

CALIFORNIA STATE ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

December 2, 2021

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MINUTES

1. Roll Call

OFFICERS

James Gore | President
Ed Valenzuela | 1st Vice President
Chuck Washington | 2nd Vice President
Lisa Bartlett | Immediate Past President

CSAC STAFF

Graham Knaus | Executive Director
Manuel Rivas, Jr. | Deputy Executive Director,
Operations & Member Services
Jacqueline Wong-Hernandez | Deputy
Executive Director, Legislative Affairs

ADVISORS

Rita Neal, County Counsels, San Luis Obispo (Absent)
Frank Kim, California Association of County
Executives President, Orange County (Absent)

Alameda	– Absent	Orange	– Lisa Bartlett
Alpine	– Terry Woodrow	Placer	– Bonnie Gore
Amador	– Jeff Brown (alternate)	Plumas	– Greg Hagwood
Butte	– Debra Lucero	Riverside	– Chuck Washington
Calaveras	– Merita Callaway	Sacramento	– Absent
Colusa	– Kent Boes	San Benito	– Bea Gonzalez
Contra Costa	– Diane Burgis (alternate)	San Bernardino	– Janice Rutherford
Del Norte	– Chris Howard	San Diego	– Nora Vargas
El Dorado	– Sue Novasel	San Francisco	– Absent
Fresno	– Buddy Mendes	San Joaquin	– Chuck Winn
Glenn	– Keith Corum	San Luis Obispo	– Bruce Gibson
Humboldt	– Virginia Bass	San Mateo	– Carole Groom
Imperial	– Raymond Castillo	Santa Barbara	– Das Williams
Inyo	– Jeff Griffiths	Santa Clara	– Susan Ellenberg
Kern	– Zack Scrivner	Santa Cruz	– Absent
Kings	– Craig Pedersen	Shasta	– Leonard Moty
Lake	– Bruno Sabatier	Sierra	– Lee Adams
Lassen	– Absent	Siskiyou	– Brandon Criss (alternate)
Los Angeles	– Kathryn Barger	Solano	– Erin Hannigan
Madera	– David Rogers	Sonoma	– Lynda Hopkins
Marin	– Damon Connolly	Stanislaus	– Vito Chiesa
Mariposa	– Miles Menetrey	Sutter	– Dan Flores
Mendocino	– John Haschak	Tehama	– Robert Williams
Merced	– Scott Silveira	Trinity	– Keith Groves
Modoc	– Ned Coe	Tulare	– Amy Shuklian
Mono	– John Peters	Tuolumne	– Ryan Campbell
Monterey	– Luis Alejo	Ventura	– Kelly Long
Napa	– Diane Dillon	Yolo	– Absent
Nevada	– Heidi Hall	Yuba	– Gary Bradford

This meeting was convened in honor and remembrance of the 14 lives lost on the December 2nd, 2015, San Bernardino County terrorist attack

2. Executive Director's Report

Graham Knaus, CSAC Executive Director, introduced new team members Ryan Morimune, CSAC's legislative representative for Administration of Justice, and Matthew Brooks-Pritchard, from the CSAC Foundation team. Mr. Knaus also honored Stanicia Boatner, CSAC's AOJ analyst, for receiving her institute credentials and Francisco Beltrain, CSAC's print shop manager for his retirement after 28 years of service.

3. Approval of Minutes from September 2nd, 2021

A motion to approve the minutes from September 2nd, 2021, was made by Supervisor Barger; second by Supervisor Flores. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Election of 2022 Executive Committee

A motion to approve the 2022 CSAC Executive Committee, was made by Supervisor Hannigan; second by Supervisor Alejo. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Consideration of Initial 2022 CSAC Legislative and Communications Priorities

A motion to approve the 2022 CSAC Legislative and Communications Priorities, was made by Supervisor Silveira; second by Supervisor Bass. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Consideration of Changes to Membership Dues Structure

A motion to approve the Changes to the Membership Dues Structure, was made by Supervisor Silveira; second by Supervisor Long. Motion carried unanimously.

