



TACC Triple-A Council of California

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GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

1600 K Street, Sacramento CA (Conference Rooms A&B)

September 22-23, 2004

- I. Call to Order: The general meeting of the Triple A Council of California (TACC) was called to order by President William Hollabaugh at 8:30 am, September 22, 2004
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Roll Call: A Quorum was established, those present were:

✓	PSA 1	Victoria Onstine	✓	PSA 18	Donald Hunt
✓	PSA 2	Ron Steves	✓	PSA 19	Patricia Wilson
✓	PSA 3	Gail Locke	✓	PSA 20	David Wilder
✓	PSA 4	Don Mabon	✓	PSA 21	Barbara Affolter
	PSA 5	Joanne Weber	✓	PSA 22	Jim Levy, Alt.
✓	PSA 6	Bill Hollabaugh, Alt.	✓	PSA 23	Doris Payne
✓	PSA 7	Gerald Sharrock		PSA 24	Pat Dorsey
✓	PSA 8	Arlene Elliott		PSA 25	Ed Woods
	PSA 9	Charles McLain		PSA 26	Marilyn Johnson
✓	PSA 10	Anne Mack	✓	PSA 26	Past President Roberta King
	PSA 11	Dean Morris		PSA 27	Bob Marshall
✓	PSA 12	Havard Staggs	✓	PSA 28	Richard Lundin
✓	PSA 13	Bud Winslow		PSA 29	Earl Tice
	PSA 14		✓	PSA 30	Mary Van Loon, Alt.
✓	PSA 15	Lonnie Tealer	✓	PSA 31	Joe Cox
	PSA 16	Irwin Heit	✓	PSA 32	Nancy Dolton
	PSA 17	Patricia Gammel	✓	PSA 33	Margaret Mooney

IV. Introductions, Announcements

Also present were: Jerry Smith, Alt. PSA 2; and Leonard Smith, Alt. PSA 15. A letter from PSA 22 was presented appointing Jim Levy as official alternate for this meeting. Ron Steves was introduced as the new Advisory Council President for PSA 2. Members present were requested to review the current roster dated 9/20 and give updates. E. Committee will be meeting on Thursday, September 23 to plan the January TACC meeting. All members encouraged to give any ideas for topics to the E. Committee. CCoA Forum on LRSPA Task Team reports will be held Feb 15 & 16, 2005 in Sacramento, location TBA. There is a tentatively planned all day "Mobility/Transportation/Housing Summit" for February 14.

- V. Agenda: Motion to move the LRSPA Committee meeting report to after the Finance Report (Hunt). Agenda approved by consensus with that amendment.
- VI. Motion to Approve Minutes of July 28, 2004: Dolton/Staggs Approved with one abstention (PSA 2).
- VII. Correspondence: None presented at this time.
- VIII. Financial Report: Joe Cox Treasurer
Written financial report reviewed. Contributions were \$58041 last year, \$54359 to date for this year. September and October's have not come in yet. Continue to need to advertise the Tax contribution line item.
PLAN: Subcommittee to update flyer; Bill Hollabaugh chair, Roberta King, Jerry Smith.
Motion to budget up to \$3000 for subcommittee's use in updating Tax Line flyer, amended to include authorizing the Executive Committee to approve the final product.
Winslow/Cox/Wilder Unanimous
2004-2005 Budget not created yet. Will be working with CCoA staff.
- IX. SB910 LRSPA Monitoring Update Committee Report: Don Hunt, Chair
CCoA LRSPA Task Teams formed, chairs assigned, meetings are posted on the Web site, and are being held, some by teleconference. TACC goal is for each PSA to connect to at least one Task Team and participate. TT Reports are due by Dec. 15, and will be forwarded to the Legislature via a Forum to be held in February 2005
Committee Recommendation: Compile list of PSA Task Team participants, Chair Don Hunt to verify list, and forward list to CCoA Task Teams.
Motion to accept recommendation: Wilder/Cox Unanimous
Discussion re: role of TACC on Task Teams. Overall TT focus is on statewide efforts, TACC focus is to bring grass roots needs and input into the planning. TT leader will send the contacts an agenda with the time of the TT Conference Call and/or face-to-face meeting. TT discussion revolves around what has happened since the last call. What are the new issues (some are on the agenda, others will be brought up during the call/meeting), meeting concludes with planning next steps.
If the TT has already met, TACC contact is to get copy of minutes.
- X. Sandi Fitzpatrick, Executive Director, CCoA – Report
Sandra Fitzpatrick, former Executive Director of A1AA, welcomed. Sandi gave a brief outline of her background and commitment to services, and then gave a summary of the current areas she is working on. Issues affecting TACC include Budget development for the current year (a draft is expected soon), Ohmstead Plan, CCoA Task Teams, and the California Performance Review recommendations
Department and CCoA Personnel news: Dept. of Aging E. Director Lynda Terry has resigned. The new director will bring different views and philosophy, which will bring changes to how the office works, will need to be responded to.
California Performance Review – Recommends eliminating CCoA. If this happens, the question will be what mechanism will be in place to allow senior and disabled input?
Ohmstead Advisory Committee – October 1 is the deadline to get involved.
Assemblyperson L. Daucher is chairing a subcommittee looking at actual implementation.

