

GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

June 10, 2008

In order to streamline and improve the advocacy efforts of the Yuba-Sutter Chamber of Commerce the following process changes have been approved by the Board of Directors.

Position Process:

A position of the Chamber shall be adopted by implementing one of the following processes:

1. Position recommended by the Government Affairs Committee

At the discretion of the chair of the GAC, the Chamber Board chair, Chamber CEO or by a vote of the GAC, items of interest may be agendaized for consideration.

All items on the GAC agenda being considered for a position will be accompanied by background information and/or presentation. Background information will be provided to the committee the Friday immediately preceding the meeting.

Prior to taking a position, the GAC must provide an opportunity for both sides of the issues to present before the committee when it is clearly an issue for which there are opposing sides and the position of the Chamber has not been previously determined such as minimum wage increases.

After a motion has passed or failed, GAC members who are on the Executive Committee will decide if a written report needs to go to both the Executive Committee as a late agenda item and, if approved, to the Board of Directors for ratification.

The Executive Committee and Board of Directors have authority to veto positions presented by the GAC at the following Board of Directors meeting. The vote must be one (1) vote greater than the number of GAC board members that voted in the majority on the issue.

2. Position by Past Practices

If a position on an issue has been made in the past or is stated within the Guiding Principles of the chamber a position may be taken by majority agreement of the Chamber Board chair, GAC chair and the Chamber CEO.

The Chamber CEO may write support letters at her discretion that are for ongoing projects that have been written in the past such as support of the Youth Build program and Coyote Run Golf Course that need support letters to keep their projects going.

3. Guiding Principles will be reviewed every two years and presented to the Board of Directors for ratification.

4. Leadership Steering Committee

The Leadership Steering Committee (LSC) meets on the 3rd Thursday.

The LSC will consist of the GAC Chair, the Chairman of the Board, the immediate past Chairman, the Chairman-elect, two non-board members of the GAC and the Executive Director/CEO.

The LSC will review the Issue Management Forms and discuss topics for consideration of the GAC. The GAC may remove or table a discussion item by a majority vote of the GAC.

The agenda will be sent out to the GAC and all Board members with supporting Issue Management documentation on the Friday before the meeting.