



TACC Triple-A Council of California

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GENERAL MEETING MINUTES February 25 – 26, 2004 Department of Aging and AARP Office Sacramento, CA

I. Call to Order. The general meeting of the Triple A Council of California (TACC) was called to order by Vice Chair Ed Woods at 8:45 am, February 25, 2004.

II. Roll Call. A quorum was established. Those present:

PSA 1	Victoria Onstine	PSA 21	Barbara Affolter
PSA 2	Suzanne Rossi	PSA 23	Doris Payne
PSA 3	Mildred Johnstone, Alt	PSA 25	Edward Woods
PSA 6	Bill Hollabaugh	PSA 28	Richard Lundin
PSA 8	Helen Karr	PSA 30	Billie Taylor
PSA 9	Charles McLain	PSA 31	Joe Cox
PSA 10	Anne Mack	PSA 32	Nancy Dolton
PSA 12	Havard Staggs	PSA 33	Margaret Mooney
PSA 15	Leonard Smith		
PSA 18	Donald Hunt		
PSA 20	David Wilder		

Past President Roberta King (PSA 26)

Also Present: Alternate Mark Moran (PSA 21), Alternate Dick Southern (PSA 12)

Excused:

Absent: PSA 4, PSA 5, PSA 7, PSA 11, PSA 13, PSA 14, PSA 16, PSA 17, PSA 22, PSA 24, PSA 27, PSA 26, PSA 27, PSA 29, PSA 29

III. Motion to approve agenda: Nancy Dolton, Second: David Wilder. Unanimous.

IV. Motion to approve Minutes of November 20-21, 2003: Nancy Dolton, Second: Bill Hollabaugh. Approved by majority, abstentions: Leonard Smith, David Wilder, Havard Staggs.

V. Election of Vacant Officer Positions: Motion to move election to after lunch to allow for maximum participation: David wilder. Second: Margaret Mooney. Unanimous.

VI. Correspondence: Reviewed back correspondence collected from TACC mailbox in CCoA Office.

Motion to have TACC Chair send a letter to CCoA office requesting the correspondence be forwarded to the Secretary on a regular basis, and the Secretary to notify the Chair as correspondence received: David Wilder. Second: Bill Hollabaugh Unanimous

- VII. Financial Report by Joe Cox Treasurer: Financial report reviewed. Currently TACC has approximately \$47,618 remaining for this budget year. Motion to accept Treasurer's report as read: David Wilder. Second: Ann Mack Unanimous. Discussion on promoting Line 52 and resources remaining in TACC's Foundation account. TACC has 3 main funding sources: #1 Line 52; #2 Special Deposit Fund; #3 CA Foundation. TACC needs to start planning now for the 2004 tax year. TACC approved allocating \$10,000 from special deposit funds towards Line 52 promotion at last meeting. Motion to form an ad-hoc Sub-Committee for the 2004 tax year campaign: Nancy Dolton, Second: David Wilder. Committee members: Roberta King, Nancy Dolton, David Wilder. Background information given on California Foundation on Aging, a 501c3 vehicle to accept private contributions whose use is not confined to the requirements of the State General Fund
Roberta King reported on updating the Line 52 poster and sent it to the CCoA office. The Foundation has not met recently. Status of accounts still not clear. Motion with amendment to have TACC Chair send a letter to the California Foundation formally requesting the current funding status for TACC and what is the process of notification to TACC when donations made and receiving ongoing status reports, a copy to be sent to CCoA: David Wilder. Second: Roberta King Amendment: Nancy Dolton
- VIII. TACC Member Orientation/Education/Networking:
Information outline of the six forms of AAA's existing in California reviewed. Discussion on getting Council members involved, improving orientation:
a. Stress the understanding that all members will be asked to participate.
b. Develop a PowerPoint presentation to cover the "Who, What, Where, How" of AAA Councils and TACC. Use it annually for review and to stimulate conversation and discussion.
c. Put the presentation on the WEB, can be done at home and with local councils. Subcommittee to explore PowerPoint presentation and report back at May meeting: Helen Karr, David Wilder, Nancy Dolton, Bill Hollabaugh
- IX. Reports from Planning and Service Areas: PSA 1, PSA 2, PSA 3, PSA 6, PSA 9, PSA 10, PSA 12, PSA 15, PSA 18, PSA, PSA 20, PSA 21, PSA 23, PSA 25, PSA 26, PSA 28, PSA 30, PSA 31, PSA 32, PSA 33

12:00 pm Recessed for Lunch.

