



## **NEVADA LEGISLATURE**

### **NEVADA SILVER HAired LEGISLATIVE FORUM**

*(Nevada Revised Statutes 427A.320 through 427A.400)*

#### **SUMMARY MINUTES AND ACTION REPORT**

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The seventh meeting of the Nevada Silver Haired Legislative Forum (NSHLF) was held on Tuesday, November 18, 2014, at 10 a.m. in Room 4401 of the Grant Sawyer State Office Building, 555 East Washington Avenue, Las Vegas, Nevada. The meeting was video conferenced to Room 3138 of the Legislative Building, 401 South Carson Street, Carson City, Nevada, and Chilton Circle Modular Conference Room, Great Basin College, 1500 College Parkway, Elko, Nevada.

A copy of this set of "Summary Minutes and Action Report," including the "Meeting Notice and Agenda" ([Exhibit A](#)) and other substantive exhibits, is available on the Nevada Legislature's website at <http://www.leg.state.nv.us/Interim>. In addition, copies of the audio-video record are available through the Legislative Counsel Bureau's Publications Office (e-mail: [publications@lcb.state.nv.us](mailto:publications@lcb.state.nv.us); telephone: 775/684-6835).

#### **COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT IN LAS VEGAS:**

Herbert E. Randall, Ed.D., President, NSHC Silver Senator  
Barbara Altman, Senate District No. 9  
Colleen Brown, Senate District No. 5  
Evelyn A. Cannestra, MSW, Senate District No. 8  
James Downer, RTRP, Senate District No. 20  
Verlia Davis Hoggard, Senate District No. 4  
Rick Kuhlmeier, Senate District No. 2  
Patsy Metler, Senate District No. 18  
Lucy Peres, NSHC Silver Senator  
Mary D. Roberts, Senate District No. 1  
Stephanie L. Rose, Senate District No. 11  
Betty Rumford, Senate District No. 6  
Russ Schoenbeck, NSHC Silver Representative  
Lonnie Strait, NSHC Silver Representative  
Clare Tobler, Senate District No. 12

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT IN CARSON CITY:**

Reba June Burton, Senate District No. 15  
John Paul (Jack) Ginter, Jr, Senate District No. 14  
Margaret Spooner, Senate District No. 17  
John Yacenda, Ph.D., M.P.H., P.A.H.M., Senate District No. 16

**COMMITTEE MEMBER PRESENT IN ELKO:**

Ray B. Jones, Senate District No. 19

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Clo Banks, Senate District No. 3  
Harriet Trudell, Senate District No. 10

**LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL BUREAU STAFF (LCB) PRESENT:**

Mary Shope, Coordinator, NSHLF, Administrative Division, Las Vegas Office  
Bryan Fernley, Principal Deputy Legislative Counsel, Legal Division

## **CALL TO ORDER AND OPENING REMARKS**

- Herbert E. Randall, Ed.D., Forum President, called the Nevada Silver Haired Legislative Forum's (NSHLF) meeting to order. President Randall welcomed guests and members of the public.
- Ms. Shope conducted the roll call and a quorum was determined to be present.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

- President Randall called for public comment; however, no testimony was presented.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON JUNE 17, 2014, IN LAS VEGAS, NEVADA**

- President Randall presented the minutes of the June 17, 2014, meeting for review and approval.

### **The NSHLF APPROVED THE FOLLOWING ACTION:**

LUCY PERES MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE JUNE 17, 2014, MEETING HELD IN LAS VEGAS, NEVADA. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY STEPHANIE L. ROSE AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

## **DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF THE TREASURER'S REPORT, WHICH INCLUDES THE LATEST AVAILABLE BUDGET REPORTS, APPROVAL OF RECENT EXPENDITURES, AND PROPOSED EXPENDITURES**

- Lonnie Strait, Forum Treasurer, reviewed the budget and expenditures of the Nevada Silver Haired Legislative Forum, as of November 18, 2014 ([Exhibit B](#)).

### **The NSHLF APPROVED THE FOLLOWING ACTION:**

VERLIA DAVIS HOGGARD MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE TREASURER'S REPORT AND EXPENDITURES ENDING NOVEMBER 18, 2014. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY LUCY PERES AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

## **DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF THE NEVADA SILVER HAIRED LEGISLATIVE FORUM'S SUMMARY REPORT SUBMITTED TO THE LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION AND THE GOVERNOR, SEPTEMBER 2014**

- President Randall opened the discussion and solicited feedback from Forum members regarding the Summary Report to the Legislative Commission and the Governor, September 2014 ([Exhibit C](#)). He requested minor corrections to Recommendation No. 3 regarding Housing Services.
- Ray B. Jones, Forum Member, shared his support for the Summary Report.
- President Randall suggested Forum members follow the Forum's Bill Draft Request (BDR) No. 38-415 ("Revises provisions governing the long-term care ombudsman.") using the Legislative Counsel Bureau's Personalized Legislative Tracking (PLT). Ms. Shope shared the timetable for the Summary Report printing and stated the Forum members would receive complementary copies. In addition, Ms. Shope indicated the Summary Report would be presented to the Governor and the Legislative Commission for approval.

