernardino	absent
Contra Costa	John Gioia	San Diego	Roberts/Cox
Del Norte	David Finigan	San Francisco	vacant
El Dorado	Ron Mikulaco	San Joaquin	Bob Elliott
Fresno	Henry Perea	San Luis Obispo	Bruce Gibson
Glenn	John Viegas	San Mateo	Carole Groom
Humboldt	Virginia Bass	Santa Barbara	Doreen Farr
Imperial	Jack Terrazas	Santa Clara	Ken Yeager
Inyo	Jeff Griffiths	Santa Cruz	Bruce McPherson
Kern	Leticia Perez	Shasta	Leonard Moty
Kings	Doug Verboon	Sierra	Lee Adams
Lake	absent	Siskiyou	Ed Valenzuela
Lassen	Jim Chapman	Solano	Linda Seifert
Los Angeles	absent	Sonoma	Efren Carrillo
Madera	Tom Wheeler	Stanislaus	Vito Chiesa
Marin	Damon Connolly	Sutter	Larry Munger
Mariposa	John Carrier	Tehama	Robert Williams
Mendocino	Carre Brown	Trinity	Judy Morris
Merced	Hubert "Hub" Walsh	Tulare	Steve Worthley
Modoc	Geri Byrne	Tuolumne	Sherri Brennan
Mono	Larry Johnston	Ventura	Kathy Long
Monterey	Fernando Armenta	Yolo	Jim Provenza
Napa	Diane Dillon	Yuba	Roger Abe
Nevada	Ed Scofield		Advisors: Rick Haffey and Charles McKee
Orange	Lisa Bartlett		

The presence of a quorum was noted.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of September 3, 2015 were approved as previously mailed.

3. CSAC CORPORATE PARTNERS REPORT

Josh Miller of Aetna addressed the Board of Directors and indicated they will be offering assistance to the victims of the San Bernardino County shooting. Briefing materials included a description of the health care benefits Aetna provides to local governments.

4. CSAC FINANCE CORPORATION REPORT

Supervisor Linda Seifert, President of the CSAC Finance Corporation, discussed programs that are currently being offered and encouraged Board members to participate in these programs. Program details were contained in the briefing materials. She also thanked CSAC for the Circle of Service award the Finance Corporation received for the work it has been doing on organization efficiency. Alan Fernandes was introduced as the new Executive Vice President of the Finance Corporation.

5. ELECTION OF 2016 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Urban, Suburban and Rural caucuses submitted the following Executive Committee nominees for approval by the Board of Directors:

Urban Section

Keith Carson, Alameda
John Gioia, Contra Costa
Carole Groom, San Mateo
Don Knabe, Los Angeles
Kathy Long, Ventura
Ken Yeager, Santa Clara
Greg Cox, San Diego (alternate)

Rural Section

David Finigan, Del Norte
Ed Valenzuela, Siskiyou
Virginia Bass, Humboldt (alternate)

Suburban Section

Bruce Gibson, San Luis Obispo
Leonard Moty, Shasta
Linda Seifert, Solano
Hubert "Hub" Walsh, Merced (alternate)

Motion and second to approve Executive Committee nominees. Motion carried unanimously.

In addition, Pat Blacklock, CAOAC President, and Charles McKee, County Counsel Association Past President, will serve as advisors.

6. CSAC POLICY COMMITTEE REPORTS

Administration of Justice. Supervisor John Viegas, Chair of the CSAC Administration of Justice policy committee, presented a report on the meeting held this morning. The committee received reports on Proposition 47; The Pew-MacArthur Results First initiative; DMV inmate identification implementation; and 2016 legislative priorities. No items were brought forward for consideration by the Board of Directors.

Agriculture, Environment & Natural Resources. Supervisor Diane Dillon, Chair of the CSAC Agriculture, Environment & Natural Resources policy committee, presented a report on the meeting held earlier in the week. The committee received reports on Water Rights 101; wildfire prevention and recovery; increasing California's renewable portfolio standard; pharmaceutical ordinance for drug take-back programs; and 2016 legislative priorities. No items were brought forward for consideration by the Board of Directors. The briefing materials contained an update on the Stormwater/Water Conservation initiative.

