

## **Grand Jurors Association of Orange County**

### **Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**

**February 4, 2016**

**Call to Order:** President John Moohr called the meeting to order at 10:05AM

**Present:** John Moohr, Stu Fuller, Paul Borzciak, Dave Chapel, Bill Underwood, Dennis Evans, Lynn Bonas

**Absent:** Helen Alberts, Fred Gebhardt, Roy Baker, Robin Bowen

Dennis Evans was introduced as the new Director to fill Virginia Zlaket's position on the Board and was unanimously approved. Roy Baker's reference to the bylaws provided guidance on this for future appointments.

**Minutes:** Dave Chapel moved, Lynn Bonas 2<sup>nd</sup> that the minutes from the January 7, 2016 approved with 1 abstention. Robin Bowen will forward to Ron Harris for posting.

**Treasurers Report:** Stu will be presenting the final draft of the 2016 Budget for approval at a special meeting following the March 3 luncheon. Stu asked for recommendations or changes to the budget in a discussion and Dave Chapel requested a line item for reserves or contingencies for unexpected expenses. Stu will email his final draft to the Board before the March 3 meeting. Stu is preparing the financials for the Audit Committee.

**Membership:** Dave Chapel reported for Helen Alberts that there are 164 total members, that she turned \$45.00 to Stu for additional membership dues she collected, and that she will be sending out reminders to approximately 50 members who have not paid dues for this year. She asked that the Board consider raising the dues to \$20.00 per year. Helen would like to have a mixer in early March at Original Mikes for the 2015-2016 Grand Jury and would like the Board to consider paying for this. She will get pricing for inclusion in the budget and will work with Stu if approved. Helen also proposed having a mixer for the incoming 2016-2017 panel, much like she did last year at her home. The consensus is that June is a good time for the mixer. Helen will be printing out membership cards.

**Programs:** Linh Tran, Administrator for the Human Trafficking Task Force, Sgt. Juan Reveles, Task Force Sergeant, Anaheim Police Department and Bryan Clavecilla, Deputy District Attorney, HEAT Unit, OCDA will be our speakers at the March 3 luncheon. Bill Underwood provided a flyer he researched online for a presentation Linh Tran did for another group, "Fighting Sex Slavery in Orange County". This will be the headlined topic publicized in our newsletter. Bill Underwood has a suggested line up for the June

luncheon that will address election issues and will work with Lynn. Dave Chapel has suggested speakers for the September luncheon and will be contacting his sources at the Voice of OC. Dave will work with Lynn on the September program.

**Newsletter:** Bill provided a publication schedule (see attached). He is requesting that we take more pictures at our luncheons for inclusion in the newsletter and would like to have them the week following. Suggestions regarding different categories or columns were made, including an “In the News” that would address current events in Orange County that were subjects of Grand Jury Reports. The last 3 panels found deficiencies in the video coverage at the jail, and this was reported by the news media during the recent manhunt for 3 escapees.

Bill made adjustments to the software that lowers the cost to email the newsletter and is sharing the information with John and Robin as backup.

Any suggestions for improvement can be forwarded along with submissions for the newsletter to Bill. John Moohr made a point that the newsletter has been great and the Board shared that opinion unanimously.

**Correspondence:** It was moved by Lynn Bonas, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dave Chapel to form a subcommittee to work out the methodology and define the parameters and award categories for virtual awards for Grand Jury Reports. Per the proposal by Paul Borzcik, the subcommittee awards will be fluid and based on the nature of the reports, with the award categories notional and flexible. The subcommittee will bring all nominations to the Board for review and approval. Vote to approve forming the subcommittee was unanimous after discussion. John Moohr appointed Paul Borzcik Chair of the subcommittee. Bill Underwood will serve on the committee. Volunteers for the committee should contact Paul.

Jerry Brown submitted his resignation as a Director due to health issues in his family. Please submit potential nominees to the Nominating Committee as well as John Moohr.

CGJA/CSDA Legislative Correspondence. Bill Underwood suggested the Board reactivate the Legislative Committee to keep up with pending legislation in Sacramento. The California Special Districts Association is pushing for changes in the laws governing the Grand Jury to make exit interviews mandatory. The CGJA is currently working with CSDA on this issue. John Moohr appointed Dennis Evans Chair, Paul Borzcik joined the committee, Volunteers should contact Dennis.

John reported that the final applicant number for the 2016-2017 Grand Jury was 145 up from 55 at last month’s board meeting.

**Standing Committees:** Measure M: Bill Underwood will chair as stand in for Robin Bowen. John Moohr, and John Gallie, will serve. Two open spaces will be publicized in the newsletter.

Web Site – Still seeking a webmaster.

Speakers Bureau Fred Gebhart reported to John that over 100 contacts will be made to senior groups.

**Old Business** TIC Update. 2/18 TIC review. Dennis Evans will join the committee.

2016 OCTA Measure M Committee Schedule Bill Underwood provided the 2016 Recruitment Schedule for Supervisorial . Districts 1, 3, 4, 5. Promotion starts the week of March 14<sup>th</sup>, with applications due by May 2<sup>nd</sup>. Interviews from May 2<sup>nd</sup> through the 13<sup>th</sup>.

**New Business** Audit Committee – Chairman Dave Chapel, John Gallie, member  
Legislative Committee – Dennis Evans, Paul Borzcik, member

Adjournment 12:05 PM. Next meeting March 3<sup>rd</sup>, Phoenix Club