**The NSHLF APPROVED THE FOLLOWING ACTION:**

JAMES DOWNER MOVED TO APPROVE THE NSHLF SUMMARY REPORT TO THE LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION AND THE GOVERNOR, SEPTEMBER 2014 WITH THE MINOR CORRECTIONS AS NOTED BY PRESIDENT RANDALL. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY LUCY PERES AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

## **STATUS REPORT ON THE NATIONAL SILVER HAIRED CONGRESS (NSHC) AND NATIONAL COUNCIL OF SILVER HAIRED LEGISLATORS (NCSHL)**

- President Randall reported on the NSHC's 16th Annual Conference, held in August 2014. He referenced the NSHC's Top Five Resolutions, which are included in the Forum's Summary Report ([Exhibit C](#)). President Randall shared the results of the NSHC's Election of Officers. He reported he was elected Chairman of the Board of Directors, Lucy Peres was elected First Vice-Chair, and Lonnie Strait was elected Treasurer. He indicated the top challenges for the NSHC included membership growth and fundraising.
- Ms. Peres introduced the newest member of the Nevada Delegation, Mary D. Roberts, Silver Representative.
- Ms. Davis Hoggard reported on the NCSHL. She mentioned she was elected as the First Vice-President of the Council. She provided the preliminary information for the 2015 Annual Conference.

## **REPORTS FROM NSHLF MEMBERS AND DISCUSSION OF SENIOR CONCERNS**

- Ms. Shope informed the Forum members that Melisa Aguon was recently selected as the Legislative Services Officer, Administrative Division, Las Vegas Office.
- Reba June Burton, Forum Member, inquired about the Forum's brochure success. Ms. Shope stated the brochure has assisted with the outreach efforts. President Randall requested the Forum members provide their legislators with the brochure and the Summary Report.
- Ms. Davis Hoggard encouraged Forum members to personally notify their legislators about the Summary Report.

## **DISCUSSION OF FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND POSSIBLE MEETING DATES**

- President Randall opened the discussion on future agenda items, meeting dates, and expenditures. Ms. Shope mentioned that Forum members would be informed of legislative dates for committee hearings and the Older Americans Day at the Legislature.
- Barbara Altman, Forum Member, suggested Aging and Disability Services Division (ADSD) representatives be invited as speakers at a future meeting.
- Ms. Burton encouraged Forum members to participate in the 2015 Legislative Session. She requested a summary of the legislative session.
- President Randall referred to AARP's CARE Act (the Caregiver Advise, Record, Enable Act) and requested the Forum support this proposed legislation. ([Exhibit D](#))

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

- John Yacenda, Forum Member, requested representatives from ADSD highlight their legislative agenda. Dr. Yacenda and Ms. Burton shared their gratitude for their services and dedication to seniors.
- Jill R. Berntson, Deputy Administrator, Chief, Elder Rights Division, ADSD, stated the Division is requesting additional staffing for ombudsman and elder rights protection programs.
- Heather Korbolic, State Long-Term Care Ombudsman, ADSD, extended her appreciation for the Forum's BDR No. 38-415. In addition, Ms. Korbolic stated BDR No. S-417 ("Revises provisions relating to facilities for skilled nursing.") would be introduced to improve direct nursing care staffing.

- Sally Ramm, Elder Rights Attorney, ADSD, provided an overview of the proposed BDRs that address senior issues.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Forum, President Randall entertained a motion to adjourn.

The NSHLF **APPROVED THE FOLLOWING ACTION:**

VERLIA DAVIS HOGGARD MOVED TO ADJOURN THE MEETING.  
THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY STEPHANIE L. ROSE AND PASSED  
UNANIMOUSLY.

President Randall adjourned the meeting at 11:15 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Mary Shope, Coordinator  
Nevada Silver Haired Legislative Forum

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Herbert E. Randall, Ed.D., President  
Nevada Silver Haired Legislative Forum

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Clare Tobler, Vice President  
Nevada Silver Haired Legislative Forum

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## LIST OF EXHIBITS

[Exhibit A](#) is the “Meeting Notice and Agenda” for November 18, 2014, provided by Mary Shope, Coordinator, Nevada Silver Haired Legislative Forum (NSHLF), Administrative Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau (LCB).

[Exhibit B](#) is a memorandum titled “Treasurer’s Report” ending Fiscal Year 2013-2014, Periods Ending 11/18/2014, provided by Mary Shope, Coordinator, NSHLF, Administrative Division, LCB.

[Exhibit C](#) is the “Nevada Silver Haired Legislative Forum Summary Report to the Legislative Commission and The Governor September 2014,” provided by Mary Shope, Coordinator, NSHLF, Administrative Division, LCB.

[Exhibit D](#) is a document titled “AARP’s The Caregiver Advise, Record, Enable (CARE) Act,” provided by Herbert E. Randall, Ed.D., President, NSHLF.

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