



# TACC Triple-A Council of California

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## GENERAL MEETING MINUTES C4A Conference, Newport Beach CA November 17, 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 8:35 am, November 17, 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- excused   | ✓ | 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 | Tom Murray                  |
| ✓ | PSA 6  | Bill Hollabaugh, Alt. | ✓ | PSA 23 | Jack Duff, Alt.             |
|   | 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 | Marlo June            | ✓ | PSA 30 | Mary Van Loon               |
| ✓ | PSA 15 | Lonnie Tealer         | ✓ | PSA 31 | Joe Cox                     |
|   | PSA 16 | Irwin Heit            | ✓ | PSA 32 | Nancy Dolton                |
| ✓ | PSA 17 | Colleen McLean        | ✓ | PSA 33 | Margaret Mooney             |

- IV. Introductions, Announcements:  
Also present were: Dick Southern, Alt. PSA 12, Leonard Smith, Alt. PSA 15, and Barbara Gardiner, Alt. PSA 33. In addition, there were two guests: Bob McLean, husband of Colleen McLean, Director, from PSA 17; and Ron Errea, President of C4A. Bill Hollabaugh introduced Ron Errea who welcomed the TACC group to the Allied Conference. There were no further announcements.
- V. Motion to approve the Agenda: Dolton/Wilder Unanimous.
- VI. Motion to Approve Minutes of September 22-23, 2004: Approved with one correction: Change "Pat Wilkins" to Pat Wilson Wilder/Winslow Unanimous

VII. Correspondence: None presented at this time.

VIII. Financial Report and 2004-2005 Budget Review– Joe Cox Treasurer

As of 9/30/04, TACC had \$58,440.55 in unencumbered funds and that, with a couple of minor exceptions, expenditures to date were expected to be within budget when the budget was finalized. Nancy Dolton asked how the 04-05 budget compared to the 03-04 budget and Joe Cox replied that it was impossible to compare the two at any level of detail because of a new budget format adopted this year. It was noted that TACC was in a good financial position and that there would be a significant carryover into the current fiscal year. Further discussion and report on the 2004-2005 Budget postponed until CCoA report.

Motion to accept the Treasurer's report. Mack/Winslow Unanimous.

Nancy Dolton asked if anyone knew how secure our "line item check-off" on the Board of Equalization tax return form was. Bill Hollabaugh noted that it could not be 100% due to the estimated administration cost relative to the approximately \$50K benefit.

Motion to form a "what if" sub-committee to explore financing alternatives in the event that the line item option was removed. Dolton/Wilder Unanimous.

Bill Hollabaugh appointed Joe Cox, Nancy Dolton and David Wilder to this committee and they agreed to provide an interim report at the January meeting.

There was discussion of the program, previously agreed at the September meeting, to generate publicity for the line item check-off during the 2004 tax preparation season.

It was noted that the flyer needed to be completed and distributed no later than December 2004.

IX. Review of Conference Agenda and TACC Workshop Session

Bill Hollabaugh reviewed the Allied Conference Agenda and the TACC workshop session. Bill suggested that the "Master Plan on Aging," "A Day in the Life of Adult Protective Services," "IHSS Quality Assurance Initiative," and "Overview of Area Plan Requirements for 2005-2009" appeared to be sessions that were of particular interest to TACC members.

X. Sandi Fitzpatrick, Executive Director, CCoA Report

Bill Hollabaugh announced that the airline flight of Sandi Fitzpatrick, CCoA Executive Director, had been delayed by weather and that we would come back to her report upon her arrival.

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

Roberta King, PSA 26, reported that the Committee on the Safe Mobility of Older Persons had a web site: [www.eyes.uab.edu/safemobility](http://www.eyes.uab.edu/safemobility) and could be contacted by email at: [safemobility@uab.edu](mailto:safemobility@uab.edu).

David Wilder reported that the Walkability Subcommittee had a conference call scheduled for 11/22 from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. to discuss walkable communities.

XII. California Senior Legislature Report – Ed Woods

In Ed Woods' absence, Bill Hollabaugh reported that the October CSL session had gone smoothly and that the full text of all 25 proposals was now available on the CSL website. He also reported that newly elected officers included:

Joint Rules Committee: Joe Murphy, Chair  
Helen Karr, Mary Dennison, Vice Chairs

Legislative Committee: Jerry Smith, Chair  
Anne Mack, Ric Rickles, Vice Chairs

Nancy Dolton noted that the 2005 CSL session would be the week before the White House Conference on Aging and would place an administrative strain on the CCoA staff. Discussion ensued of the relationship between Advisory Councils and CSL. It was noted that there was a wide variety of relationships with some Councils specifically including CSL members from their PSA while some Councils specifically exclude them.

XIII. California Commission on Aging Report – Nancy Dolton

Planning for the 2005 White House Conference on Aging was becoming very exciting. Still in the planning stage is an invitational two-day meeting/forum, probably in March in conjunction with the Mobility Summit, to include all state agencies that deal with senior issues. This forum will focus on problems and potential solutions in preparation for the White House Conference. On 12/1/04 the Federal Policy Committee of the 2005 White House Conference will meet to finalize the process for the selection of delegates to the Conference. The White House Conference has created a website, [www.whcoa.gov](http://www.whcoa.gov), which contains extensive Conference information.

The CCoA will be active in the review of the Area Plan during this planning cycle, as well as follow-up during the course of the plan period.

