

CALIFORNIA STATE ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
May 19, 2016  
Hyatt Regency Hotel, Sacramento

M I N U T E S

Presiding: Richard Forster, President

1. ROLL CALL

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

The presence of a quorum was noted.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of February 18, 2016 were approved as previously mailed.

3. GOVERNOR'S MAY REVISION OF THE 2016-17 STATE BUDGET

Michael Cohen, Director of the State Department of Finance, reported that the Governor released his May revision of the state budget last week and the revenue forecast is down by \$2 billion from the January estimates. He noted that minimum wage and the managed care extension are big issues in the May Revise. The Governor is continuing to advocate for increasing the size of the state's Rainy Day Fund, using current revenue on one-time items and to pay off debt, and avoiding new ongoing commitments.

4. CSAC REPORT ON GOVERNOR'S MAY REVISION

Staff reported that the Governor's May Revision includes additional funding to help areas most impacted by tree mortality. Specifically, \$11 million in General Fund monies would go to Cal Fire to assist with tree removal and disposal. The Assembly Budget Subcommittee redirected \$250 million that was slated for local jail construction and rehabilitation projects. Staff will continue to advocate for getting those funds back. The budget also includes \$177 million to 19 counties that chose the formula option under AB 85, Affordable Care Act implementation. It also increases funding for county implementation of AB 403, Group Home Reform. CSAC and other county stakeholders will continue to work with the Administration to ensure counties receive sufficient funding for capacity building and the implementation of the new practice requirements under AB 403. Details on these budget items as well as a complete May Revise analysis was sent to all counties last week. It is also available on the CSAC website.

5. CSAC FINANCE CORPORATION REPORT

Supervisor Linda Seifert, President of the CSAC Finance Corporation, reported that the Finance Corp. Board approved its annual budget at the recent Finance Corp. annual meeting in Riverside County. Given the projected increase in net revenue for the current fiscal year, the Finance Corp. Board approved up to an additional \$300,000 contribution to CSAC in the current year. A large part of the projected increase in net revenue is attributable to the success of the California Statewide Communities Development Authority (CSCDA). The Finance Corp. will be co-hosting a series of US Communities Supplier Summits aimed at bringing in county and city end-users to meet suppliers and learn more about the program. The first one will be held on May 24 in San Bernardino County.

6. CSAC CORPORATE PARTNER REMARKS

Steve Bennett from Dominion Voting Systems reported that there are currently 35 counties under contract with Dominion. They are working with counties to potentially implement an all-mail balloting system in the event that legislation passes in California. He noted that Colorado currently has all-mail balloting in place and has saved 40% in election costs.

7. CSAC OPERATIONS AND MEMBER SERVICES UPDATE

Staff reported that the CSAC Corporate Partnership Program is currently at 63 members. CSAC held a regional meeting in Shasta County of March 24 to discuss tree mortality. Sixteen counties attended. The next regional meeting will be in Amador County on June 16, and will focus on public safety issues. Staff noted that CSAC now operates on a strong fiscal foundation, due in large part to the sale of the Ransohoff building. Employee retirement cost sharing was also implemented as well as multiple efficiencies. CSAC's headquarters building has now been paid off, eliminating all debt. The Call for Entries for the 2016 CSAC Challenge Awards opened in April. The CSAC Institute continues to evolve to meet the education needs of counties. Classes are now being offered in Sacramento, San Diego, Merced and Contra Costa.

8. CSAC POLICY COMMITTEE REPORTS

***Housing, Land Use & Transportation.*** Staff reported that the policy committee meeting held on May 19, was devoted entirely to housing policy discussion. The committee heard reports from the CA

Department of Housing and Community Development and updates on the numerous housing proposals currently in the Legislature. Staff distributed a memo outlining the various housing proposals.

**Health & Human Services.** Supervisor Ken Yeager, Chair of the Health & Human Services (HHS) policy committee, presented a report from the meeting held on May 19. The committee received updates on the HHS portion of the Governor's May Revise, jail medical costs, In Home Supportive Services (IHSS) issues, and a presentation by Sacramento County on "Strategies for Creating Permanency for Older Foster Youth." No action items were brought forward for Board consideration.

**Government Finance & Administration.** Supervisor Henry Perea, Chair of the Government Finance & Administration policy committee, presented a report from the meeting held on May 19. The committee considered a measure on the November ballot titled "No Blank Checks" Revenue Bond Approval. This measure requires statewide voter approval for the state to issue revenue bonds exceeding \$2b for any single project. The policy committee voted to oppose the measure. It will be brought before the Executive Committee in August and the Board of Directors in September.

