

CALIFORNIA STATE ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

January 16, 2014
CSAC Conference Center, Sacramento

MINUTES

Presiding: John Gioia, President

1. INTRODUCTION OF NEW EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS

President Gioia introduced new Executive Committee members for 2014. They are Virginia Bass from Humboldt, Ken Yeager from Santa Clara and Linda Seifert from Solano. The new county counsel advisor is James Fincher from Madera and the new CAOAC advisor is David Twa from Contra Costa.

2. ROLL CALL

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| John Gioia, President | Susan Adams, Marin |
| Vito Chiesa, 1 st Vice. Pres. | Bruce Gibson, San Luis Obispo |
| Richard Forster, 2 nd Vice. Pres. | Henry Perea, Fresno |
| David Finigan, Immed. Past Pres. | Virginia Bass, Humboldt |
| Federal Glover, Contra Costa | Robert Williams, Tehama |
| Kathy Long, Ventura (via audio) | Kim Dolbow Vann, Colusa, alternate |
| John Moorlach, Orange (via audio) | Advisors: David Twa & James Fincher |
| John Tavaglione, Riverside | |
| Ken Yeager, Santa Clara | |
| Keith Carson, Alameda, alternate | |

3. MINUTES OF OCTOBER 10-11, 2013

The minutes of October 10-11, 2013 were approved following the correction of two spelling errors.

4. REPORT ON GOVERNOR'S BUDGET FOR 2014-15

Michael Cohen, Director of CA Department of Finance, provided an overview of the Governor's proposed budget for FY 2014-15. This budget contains a surplus that the Governor proposes to use to repay the state's existing liabilities, including eliminating school deferrals, making a deposit to the state's Rainy Day Fund, paying off the Economic Recovery Bonds early, and investments in the state's infrastructure.

Diane Cummins, Special Advisor to the Governor, outlined the public safety portion of the Governor's budget. Among the key new initiatives and notable proposed policy changes are: an additional \$500m in state lease revenue bonds for local facility construction; a requirement that county felony jail sentences be "split", unless the court makes a finding that a straight sentence is more appropriate; a cap on long-term jail sentences; reduced fire camp rate; \$128m

in continued community correction program funding; an additional one-year appropriation to fund grants that support the work of local Community Correction Partnerships (CCPs); AB 109 allocation approach that supports local control and flexibility; updated growth estimates for 2011 realignment; and SB 105 stakeholder meetings to discuss mental health and substance use disorder treatment in the community and finding ways to incentivize use of split sentences, among other things.

5. DISCUSSION OF BUDGET IMPACTS ON COUNTIES

Staff outlined CSAC's response to the Governor's proposed budget as contained in the *Budget Action Bulletin* which was distributed to Board members. Staff noted that the proposed budget highlights a litany of existing risks to the state's delicate fiscal balance, including a modest economic recovery, federal fiscal challenges, the volatility associated with increased capital gains revenue, a court-ordered prison population cap, continuing litigation on redevelopment dissolution, the potential for health care inflation, the Wall of Debt and other long-term liabilities.

Staff also distributed a memo that details the Governor's proposal to pay down about \$11.8b of budget debts that the General fund has accrued during the past decade, also known as the "Wall of Debt".

6. APPOINTMENT OF CSAC TREASURER, NACo BOARD & WIR REPRESENTATIVES

The Executive Committee was asked to approve Officer recommendations for the following 2014 appointments:

CSAC Treasurer - Supervisor Kim Vann, Colusa County

NACo Board of Directors - Supervisors Keith Carson, Alameda County and Richard Forster, Amador County

NACo Western Interstate Region (WIR) Board - Supervisor David Finigan, Del Norte County. Supervisor Kevin Cann from Mariposa was appointed by RCRC to also serve on the WIR Board.

Motion and second to approve CSAC appointments as noted above.

Motion carried unanimously.

7. APPOINTMENT OF CSAC POLICY COMMITTEE CHAIRS AND VICE CHAIRS FOR 2014

The Executive Committee was asked to approve Officer recommendations for the following 2014 CSAC Policy Committee Chairs and Vice Chairs:

ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE

Federal Glover, Contra Costa, Chair

John Viegas, Glenn, Vice Chair

AGRICULTURE, ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Linda Seifert, Solano, Chair

Judy Morris, Trinity, Vice Chair

GOVERNMENT FINANCE & OPERATIONS

Bruce Gibson, San Luis Obispo, Chair

Bruce McPherson, Santa Cruz, Vice Chair

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Kathy Long, Ventura, Chair

Ken Yeager, Santa Clara, Vice Chair

HOUSING, LAND USE AND TRANSPORTATION

Phil Serna, Sacramento, Chair

Susan Adams, Marin, Vice Chair

Motion and second to approve 2014 CSAC Policy Committee chairs and vice-chairs as noted above. Motion carried unanimously.

8. SCA 3 BALLOT MEASURE

SCA 3 is a measure slated for the June 2014 ballot which would amend the California Constitution to enshrine provisions of both the California Public Records Act and the Brown Act within it and exclude from reimbursement those statutory changes to the Acts that constitute mandates. Details of the measure were contained in the briefing materials.

Supervisor Gibson, Chair of the CSAC Government Finance & Operations Policy Committee, presented this item for consideration. The CSAC Board of Directors previously considered the item at its November meeting and voted to refer it to the Executive Committee for a position.

The consensus of the Executive Committee was to take no position on SCA 3 and direct staff to issue a statement indicating that counties believe in transparency in government, but also list the consequences of SCA 3.

9. STATE AND FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES FOR 2014

Staff outlined the draft 2014 State and Federal Legislative Priorities, as contained in the briefing materials.

Motion and second to approve the draft 2014 CSAC State and Federal Legislative Priorities as presented and recommend adoption by the Board of Directors. Motion carried unanimously.

10. CSAC FINANCE CORP. REPORT & NOMINATION OF MEMBER TO FINANCE CORP. BOARD

Nancy Parrish, CSAC Finance Corp. Executive Director, announced two new programs being offered through the Finance Corp. They are: Medcor, which provides onsite health clinics for county employees; and ExtendHealth, which offers Medicare eligible retirees a wide array of health plans to choose from at

significantly lower costs than they currently pay to participate in county group plans.

It was requested that the Executive Committee nominate potential replacements for the position on the Finance Corporation Board recently vacated by Mike McGowan. The CSAC Officers recommended that Supervisors David Finigan and Richard Forster be considered by the Finance Corporation Board for the position.

Motion and second to nominate Supervisors Finigan and Forster for consideration by the Finance Corporation Board to fill the position vacated by Mike McGowan. Motion carried unanimously.

11. CSAC CORPORATE PARTNERSHIP UPDATE

Staff reported that exhibit hall revenues were above projections for the CSAC Annual Meeting held last November in San Jose. There were 72 exhibitors and the goal for 2014 is 100. Plans are underway for the Premier/Executive Partner forum in San Diego on February 5-6. The briefing materials contained a current list of corporate members.

12. OTHER ITEMS

Mike McGowan, the new Deputy Director for Strategic Planning at DMV, addressed the committee and indicated his first project will be implementing AB 60, the law that now allows for undocumented drivers to carry licenses.

Informational reports on the CSAC Litigation Coordination program and the CSAC Institute for Excellence in County Government were contained in the briefing materials.

Meeting adjourned.