Government Finance & Operations. Supervisor Henry Perea, Chair of the CSAC Government Finance & Operations policy committee, presented a report on the meeting held this morning. The committee received reports on the state budget, Affordable Care Act excise tax; GASB 68 and GASB 77; 2016 legislative priorities, and took action to co-sponsor AB 1238 related to electronic applications for certified copies of certain types of vital records, and AB 1546 authorizing secure alternatives to intaglio print for vital records. No items were brought forward for consideration by the Board of Directors.

Health & Human Services. Supervisor Ken Yeager, Chair of the CSAC Health & Human Services policy committee, presented a report from the meeting held earlier this week. The committee received reports on the Medi-Cal 2020 waiver; behavioral health priorities; Poverty Working Group; and 2016 legislative priorities. No items were brought forward for consideration by the Board of Directors.

Housing, Land Use & Transportation. CSAC staff presented a report from the meeting held earlier in the week. The committee received reports on the state and federal transportation reauthorization; Indian Gaming Working Group; land use and housing policy; and 2016 legislative priorities.

The policy committee recommended the Board of Directors take action to support the amendments to S. 1879 (Barrasso) Federal Fee-to-Trust Reform legislation. This bill is consistent with several of CSAC's key policies for reforming the fee-to-trust process. A number of changes suggested by CSAC are now included in the amended version of the bill. A memo detailing the amendments was distributed to Board members.

Motion and second to approve the policy committee recommendation to support S. 1879 as amended. Motion carried. Tuolumne County abstained.

7. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT AND RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONDUCT OF CSAC BUSINESS

Matt Cate announced that Stanicia Boatner was recently promoted to a legislative analyst, Karen Schmelzer was hired as a legislative assistant, and Amalia Mejia was hired as a program coordinator for the Results First Initiative, a partnership between CSAC and the Pew Foundation.

Motion and second to approve the annual resolution authorizing the CSAC Executive Director to conduct business on behalf of the Board of Directors. Motion carried unanimously.

8. REQUEST FOR POSITION ON STATE FEES ON HOSPITALS INITIATIVE

This initiative would repeal the sunset date for the hospital Quality Assurance Fee and would instead extend it indefinitely. Further, the initiative seeks to ensure that the State uses the funds for the intended purpose of supporting hospital care to Medi-Cal patients and to help pay for health care for low-income children. The Quality Assurance Fee was first established in 2009 when California was seeking to maximize federal funding for health care services. The fee is a payment made by private hospitals to the state, which then uses those funds to leverage federal funding for health care services.

Anne McLeod, from the California Hospital Association, spoke in favor of the initiative and staff recommended that the Board of Directors adopt a 'Support' position on *State Fees on Hospitals. Federal Medi-Cal matching Funds. Initiative Statutory and Constitutional Amendment*, which has qualified for the November 2016 ballot.

Motion and second to adopt a 'Support' position on the above initiative. Motion carried unanimously.

9. CONSIDERATION OF CSAC STRATEGIC PLAN

Over the past year, CSAC has been developing a strategic plan with critical input from all staff, as well as staff from the CSAC Finance Corporation, CSAC Institute and broad discussion with CAOAC. Staff outlined the plan contained in the briefing materials and noted that staff will be creating work plans for each of the goals.

Motion and second to approve the 2016 CSAC Strategic Plan. Motion carried unanimously.

10. INSTITUTE FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ILG)
Martin Gonzalez, Executive Director of the Institute for Local Government (ILG), presented an update on ILG activities. He noted that San Mateo County was chosen as the Beacon Award recipient this year for its comprehensive approach to sustainability.
11. OTHER ITEMS
Staff announced that Fresno County recently moved from the suburban to urban caucus of CSAC.
12. CLOSED SESSION
The Board of Directors adjourned to a closed session regarding proposed amendments to the CSAC Constitution. Item will be brought to the Board during the 2016 legislative conference for action.

Meeting adjourned.