- X. Ray Mastalish, Executive Director, California Commission on Aging (CcoA), Report:
Financial report for 2003 reviewed. TACC is low on travel expenditures, partially due to the individual PSA's ability to support individual members' expenses. Current balance in CA Foundation: Private Contributions - \$1021.00 Jack Horak Fund - \$1414.00

Budget for 2003-04 reviewed. Initial budget included the \$38,000 rollover in the projected travel line item, however, the California Department of Finance (DoF) informed CCoA that after review it determined the TACC budget did not demonstrate sufficient justification for the increase. TACC will need to outline specific projects next year to access these funds.

- X. Ray Mastalish, Executive Director, California Commission on Aging (CcoA), Report cont:
 Proposed FY '04-'05 state budget adjustments- Block grants and 5% funding reductions. Some effects may include: Program categories blurred; the AAA Council's advocacy role will be increasingly important. Some AAA may see more than 5% cut due to funding allocations. There is a noted trend to refer to all of the 5% funds as "overmatch" (inaccurate) which makes it easy to cut this "not-needed overmatch".
 (See TACC discussion and action, Pg. 5, Item XX)
- CCoA/CSL Reorganization – A spot bill AB 1994 was filed by P. Berg regarding the relationship between CCoA and CSL. Spot bills have no specific language regarding changes, but reserves a spot on the legislative docket for future development.
 (See TACC discussion Pg. 5, Item XXI)
- Changes in Sacramento: Many changes in personnel occurring. CCoA is considering their effectiveness as advocates. CCoA historically saw TACC as one of their communication links to their communities and wonders if TACC sees itself at that level?
- TACC Manual: Current manual may be outdated. Roberta King volunteered to compare the CCoA office copy with the most recently updated one. Any TACC member needing a new manual is to notify the Secretary.
- TACC Membership changes: Reminder that bylaws state it is the individual AAA's responsibility to notify CCoA of changes to CSL and TACC memberships. TACC will also cc the TACC webmaster.
- CSL Elections: Reminder of the change in timelines. Elections moved up to allow for more effective new member orientations.
- Oral Health Presentation follow up: March 18 general meeting (discussed at last meeting) now scheduled at the Vizcaya Hotel in Sacramento. Focus is background on Special Needs project, and how it could fit in with LRSPA. Follow-up meeting scheduled for April 22 in San Francisco to focus on forming the statewide task force. All AAA's strongly encouraged to get involved.
- XI. Older Adult Traffic & Safety Task Force Report by Roberta King PSA 26:
 Two programs developed- "The Road to Driving Wellness", a web-based training program will be available in April (www.asaaging.org/cdc), and The Tool Kit, a print publication/video may be ready in late summer. A workbook, "Exercises for Keeping the Keys Longer" is being updated. Additional presentation by John Carr, Public Information Officer, Dept. of Aging-DMV designated staff to work on specific driver safety information. TACC invited to review a soft roll-out of the information on the DMV web site. Go to dmv.ca.gov, look for a featured link titled "Senior Driver Information". Send your input to jcarr@aging.ca.gov A list of senior driver programs in USA is available at: www.nhtsa.dot.gov/people/injury/olddrive/LawEnforcementOlderDriver03/index.htm

- XII. Election of Vacant Officer Position: Nominating Committee Report by Richard Lundin
 Due to the timing of events, the Nominating Committee's actions and recommendations did not meet regulatory guidelines. Therefore nominations must come from the floor.
 Nominations opened to the floor for Chairperson:
 Joe Cox nominated by Richard Lundin
 Bill Hollabaugh nominated by Nancy Dolton.
- Nominations opened to the floor for Treasurer contingent upon Joe Cox, the current Treasurer, being elected Chair:
 Billie Taylor nominated by Richard Lundin.
- After statements made by each candidate for Chair, Bill Hollabaugh elected by simple majority on the second ballot.
- XIII. Bylaws Review - After discussion, consensus reached that there is no specific need to update the bylaws at this time.
- XIV. Dept of Aging Restructure –
 May be some restructuring to decrease duplication, save money, and promote communication. If a major restructure coming it won't be soon. Revitalizing the Coalition for Coordinated Advocacy may be the vehicle to focus one voice. Advisory Councils need to stay current on the issues and poised to advocate.
- XV. TACC Committee Structure and integrating SB910, (LRSPA) –
 Discussion of TACC's opportunity to learn and participate in the LRSPA focus areas.
 Review of TACC's Committee to Study the LRSPA established at the last meeting:
 David Wilder, Mildred Johnstone, Havard Staggs, Bill Hollabaugh.
 Exploration of appointing a representative to the four CCoA LRSPA standing committees which are in the process of being formed.
- Review of standing TACC Committees: Executive, Nominating, Legislation.
 Decision to incorporate the focus of the previous Health, Transportation, and Housing committees into a new committee format tied into the LRSPA focus areas. Will integrate TACC committees into CCoA committees, thus providing liaison and coordination of efforts.