**Agriculture, Environment & Natural Resources.** Supervisor Diane Dillon, Chair of the CSAC Agriculture, Environment & Natural Resources policy committee, presented a report from the meeting held on May 19. The committee received reports on medical marijuana, tree mortality, the Delta tunnels proposal, climate change and waste management. No action items were brought forward for Board consideration.

**Administration of Justice.** Supervisor Virginia Bass, Vice-Chair of the Administration of Justice policy committee, presented a report from the meeting held on May 18. The committee heard a presentation on San Bernardino County's response to the recent domestic terrorist attack. Alameda County Sheriff Ahern provided a presentation on a regional emergency preparedness exercise for first responders.

9. BROADBAND PLATFORM LANGUAGE

In the fall of 2015, CSAC began developing language to guide advocacy efforts following increased state and federal legislative actions related to broadband, or high speed internet. Staff presented draft CSAC Platform language as contained in the briefing materials. This language was previously reviewed and approved by the Executive Committee.

Motion and second to adopt Broadband policy and include in the CSAC Platform. Motion carried unanimously.

10. FORMATION OF JOINT TASK FORCE ON HOMELESSNESS

To foster collaboration on combatting homelessness, CSAC is proposing the formation of a joint task force on homeless issues with the League of California Cities (League). The task force would meet in person in Sacramento at least three times in 2016, and consist of an even number of city and county representatives. The League approved the formation of the task force in April and the desire of both CSAC and the League is to hold an initial meeting by late May/early June. Staff requested that the Board affirm the authority of the CSAC Officers to make appointments to the task force.

Motion and second to approve the formation of a Joint Task Force on Homelessness and affirm CSAC Officers' authority to appoint members. Motion carried unanimously.

11. PROPOSED CSAC BUDGET FOR FY 2016-17

Supervisor Judy Morris, CSAC Treasurer, outlined the draft CSAC Budget for FY 2016-17, as contained in the briefing materials. The budget was previously approved by the Executive Committee. She noted the following highlights: no dues increase; Finance Corp. contribution will be \$3.5 million; Corporate Associates revenue increased by 20%; and continuation of the CSAC Institute satellite programs. It was noted that CSAC has implemented an Operating Reserve Policy and a Procurement Policy to strengthen fiscal operations. In addition, CSAC will be paying off its building mortgage this year.

Motion and second to adopt the CSAC Budget for FY 2016-17. Motion carried unanimously.

12. PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO CSAC CONSTITUTION

At its December 2015 meeting, the Board of Directors reached consensus in support of draft amendments to the CSAC Constitution, and directed staff to bring the proposal back for final approval. The draft language was contained in the briefing materials. The first proposed change seeks to clarify

that CSAC is a private nonprofit, not a legislative body. Directors would be nominated instead of appointed by counties, and then approved by the Executive Committee. The second amendment is a clarification dealing with CSAC's financial involvement in issue campaigns. CSAC previously adopted policy requiring a 2/3 vote requirement when considering financial participation in a campaign supporting or opposing a ballot measure, but that language was not incorporated into the Constitution.

Motion and second to approved proposed changes to the CSAC Constitution. Motion carried with one 'No' vote.

13. APPOINTMENT OF CSCDA COMMISSIONER

The California Statewide Communities Development Authority (CSCDA) is governed by a seven-member Commission, four appointed by CSAC and three appointed by the League of California Cities. There is currently one vacancy on the commission. It was recommended that Ron Holly, Chief Deputy Auditor-Controller of Monterey County, be appointed to fill that vacancy. Mr. Holly is currently an alternate commissioner. It was further recommended that Sacramento County Executive Nav Gill be appointed to serve as alternate commissioner.

Motion and second to appoint Ron Holly and Nav Gill to the CSCDA Commission. Motion carried unanimously.

14. INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

All Board members were encouraged to attend the NACo annual conference in Long Beach in July, to show support for Supervisor Greg Cox who is running for NACo 2<sup>nd</sup> VP. New CSAC staff was introduced: Cara Watson, meeting planner and Elizabeth Marsolais, legislative analyst. The briefing materials contained reports on the Litigation Coordination Program, the Institute for Local Government (ILG), and a copy of the IRS Form 990.

Meeting adjourned.