CALIFORNIA STATE ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Thursday, May 28, 2015
Capitol Event Center, Sacramento

MINUTES

Presiding: Vito Chiesa, President

1. ROLL CALL
   Alameda    Keith Carson          Placer     Jim Holmes
   Alpine     Terry Woodrow         Plumas     Terry Swofford
   Amador     Forster/Boitano       Riverside  John Benoit
   Butte      Maureen Kirk          Sacramento Susan Peters
   Calaveras  absent               San Benito Margie Barrios (audio)
   Colusa     Kim Dolbow Vann      San Bernardino James Ramos
   Contra Costa John Gioia          San Diego  Greg Cox
   Del Norte  David Finigan        San Francisco            vacant
   El Dorado  Ron Mikulaco         San Joaquin
   Fresno     Henry Perea           San Luis Obispo
   Glenn      John Viegas           San Mateo
   Humboldt   Virginia Bass        Santa Barbara
   Imperial   Ray Castillo          Santa Clara
   Inyo       Jeff Griffiths       Santa Cruz
   Kern       Leticia Perez         Shasta
   Kings      Doug Verboon         Sierra
   Lake       Anthony Farrington   Siskiyou
   Lassen     absent               Solano
   Los Angeles absent               Sonoma
   Madera     absent               Stanislaus
   Marin      Damon Connolly       Sutter
   Mariposa   absent               Tehama
   Mendocino  Carre Brown          Trinity
   Merced     Hubert "Hub" Walsh    Tulare    Steve Worthley
   Modoc      Jim Wills             Tuolumne  Randy Harvelt
   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     absent
The presence of a quorum was noted.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3. CSAC CORPORATE PARTNER REMARKS
Jim Holobaugh and Kevin Bibbler from Alliant Insurance Services addressed the Board regarding the services they provide to counties. They indicated that their specialty is group insurance programs and they are able to leverage grouping counties together for better rates, etc. Recently, they developed a new program called the "Master Rolling Owner Controlled Insurance Program (MROICIP)," which provides a cost effective and efficient method of managing the liability and workers' compensation exposure associated with county construction projects.

Peter Rumble with California Clean Power discussed the "Community Choice" program, whereby cities and counties can partner with his company to implement their own customized local community choice aggregation (CCA) program. The benefit is that communities can locally control their energy needs, increase their use of renewable power, and bring electricity bill savings for residents and businesses.

4. GOVERNOR'S MAY REVISION OF THE 2015-16 STATE BUDGET
Michael Cohen, Director of Finance and Diane Cummins, Special Advisor to the Governor, outlined the Governor's May Revise. They indicated that the majority of state revenue will go towards school and rainy day fund obligations. However, the state budget contains additional money for repayment of pre-2004 state mandates, bringing the total to $765m.

5. CSAC REPORT ON GOVERNOR'S MAY REVISION
Staff noted that an analysis of the Governor's May Revision was previously sent to all counties. Some highlights include: $150m for Medi-Cal administration; $2.2b for drought-related programs; SB 678 incentive funding for offenders under mandatory supervision and post-release community supervision; an expansion of the Governor's amnesty program for court-ordered debt; and funding for PILT and county fairs.

It was noted that there is no specific funding proposal to address the significant needs facing transportation systems (local streets, roads and bridges) across California.

6. CSAC FINANCE CORPORATION REPORT
Nancy Parrish, Executive Director of the CSAC Finance Corporation, distributed handouts and outlined two new programs being offered through the CSAC Finance Corporation. OneExchange has two options, one for Medicare-eligible retirees and one for early retirees. The first option enables Medicare-eligible retirees to shop for the Medicare coverage that fits their needs and budget. Over 90 of the nation's health insurance carriers participate. The program for early retirees provides navigation, research and advisory services that help retirees find and enroll in individual insurance plans.

Ms. Parrish announced that she is leaving the CSAC Finance Corporation to pursue other opportunities.

7. CSAC POLICY COMMITTEE REPORTS
Housing, Land Use & Transportation. Staff provided a report from the policy committee meeting held earlier today. The committee received reports on affordable housing legislation, the Contra Costa Transportation Authority GoMentum Station, Tribal government issues, the Road User Charge Technical Advisory Committee, and Federal Transportation Reauthorization. No action items were brought forward to the Board of Directors for consideration.

Health & Human Services. Supervisor Ken Yeager, Chair of the CSAC Health & Human Services policy committee, provided a report from the meeting held earlier today. The committee received reports on California's group home system and services, and Medi-Cal waivers. No action items were brought forward to the Board of Directors for consideration.
Government Finance & Operations. Staff provided a report on the policy committee meeting held earlier today. The committee received updates on the State Budget, paid sick leave, Open Data implementation and options, and 2015 tax reform efforts. No action items were brought forward to the Board of Directors for consideration.

Agriculture, Environment & Natural Resources. Supervisor Diane Dillon, Chair of the CSAC Agriculture, Environment & natural Resources policy committee, presented a report from the meeting held earlier today. The committee received updates on the California drought, Groundwater Management Act implementation, and Sierra Nevada forests. No action items were brought forward for the Board of Directors for consideration.