Barbara Affolter reported that Ray Mastalish would serve as a director of the California Foundation on Aging, the 501(c)3 funded by private donations only.

XIV. Committee Reports

Legislation Committee – Chair: Havard Staggs

Due to the time constraints of the Allied Conference and the absence of pending legislation with the legislature not in session, there would not be a Leg Committee meeting. The next meeting will be in conjunction with the January 26-27, 2005 TACC meeting.

SB910 LRSPA Monitoring Update Committee - Chair: Don Hunt

Don Hunt distributed summary sheets that indicated the TACC participation, by PSA, on LRSPA task teams. He requested that those PSAs which had not signed up let him know their choice(s) as soon as possible.

Older California Act Implementation Committee – Chair: Roberta King

Roberta King repeated her request from the September meeting that Directors forward to her the summary sheets of their latest Area Plan updates. She also noted that it was particularly important to forward the same information for the next plan period, but realized that this process was just beginning.

White House Conference on Aging Committee – Chair: Bill Hollabaugh

Bill Hollabaugh reported that the committee has not met yet and thanked Nancy Dolton for all of the information that she had provided in her report.

X. CCoA Executive Director's Report - Sandi Fitzpatrick

Sandi Fitzpatrick introduced two guests from CDA, Dianne Paulson and Dale Kuroda.

The following is a summary of Sandi Fitzpatrick's remarks on changes – real and potential- that the aging network may face in the coming year:

Federal Level –

- The re-election of President Bush and his call to “overhaul” social security.
- The rollout of Part D-Medicare in 2005. Be alert to changes this might have on older people's ability to afford their medications.
- The White House Conference on Aging (WHCoA) scheduled for October.
- The Older Americans Act (OOA) scheduled for reauthorization this year. The reauthorization calls for a new section and appropriation to help communities plan for the baby boomers.

State Level –

- Governor Swarzenegger's call to “blow up boxes” resulting in the California Performance Review. As initially presented, the CPR eliminated the CDA and proposed the elimination of the CCoA. After a series of public hearings around the state, the CPR Commission released a subsequent report that recommends postponing any changes to the structure of health and human services. It won't be known until early January how the governor responds to the recommendations.
- Assembly member Patty Berg has release the first two parts of her three-part Master Plan on Aging, which offers an alternative structure for aging and long-term care services in the state.
- The governor has released an executive order calling for efforts to implement the Olmstead Decision. Look for state activities and legislation to help California respond through innovative diversion/transition programs and assessment standards.

Local Level –

- Demographics will impact resource allocation. Accentuate your planning efforts with an eye towards boomers and alternative service design. Service current constituents but anticipate the audience of the future.
- Maintain client-centered services. Nothing is more important in defining an agency's worth than the way you respond to each other internally and to the constituents you are charged to serve.
- Seize the state and national momentum. Olmstead, WHCoA and integrated advocacy coalitions can guide you to more efficient use of resources and better service enhancements. Look forward for the next trend.
- Expect funding fluctuations. California's economy is not out of the woods.
- Uncertainty can breed opportunities. Know your vision and evaluate it often. Stay true to your values and keep your eyes open for those opportunities that surely will be there in a changing environment.

CCoA Executive Director's Report continued:

Sandi reported that the 24<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of CSL had been successful and that progress was being made on the transition of CSL as an entity separate from CCoA, including the identification of new office space for CSL in the Senate offices building. She noted that the creation of an administrative infrastructure for CSL would be a challenge relative to their current budget.

Sandi reported that CALTRANS had obtained a federal grant sufficient to fund the Mobility Summit and that the January CCoA meeting would be held in Chico and would give the Commission the opportunity to see the unique organization of PSA 3.

Dale Kuroda passed out a TACC year-end financial report for 2003/2004 and a YTD report for 2004/2005 as of 10/31/04, both in the new budgeting and reporting format, and discussed both the numbers and the format. Several suggestions were made by Directors to alter the format to make it easier to understand by non-financial readers.

He noted that the 2003/2004 report was not yet final and that the same was true for the 2004/2005 budget. For this reason, the carryover from last year had not yet been applied to the current year.

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

The CCoA report took the meeting to the 12:00 noon scheduled adjournment time. The group rejected the president's suggestion of extending the meeting for PSA reports. Written reports were collected for dissemination.

XVI. Public Comments - (comments provided earlier in this meeting.)

David Wilder agreed to provide information regarding 49 USC Sec. 5301(b) regarding FTA funding to Bill Hollabaugh for dissemination to all Directors.

David Wilder reported that the state HICAP board had voted to establish closer ties to other agencies involved with Medicare and that the HICAP general membership had voted to get closer to ombudsman representatives so that they will have a better understanding of health care and insurance issues when an individual is removed from a care facility.

**Next Meeting** - Havard Staggs announced to the group that we have already signed an agreement with the Clarion Hotel for rooms (1/25/05 and 1/26/05) and for a group dinner on 1/26/05 for our January meeting in Sacramento. Hotel reservations must be made by 1/15/05.

12:05 Adjourn

Respectfully Submitted,

Havard Staggs, Vice President  
Victoria Onstine Recording Secretary

**Next Meetings: January 26-27, 2005 Sacramento, CA**  
**March 9-10, 2005 Sacramento, CA**  
**April 25-28, 2005 C4A Coordinated Leadership Conference**  
**Ontario, CA**