

CALIFORNIA STATE ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

March 2, 2023

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MINUTES

1. Roll Call

OFFICERS

Chuck Washington | President
Bruce Gibson | 1st Vice President
Jeff Griffiths | 2nd Vice President
Ed Valenzuela | Immediate Past President

CSAC STAFF

Graham Knaus | CEO
Jacqueline Wong-Hernandez | Chief Policy Officer

ADVISORS

Rubin Cruse, County Counsels | Shasta
Wendy Tyler | California Association of County Executives President

EX OFFICIO MEMBER

Vito Chiesa | Treasurer, Stanislaus County

Alameda	–	Keith Carson	Orange	–	Doug Chaffee
Alpine	–	Terry Woodrow	Placer	–	Bonnie Gore
Amador	–	Jeff Brown (alternate)	Plumas	–	<i>Absent</i>
Butte	–	Tod Kimmelshue	Riverside	–	Chuck Washington
Calaveras	–	<i>Absent</i>	Sacramento	–	Rich Desmond
Colusa	–	Kent Boes	San Benito	–	Bea Gonzales
Contra Costa	–	John Gioia	San Bernardino	–	Jesse Armendarez
Del Norte	–	Chris Howard	San Diego	–	Nora Vargas
El Dorado	–	John Hidahl	San Francisco	–	<i>Absent</i>
Fresno	–	Buddy Mendes	San Joaquin	–	Robert Rickman
Glenn	–	Grant Carmon	San Luis Obispo	–	Bruce Gibson
Humboldt	–	Michelle Bushnell	San Mateo	–	<i>Absent</i>
Imperial	–	<i>Absent</i>	Santa Barbara	–	Das Williams
Inyo	–	Trina Orrill	Santa Clara	–	Susan Ellenberg
Kern	–	Zack Scrivner	Santa Cruz	–	Bruce McPherson
Kings	–	Doug Verboon	Shasta	–	Tim Garman
Lake	–	Bruno Sabatier	Sierra	–	Lee Adams
Lassen	–	<i>Absent</i>	Siskiyou	–	Ed Valenzuela
Los Angeles	–	<i>Absent</i>	Solano	–	Wendy Williams (alternate)
Madera	–	Leticia Gonzalez	Sonoma	–	James Gore
Marin	–	<i>Absent</i>	Stanislaus	–	Vito Chiesa
Mariposa	–	Miles Menetrey	Sutter	–	Karm Bain
Mendocino	–	John Haschak	Tehama	–	<i>Absent</i>
Merced	–	Scott Silveira	Trinity	–	<i>Absent</i>
Modoc	–	Ned Coe	Tulare	–	Amy Shuklian
Mono	–	John Peters	Tuolumne	–	Ryan Campbell
Monterey	–	Luis Alejo	Ventura	–	Kelly Long
Napa	–	Ryan Gregory	Yolo	–	Lucas Frerichs
Nevada	–	Heidi Hall	Yuba	–	Don Blaser

2. CEO's Report

Graham Knaus provided a brief update on the state of the Association, the current status of the COO recruitment, and provided several staff updates. He also gave a brief presentation on the responsibilities of being a CSAC Board Member.

3. CSAC Grants Initiative

Brian Rutledge, CSAC Grants Program Director, gave a presentation explaining the CSAC Grants Initiative.

4. Approval of Minutes from November 17, 2022

A motion to approve the minutes from November 17, 2022, was made by Supervisor Coe; second by Supervisor Garman. Motion passed unanimously.

5. 2026 Annual Meeting Site Selection

CSAC Staff recommended hosting the 2026 CSAC Annual Meeting in San Diego County at the Gaylord Pacific Resort and Convention Center, which will open in 2025.

A motion to approve the 2026 CSAC Annual Meeting Site was made by Supervisor Vargas; second by Supervisor Williams. Motion carried unanimously.

6. CSAC Legislative Platform

A motion to approve the California County Platform for the 2023-24 Legislative Session was made by Supervisor Ellenberg; second by Supervisor Alejo. Motion passed unanimously.

7. Caucus Report-Outs

Suburban

Supervisor Bruce Gibson, Suburban Caucus Chair, provided a brief update on the Suburban Caucus meeting.

Rural

Supervisor Jeff Griffiths, Rural Caucus Chair, provided a brief update on the Rural Caucus meeting.

Urban

Supervisor Chuck Washington, Urban Caucus Chair, provided a brief update on the Urban Caucus meeting.

8. CSAC Finance Corporation Report

Alan Fernandes, Finance Corporation CEO, gave a report on the status of the Finance Corporation as well as a presentation on Easy Smart Pay.

Jim Manker, Director of Business Development, introduced CSAC Corporate Partner, James Greaves, CEO, Persimmonny, who provided a brief presentation to the board.

9. Operations and Member Services Report

Farrah McDaid Ting, Director of Public Affairs, gave a report on the progress of the Operations and Member Services team and their efforts.

10. California Counties Foundation Report

Chastity Benson, Chief Operating Officer, provided an update on the Foundation.

11. Homelessness Strategy Session

Graham Knaus, CEO, Keely Bosler, Political & Policy Consultant, and Justin Garrett, Senior Legislative Advocate, gave a presentation on the work of the Homelessness Action Team (HAT) and the Homelessness Policy Solutions Group (HPSG), and engaged the Board in a conversation around homelessness.

The next Board of Directors Meeting will be held on April 13th, 2023, in Sacramento.