

Grand Jurors Association of Orange County

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

January 8, 2015

Call to Order: President John Moohr called the meeting to order at 1005.

Absent: Virginia Zlakets. Past President Cheryl Brothers in attendance.

Minutes: Carol Duensing moved and Lynn Bonas 2nd that the November 6, 2014 minutes be approved. So approved.

Treasurer's Report: Bill Underwood passed out a two page handout detailing Revenues and Expenses. Bank balance is \$6,336.15 and the Certificate of Deposit Balance is \$8,987.84. New bank checking signatures with OCCU will take place at the 5 February 2015 meeting.

Membership: Carol Morales reported that the association has 99 paid members and 19 current grand jurors for a total membership of 118.

Programs: Joe Quiros proposed Larry Haynes and Karen Roper to be our speakers on the "homeless issue in Orange County" at the March 5th General Meeting. Menu options to be decided in February.

Newsletter: Bill to work with Cheryl on the current list of Associations members. Helen Alberts volunteered to run down missing e-mail addresses for Bill. The option of going paperless will be decided at next month's Bd. Mtg.

Correspondence: John brought up for discussion the e-mail sent by Fred Gebhardt to activate the Speakers' Bureau found in our By-Laws. This would require recruiting past grand jurors, identifying OC service organizations, preparing outlines/handouts, working with the current Grand Jury and the Court System. Fred to come back in February with a follow up proposal. John passed out Grand Jury recruiting flyers to the board to distribute in our neighbors etc. Deadline for applications is Friday the 23rd of January.

Standing Committees:

Measure M (TOC): Robin Bowen to meet with Alice Rogan on the 28th at 1030 to kick off this year's selection process. Four Districts have a vacancy (1,2,4 and 5).

Web Site: Sent November 6, 2014 Bd. Minutes to Ron Harris to publish and thanked him for all his work on the Boards' behalf.

Old Business:

TIC: Roy Baker to kick off this committee and has the names of board members interested in participating along with Wanda Schaeffer, David Chapel, Mike Anzis and Alf Lyle.

X. Grand Jury Involvement: John met with sitting Grand Jury Foreman (Paul) and passed out the pins and discussed funding for next year's training. John asked for our input on the association's goals and objectives:

Helen Alberts – Would like to see the association grow and conduct more business at the general sessions to encourage input. Recommended that we sit at tables to meet new members.

Roy Baker – More participation on our part to overcome recent Grand Jury setbacks nationwide. More follow up on reports and continuity to be more than a “paper tiger”.

Fred Gebhardt – Continue to educate OC public via various public organizations.

Stuart Fuller – Reach out to current members and hopefully integrate them into association goals and objectives.

Bill Underwood – Instead of reacting to crises, take advantage of the most recent grand jury members (past 3 years) desire to continue their service to OC. We need to do something different to attract new members.

John Moohr – Use current county speakers to educate residents on the various county issues.

Robin Bowen – Resurrect and implement the Tracking and Implementation Committee set forth in our By-Laws.

Joe Quiros – Meet with current Fore Person and update the Grand Jury recruiting film.

Carol Morales – Stop bickering. Bring people together and get younger residents involved.

Carol Duensing – A two time grand juror recommends meeting with outgoing and incoming grand jury panels.

Cheryl Brothers – No comment. Happy to be here this morning.

Adjourned: By President John Moohr at 1130.

Board Meeting Dates: 1000 AM at OCCU -5 February 2015. General Meeting - 5 March 2015 at the Phoenix Club.