

CALIFORNIA STATE ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
May 31, 2012
CSAC Conference Center, Sacramento

MINUTES

Presiding: Mike McGowan, President

1. ROLL CALL

Alameda	Keith Carson	Plumas	Jon Kennedy
Alpine	Terry Woodrow	Riverside	John Benoit
Amador	Louis Boitano	Sacramento	Susan Peters
Butte	Steve Lambert	San Benito	Margie Barrios
Calaveras	absent	San Bernardino	Gary Ovitt
Colusa	Kim Dolbow Vann	San Diego	Greg Cox
Contra Costa	Gioia/Glover	San Francisco	Eric Mar
Del Norte	David Finigan	San Joaquin	Larry Ruhstaller
El Dorado	Norma Santiago	San Luis Obispo	Bruce Gibson
Fresno	Henry Perea	San Mateo	Carole Groom
Glenn	John Viegas	Santa Barbara	Joni Gray
Humboldt	Mark Lovelace	Santa Clara	Liz Kniss
Imperial	Gary Wyatt	Santa Cruz	absent
Inyo	Susan Cash	Shasta	Glenn Hawes
Kern	absent	Sierra	Lee Adams
Kings	Doug Verboon	Siskiyou	Jim Cook
Lake	absent	Solano	Mike Reagan
Lassen	absent	Sonoma	Valerie Brown
Los Angeles	absent	Stanislaus	Vito Chiesa
Madera	absent	Sutter	absent
Marin	Susan Adams	Tehama	Robert Williams
Mariposa	absent	Trinity	Judy Pflueger
Mendocino	Carre Brown (audio)	Tulare	Steve Worthley
Merced	Hub Walsh	Tuolumne	Richard Pland
Modoc	Jeff Bullock	Ventura	Kathy Long
Mono	absent	Yolo	McGowan/Rexroad
Monterey	absent	Yuba	Roger Abe
Napa	Brad Wagenknecht		
Nevada	Ted Owens		
Orange	John Moorlach		
Placer	absent		

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of February 23, were approved as previously mailed.

3. GOVERNOR'S MAY REVISION OF 2012-13 STATE BUDGET

Governor Brown addressed the Board and discussed the current budget deficit as well as his revised ballot measure. He stressed the importance of ensuring the measure's passage in order to avoid severe trigger cuts that would occur.

Ana Matosantos, Director of the Department of Finance, noted that the budget deficit is currently \$15.7 billion and revenue projections are about \$4 billion lower than anticipated. She indicated that the federal deficit may also impact California's budget. A complete analysis of the May Revise was contained in the briefing materials.

4. PROPOSED CSAC BUDGET FOR FY 2012-13

Supervisor Terry Woodrow, CSAC Treasurer, presented the proposed CSAC budget for 2012-13 as contained in the briefing materials. She noted that the budget does not contain a dues increase, but does include increased personnel, communications and outside contracts costs, which are partially covered by budget reserves. In addition, revenue from the CSAC Finance Corp. decreased due to the loss of the pooled purchasing contract with Office Depot as well as decreases in revenue from Nationwide Retirement Solutions deferred compensation program. It was noted that the Corporate Associates budget reflects a clearer picture of actual revenues and costs, per the Board's request. The Corporate Associates program is in the process of a significant change to improve its financial stability.

Motion and second to approve the FY 2102-13 CSAC Budget as presented. Motion carried.

5. PROPOSED CSAC LITIGATION COORDINATION PROGRAM BUDGET FOR FY 2012-13

Jennifer Henning, County Counsel's Association Executive Director, presented the proposed Litigation Program Budget for FY 2012-13 as contained in the briefing materials. She indicated that the budget does not include a dues increase and that additional costs incurred this year were absorbed by a decrease in office space.

Motion and second to approve the Litigation Coordination Program Budget for FY 2012-13 as presented and recommend adoption by the CSAC Board of Directors. Motion carried unanimously.

6. CSAC POLICY COMMITTEE REPORTS

Administration of Justice. Supervisor Glover, chair of the CSAC Administration of Justice policy committee, presented a report from the meeting held earlier today. The committee heard information presentations on three resources available to help counties manage AB 109 risk and responsibilities: a catastrophic medical insurance program for jail inmates; the use of public community correctional facilities as a potential placement option; and potential capacity in existing alcohol and drug treatment programs in the community given that parolee services demands will drop over time. The committee also considered the Governor's revised November 2012 ballot initiative and is recommending a SUPPORT position. The Board of Directors will consider the initiative at the September meeting.