Administration of Justice. Supervisor John Viegas, Chair of the CSAC Administration of Justice policy committee, presented a report from the meeting held yesterday. The committee received reports on local solutions for reducing the length of stay for “Incompetent to Stand Trial (IST), lowering county drug costs in the criminal justice system, trial court revenue distribution and a 2015-16 state budget and legislative update. No action items were brought forward to the Board of Directors for consideration.

8. PROPOSED CSAC BUDGET FOR FY 2015-16
Supervisor Judy Morris, CSAC Treasurer, presented the draft CSAC Budget for FY 2015-16, as contained in the briefing materials. She noted that the sale of CSAC’s Ransohoff Building allowed CSAC to establish a healthy reserve. Other revenue highlights include: estimated Finance Corporation contribution of $3.5m; Corporate Associates revenue projected to be $480,000; and increase in revenues from CSAC Institute of $43,000 due to further expansion into Merced County. The CSAC Executive Committee approved the draft budget at its April meeting and recommended adoption by the Board of Directors.

Motion and second to adopt proposed CSAC Budget for FY 2015-16. Motion carried unanimously.

9. COMMERCIAL SEXUAL EXPLOITATION OF CHILDREN RESOLUTION
Staff presented a draft resolution affirming CSAC’s commitment to preventing commercial sexual exploitation of children (CSEC) in California counties and to work with all county partners to identify, protect and serve these vulnerable youth. CSEC is a pressing national, state, and local issue. The FBI estimates that 100,000 children in the United States are sold for sex each year. Three of the top 13 highest trafficking areas in the national are located in California: San Francisco, Los Angeles, and the San Diego metropolitan areas. CSAC actively supported a state budget augmentation last year to earmark more than $20m in funding for local prevention, intervention and direct services for CSEC youth.

Staff requested that the Board of Directors adopt the resolution contained in the briefing materials and approve the distribution of a county-specific resolution to all 58 counties.

Motion and second to adopt the CSEC resolution and authorize staff to distribute a county-specific resolution for adoption by individual counties. Motion carried unanimously.

10. POVERTY WORKING GROUP PLATFORM LANGUAGE
Supervisor Kathy Long, Co-chair of the CSAC Poverty Working Group, presented draft language developed by the working group, which was tasked with examining issues related to poverty that are in play in California today and steer the Association toward supporting, developing, or promoting achievable solutions at the county level. It was noted that poverty has a large impact on some of California’s most vulnerable populations, including children. One-third of the 6 million impoverished Californians are children.

The CSAC Health & Human Services policy committee has approved the draft language and recommends adoption by the Board of Directors.
Motion and second to adopt poverty language and framework for inclusion in the CSAC County Platform. Motion carried unanimously.

11. CSAC STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE
Staff reported that CSAC’s strategic plan effort is underway. Based on prior discussions and guidance from the Board of Directors and Executive Committee, staff continues to develop a framework and timeline for the strategic plan. Staff is seeking additional Board input on the overarching purpose, goals and priorities of the association to inform the strategic plan and maximize the representation and education of counties and our strategic partners. Key pillars for the plan include: growing CSAC influence on federal and state policy priorities; enhanced communication to members, stakeholders, media and public; increased policy analysis and research on issues of importance to counties; focused education to provide critical tools and resources to counties through the CSAC Institute; and maintaining efficient internal operations of the association. Over the coming months, there will be continued discussions with the Board of Directors, Executive Committee and staff with a December 2015 target for completion.

12. MEDICAL MARIJUANA WORKING GROUP REPORT
Supervisors Lovelace and McPherson, Co-chairs of the CSAC Medical Marijuana Working Group, presented a report from the meeting held yesterday. The working group was established in 2010 for research and information sharing on this issue. CSAC’s website contains information from the working group. Yesterday’s meeting included updates on four bills currently being considered in the Legislature. The North Coast counties have created a Marijuana Policy Statement, which was developed during a regional summit that included the counties of Del Norte, Humboldt, Lake, Mendocino, Sonoma and Trinity. The policy statement was contained in the briefing materials.

13. INSTITUTE FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ILG) REPORT
Steve Sanders, Program Director for the Institute for Local Government (ILG), provided an update on ILG activities. In early April, ILG hosted a “Cap and Trade Symposium” where local leaders discussed how they can partner to achieve the Governor’s goals in communities throughout California. ILG has launched a survey on local government collaboration, which focuses on healthy eating/active living, safety and violence prevention, and to what extent local agencies approach the issues through collaboration or partnerships. On May 29, ILG will be hosting a joint leadership meeting for the officers of CSAC, League of California Cities, and the California Special Districts Association to share priorities and discuss current and emerging issues.

14. INFORMATION ITEMS
Dorothy Holzem was introduced as the newest CSAC staff member. She replaces Jean Hurst as the Revenue and Taxation legislative representative.

Reports on the CSAC Litigation Coordination Program, Corporate Partners and IRS Form 990 were contained in the briefing materials.

Meeting adjourned.