TACC Committees for 2004-2005:

Legislation Committee – Continue as standing committee

Chair: Havard Staggs, Joe Cox, Ed Woods, David Wilder, Anne Mack, Helen Karr

SB910 LRSPA Monitoring Update Committee – Ongoing monitoring and annual updates

Chair: Don Hunt, David Wilder, Mildred Johnstone, Havard Staggs, Bill Hollabaugh

Older California Act Implementation Committee – Develop strategies to implement monitoring and report progress of the State plan on aging.

Chair: Roberta King, David Wilder, Charles McClain, Joe Cox, Leonard Smith

White House Conference on Aging Committee – Identify issues for delegates.

Chair to be decided, Ed Woods, Richard Lundin, Suzanne Rosso, Don Hunt, Victoria Onstine

Thursday, February 26, 2004 Meeting reconvened by Chair Bill Hollabaugh at 8:31 am.

- XVI. Bylaws: Review of Statement of Purposes – Bill Hollabaugh
TACC Bylaws state three basic purposes:
- a. Educate – How else can we become aware of the individual diversity and availability of resources in the different PSA's of the state?
 - b. Advocate – Before we can have effective advocacy we need effective people on the Councils who can see the larger picture and put their own needs in perspective with the needs of the whole.
 - c. Strengthen – Integrated advocacy can provide an effective voice for California without losing the individual PSA's identity.
- XVII. TACC Member Attendance and Involvement – Need to encourage participation.
C4A leader strongly supports TACC as a priority for each AAA.
Subcommittee: Don Hunt and Helen Karr to survey each PSA on what the barriers are to regular participation.
- XVIII. TACC Communication – Consensus reached on the following:
Standardized report formats
Timely meeting summary report for members
Timely minutes
- XIX. Expense Forms – A new memo for the State rate was issued in January.
Will put copy of expense form on website and in updated manual.
- XX. Unfinished Business:
Motion made to add State Budget Block Grant proposal to the agenda as an urgency item.
Moved: David Wilder. Second: Harvard Staggs. Unanimous
Discussion on Governor's budget proposal changing categorical funding to a block grant.
Motion to write a letter to Governor Schwarzenegger taking a strong position objecting to the Block Grant proposal: David Wilder. Second: Charles McClain. Unanimous with cc to:
Secretary Belsh'e of the Department of Health and Human Services
CDA Director Lynda Terry
California Commission on Aging
Senator Vasconcellos, chair of the Senate Long Term Care Committee
Representative Nunez, Chair of House Long Term Care Committee
AAA Advisory Councils
Representative Berg, Chair of the Assembly Committee on Aging and Long Term Care
Senator Burton, Senate President Pro-Tem
State Director of Finance
Ron Arreya, Chair of C4A
- XXI. CSL Joint Rules Committee Report – Ed Woods
JCR is working on a proposal for formal separation from CCoA, and is forming a 5-member committee, with 2 from the general CSL membership. Will keep TACC apprised as things progress.
Discussion re: TACC support of CSL as a whole and the importance of CSL members' participation, and support of direct and increased communication links between CSL, CCoA, and TACC.

XXII. Presentation on C4A position re: Budget Proposal. – Derrell Kelch
 Discussion of the three budget proposal components affecting aging services:

- 5% reduction: Disagree with cuts in services, but due to state budget concerns, will go along with it.
- Block Grant: Proposal is not a “true” block grant. 60% of funds will be restricted from true flexibility. C4A is asking for 12-15 months to play out what it might look like and what the true effect will be. Are willing to talk about it. This component may make eliminating the CDA and make eroding funds easier. It is more difficult to re-inflate budgets in better times.
- Rewrite OCA: Proposal would eliminate Chapter 7.5 that lays out categorical programs. C4A believes this chapter is the foundation for the community based services delivery system. This chapter is a promise to providers that this will be the system used. C4A strongly opposes this component.

Next Meeting: C4A Conference, May 5-7, 2004 in Concord.

Meeting Adjourned at 12:15 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Victoria Onstine, Recording Secretary