Agriculture & Natural Resources. Supervisor Vann, Vice-chair of the CSAC Agriculture & Natural Resources policy committee presented a report from the meeting held earlier today. Two items were brought forward for Board consideration. The first was a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the US Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management. (BLM). The purpose of the MOA is to help improve interagency relationships by facilitating early and frequent communication between the defined federal

agencies and counties to foster a more productive partnership that results in positive land management decisions for all parties.

Motion and second to approve the Memorandum of Agreement as presented. Motion carried (3 No votes).

The second action items was to recommend that CSAC become a member of the Agricultural Flood Management Alliance (AFMA), which is a coalition of local agencies, organizations, and individuals interested in protecting the long-term viability of agricultural communities, industries and operations located in the regulatory floodplain. The Alliance supports the mission of FEMA and the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) to identify and mitigate flood risk and protect life and property in all floodplain communities. However, the Alliance is concerned that the current approach under the NFIP places a disproportionately impactful economic burden on agricultural communities in the mapping of Special Flood Hazard Areas which imposes highly restrictive flood protection regulations and establishes burdensome flood insurance rates.

Motion and second to approve CSAC membership in the Agricultural Flood Management Alliance. Motion carried (1 No vote).

Government Finance & Operations. Supervisor Gibson, Chair of the CSAC Government Finance & Operations policy committee, presented a report from the meeting held earlier today. One item was brought forward for Board consideration which was to take a position on AB 1832 (Dickinson). The bill would prohibit a city or county from inquiring about criminal history on an initial employment application. The committee recommended that CSAC OPPOSE the bill.

Motion and second to OPPOSE AB 1831. Motion carried (11 No votes).

The committee also considered the Governor's revised November 2012 ballot initiative and is recommending a SUPPORT position. The Board of Directors will consider the initiative at the September meeting.

Health & Human Services. Supervisor Kniss, Chair of the CSAC Health & Human Services policy committee, presented a report from the meeting held earlier today. No action items were brought forward, but the committee did take a SUPPORT position on the Governor's revised ballot initiative.

The committee heard reports on Federal Health Reform Implementation, the May Revise, Care Coordination Initiative, and 2011 Realignment Implementation. The committee also decided to begin meeting quarterly – twice per year by phone and twice in person.

Housing, Land Use & Transportation. Supervisor Rexroad, Vice-chair of the CSAC Housing, Land Use & Transportation policy committee, presented a report from the meeting held earlier today. The committee voted to reaffirm existing CSAC policy on new transportation revenues, supporting flexible options for new transportation options in the future, but expressing clear concerns over a vehicle miles traveled fee.

At the November 2011 Board of Directors meeting a request was made to revisit CSAC's current position of support for the High-Speed Rail project. The committee heard from the California High Speed Rail Authority on the status of the project and revised business plan. Committee members raised concerns regarding how the Authority works with individual counties that will experience direct impacts from the Project and their overall ability to complete the project. The committee recommended that the Board of Directors approve the creation of a Task Force to explore, in more detail, the project and issues counties are facing.

Motion and second to approve the creation of a task force regarding High-Speed Rail. Motion carried.

7. CSAC FINANCE CORPORATION REPORT

Nancy Parrish reported that the Finance Corp. Board recently voted to move forward on three new programs. The first is *Healthstat* which operates onsite medical clinics for county employees. These clinics are free to employees and are intended to work in conjunction with existing medical coverage offered by the county. Santa Barbara County has had Healthstat clinics in place for two years and has seen a measurable improvement in employee health and provided employees with a \$184,000 savings in health insurance co-pays.

The second new program is *Extend Health* which is a Medi-care coordinator that works with public and private agencies to offer more affordable Medi-care coverage to retirees by administering individual plans through an HRA instead of the agency administering their own group plan. Mendocino County is currently using Extend Health.

The third program is *Trendline Health* which provides employee health care and workers' compensation prefunding utilizing a statistical and actuarial model to quantify costs over a three-year period. Utilizing this information, a county can turn a previously unpredictable, growing expense into a predictable fixed liability that creates savings by funding the net present value.

8. LEGISLATIVE REPORT

Staff reported that the deadline for bills to pass out of the house of origin is tomorrow so production of the CSAC Legislative Bulletin will be delayed until next week to ensure it is current.

9. INFORMATION REPORTS

The briefing materials contained reports on the Institute for Local Government, CCS Partnership, CSAC Institute for Excellence in County Government, Corporate Associates Program, and the CSAC Litigation Coordination Program. No presentations were made on these reports.

10. OTHER ITEMS

NACo President Lenny Eliason addressed the Board and encouraged members to serve on NACo steering committees. He also urged Board members to attend the NACo annual conference in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania in July.

Meeting adjourned.