XI. Coalition for Coordinated Advocacy Meeting – Bill Hollabaugh presented a summary of the Coalition’s discussion and the CPR legislative process/timeline.

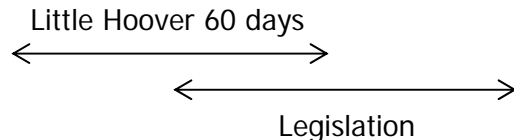
The CPR resulted in a 2500 page document, which went to the CPR Commission for reading and public hearings.

CCoA plan: 1. Personally contact CPR members individually
2. Testify at public hearings.

Pat Wilson, Bill Hollabaugh, and Nancy Dolton attended public hearings and found that the CPR Commission had their own prioritization for speakers and topics. The revised plan is to develop relationships with members and have them come to CCoA meetings. The CPR Commission has the authority to make recommendations for change. Changes can be decided and effected by:

- The Governor by executive order or submitting a legislative packet.
- The Legislature by creating and passing bills.
- The public by the ballot process.

After the Governor does his review and creates his legislative proposal, the proposal goes to the Little Hoover Commission who will have 60 days to review it.



Workgroups are studying portions, such as Sen. Belshea’s disability services workgroup. The Coalition’s consensus is the Governor’s Legislative Proposal is too large to be passed all at once due to too many complex issues; the proposed timeline likely won’t happen. How can TACC or the public have an effect?

Read the CPR, give feedback, keep asking questions as a group and individually.

Example: David Wilder noted the proposed change moving the ILC’s to another department violated federal law. He brought that to their attention, it will be taken out.

Work with the local councils. Keep the CPR on the agenda and keep informed.

Work with the Coalition for Coordinated Advocacy.

Write letters to the CPR Commission and Secretary of Health & Human Services.

The Coalition has created a set of “Guiding Principles” for advocacy.

PLAN: TACC to discuss the “Guiding Principles” for adoption as a strategy framework during LRSPA Committee.

XII. Panel presentation with Q&A presented by Peter Anderson (California Assembly Policy Consultant), Allison Ruff (Principal Consultant to the Assembly Committee on Aging and LTC), and Mary Bellamy (Consultant to the Aging and LTC Human Services Committee).

Highlights include:

- CPR did not get rid of current “silos”, just re-arranged the boxes. Berg’s recommendation is to put all Aging and LTC services in one agency. CPR’s recommendations give the disabled its own part (a good thing), but aging would be folded into other services and can get “lost”.
- When “short on cash” there are two options. Cut programs or consolidate. Consolidating services seems preferable as no one wants to cut, but “losing” oneself in the mix will also lose services.
- If the Governor does not get his desired result, he has said he will take it to the ballot.
- Medical Redesign report was scheduled for August 1, has been delayed to January due to the election. When it comes out – examine it for “your pieces.”

Panel Presentation Continued:

- Timelines for CPR and MediCal will likely take 1-2 years and may be on the '06 ballot. There may be some changes in the constitution. Others will come through legislation.
- Rationale for eliminating the CCoA: More efficient use of funds by absorbing the CCoA functions into other state agencies. The Older American's Act does require an advisory body, but it doesn't specify how that role must be filled.
- How much money can be saved? In the reorganization plan no costs are attached to any specific program. Effect on employees? Not sure CPR looked at that aspect in depth. Some states who have reorganized have been able to make a successful transfer (ex: Oregon, which was a much smaller scale than California). Would probably take an number of years with employees scaled back through attrition.
- Directions for advocacy:
Decide what you want for basic requirements, then compare the different plans
Prioritize the existing programs and services to advocate during budget cuts.
- Universal Primary Advice – Have One Voice

XIII. Older Adult Traffic & Safety Task Force Report by Roberta King PSA 26

Task Force has not met since the last TACC meeting.

Discussion re: Walkability Subcommittee's project to evaluate walkable communities. Barb Albertson from Senior Injury Prevention is chair. David Wilder will send information to R. King.

Wednesday, Oct 13, Nevada County will present the Traffic Safety Program.

XIV. TACC Member Orientation Ad Hoc Committee – D Wilder, N Dolton, B Hollabaugh

Committee presented Power Point Presentation draft for TACC review and suggestions.

Next Steps: Create a "script" for standardized presentations.