7. Resolution Authorizing Conduct of CSAC Business

A motion to approve the Resolution Authorizing Conduct of CSAC Business, was made by Supervisor Ellenberg; second by Supervisor Groom. Motion carried unanimously.

8. Endorsement of Supervisor James Gore in his campaign for NACo 2nd Vice President

CSAC President & Sonoma County Supervisor James Gore informed the board that he would be running for the National Association of Counties (NACo) 2nd Vice President position and asked for the support of the Board.

A motion to endorse Supervisor Gore in his campaign for NACo 2nd Vice President, was made by Supervisor Valenzuela; and was seconded by the entire CSAC Board of Directors.

9. Federal Priorities Issues Update

Joe Krahn, of Paragon Government Relations, provided a federal update to the Board on provided a brief summary of CSAC's federal advocacy.

10. Caucus Reports

Suburban

Supervisor James Gore, Suburban Caucus Chair, provided a brief update on the Suburban Caucus meeting, which included the election of the new CSAC 2nd Vice President, Supervisor Bruce Gibson of San Luis Obispo County, and the election of their new Executive Committee alternate, Supervisor Scott Silveira of Merced County.

Rural

Supervisor Ed Valenzuela, Rural Caucus Chair, reported that the caucus held a roundtable about important issues facing rural counties and elected their new Executive Committee alternate, Supervisor Bob Williams of Tehama County.

Urban

Supervisor Chuck Washington, Urban Caucus Chair, reported that the caucus elected CSAC Past President Lisa Bartlett of Orange County to the Executive Committee.

11. CSAC Policy Committee Reports

Jacqueline Wong-Hernandez reported that the policy committees met over the last few days to adopt their legislative priorities and work plans.

Supervisor Kelly Long, Chair of Administration of Justice, reported that the committee had a presentation on AB 372, and on Felony Incompetent to Stand Trial - the Department of State Hospitals Working Group. They also adopted their 2022 Priorities.

Supervisor Chris Howard, Chair of Agriculture, Environment and Natural Resources, reported that the committee had two presentations: 1) Shifting the Paradigm: Wildfire in the Modern Era and 2) The Changing Face of Agriculture in California: Is Regenerative, Organic Farming a Solution? The committee also adopted their 2022 priorities.

Supervisor Bruce Gibson, Chair of Government, Finance and Administration reported that the committee celebrated the success of their broadband efforts and approved the committee's advocacy principles and 2022 priorities. The committee also had an important discussion about the challenges of public meetings and the future of the Brown Act.

Supervisor Jeff Griffiths, Chair of Health and Human Services, reported on several presentations that occurred including: Improving Services and Supports for Highest Needs Foster Youth and the Future of Public Health Funding. Tom Joseph of Paragon Government Relations also provided a Federal HHS Policy update, and the committee adopted their 2022 priorities.

Supervisor Jennifer Kreitz, Vice-Chair of Housing, Land Use and Transportation, reported that the committee had two presentations: The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act: Upcoming Opportunities for County Transportation Projects, and The Future of the Gas Tax & California Transportation Revenue Trends. The Committee also approved their 2022 priorities.

12. CSAC Finance Corporation Report

Supervisor Leonard Moty, Finance Corporation President, and Alan Fernandes, Finance Corporation CEO, reported that the Finance Corporation had a successful year and highlighted several key programs, including Easy Smart Pay, and the California Cannabis Authority, and briefly discussed new ventures with the California Coverage and Health Initiatives.

Jim Manker, Director of Business Development, introduced CSAC Platinum Partner, Rick Brush, Chief Member Services Officer of Prism, who presented on Prism's insurance services.

The meeting was adjourned in memory of Alameda County Supervisor Wilma Chan.

The next Board of Directors meeting will be on March 3, 2022.