Present at C4A Conference as a workshop session

XV. California Senior Legislature Report – Jim Levy

AB 1994 is signed separating CSL and CCoA. Finalized separation plan is due May 2005, and must find a sponsoring organization by July 2006.

JRC meets Oct. 5 & 6. Plan on presenting a United Stand Statement for consideration.

Annual Session is Oct 18 – 21.

CSL has selected 10 top State & 4 top Federal proposals. (SCL requests the State Legislature make a resolution to the Federal Legislature on federal proposals.)

XVI. California Commission on Aging Report – Nancy Dolton

Deferred at this time as issues have been covered in other discussions.

XVII. Committee Reports

White House Conference on Aging Committee – Chair: Bill Hollabaugh

Has not formally met yet. The Federal Policy Committee is working on the Conference preparation. CCoA was notified the intent is to hold "listening sessions" with the first one tentatively scheduled for Palm Springs in November. Three identified categories developing: Social Support, Economics, Health

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If CCoA is selected to assume responsibility for delegate selection, will need to know soon as fundraising is critical. Last WHConA effort cost \$5000

Legislation Committee – Chair: Havard Staggs

Statute Change re: Bringing TACC Representation bylaws in alignment with State Statute
Major presenting concern is that while the current system is considered “reasonable” under CCoA, future state structure changes could shift the sponsoring responsibility and a new administration may view TACC adherence to state statute differently.

Motion to accept proposed statute change with one typographical amendment –
Line four, “comprised of one” Staggs/Mack Unanimous

Discussion re: does the proposed Statute need legal review to strengthen our position –
While this proposal would go through legislative review irregardless of our process, it would show TACC “did their homework”.

Legislation Committee recommendation: Take proposal to Allison Ruff-A. Member Berg’s office, ask them to submit to legislature with a cover letter from TACC.

Discussion re: SB 1149 – Importation of prescription drugs from Canada. Three days before the close of legislative session, Gov. Schwarzenegger indicated he wanted to veto all drug importation bills in favor of SB 1149. Concerns include:

1. The income means test would be handled by the local pharmacist.
2. Not all pharmacists are 100% in favor.
3. The Department of HHS would be the negotiating arm with the Pharmacy Board in setting up the eligibility criteria.

CCoA’s position: favoring importation from Canada. The Health Services TT will follow this issue.

SB910 LRSPA Monitoring Update Committee – Chair: Don Hunt

Task Team List - 12 PSA’s have elected to take the assignment back to their PSA’s, 5 PSA’s have chosen TT’s.

Review of CPR Guiding Principles draft for TACC- Recommend keep overall wording, substituting TACC for CCA.

Motion – TACC to Adopt the Guiding Principles for CPR Report Advocacy
King/Smith Unanimous

Motion to write letter to Daryl Kelch, CCoA Executive Director and principle author of the CCA Guiding Principles, thanking him for his work and notifying him of TACC adoption, with copy to CCoA. Approved by consensus.

Next Steps:

- Notify PSA’s not attending by website, minutes
- Take the Guiding Principles back to PSA’s for local Council adoption, use in local organizations.
- Send copy to the CPR Commission, the Dept. of Human Services, the Hoover Commission
- Request AAA Directors’ endorsement and list of potential addresses for copies
- Nancy Dolton to send copy with letter to First Lady Maria Shriver with focus on volunteerism of Family.

Older California Act Implementation Committee – Chair: Roberta King

Roberta King requests all PSA’s send a copy of their Area Plan Executive Summary to her by 10/10/04. The common elements will be listed for use of the OCA Subcommittee.

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XVIII. Reports From Planning and Service Areas (PSA's)

Verbal and written reports submitted. Discussion of Criteria and Process:

- Process: Use e-mail whenever possible, to Sharon Jenkins, in CCoA Office sjenkins@cco.ca.gov This will facilitate getting the reports available timely. If e-mail is not possible, send written reports the week before. Sharon will transcribe the reports into electronic format for universal access and have copies available for the meeting.
- Content – Include what hints or information you want others to know, and what accomplishments you want to share. Details of daily operations are not necessary.
- Oral Report – Highlight specific items, provides opportunity for member questions

XIX. Oral Health Task Force Update Presentation by Dr. Paul Glassman, Assistant Dean, University of Pacific, School of Dentistry:

The first Oral Health meeting resulted in forming a LRSPA Task Team. Next meeting set for November in Sacramento. Continuing to develop a case management Community Based Demonstration Project model involving the AAA's, and use of Alternative Practice Hygienist. There are now 60 certified AP Hygienists in the state.

XX. Public Comments

Legislative committee requested to look at bills passed that affect seniors for the November meeting.

11:30 Motion to adjourn Mack/Sharrock Unanimous

Respectfully Submitted,

Victoria Onstine
Recording Secretary

**Next Meetings: November 17-19, 2004 Newport Beach
 January 26-27, 2005 Sacramento**