

Grand Jurors Association of Orange County

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

October 5, 2017

Call to Order: President Roy Baker called the meeting to order at 1000. Nine members present for a quorum. Absent: Paul Borzcik. Present were newly elected Calendar Year 2018 members John Gallie and April Lancaster.

Minutes: John Moohr moved and Tom Cagley 2nd that the August 3, 2017 minutes be approved. So approved.

Introduction of newly-elected Board Members: 2018-2020.

Lynn Bonas, Roy Baker, April Lancaster, John Gallie, Ian Guajardo and Carrie Carmody.

April Lancaster served on the 2013-14 Grand Jury with Tom, Alf, John Gallie and Sandy Dunkin.

John Gallie served on the 2009-2010 and 2013-14 Grand Juries.

September 7, 2017 Luncheon: Alf Lyle presented a breakdown of the September luncheon revenues which included seven (7) free lunches for the last grand jury attendees. Alf and Mike to edit the membership roster list and coordinate with Joe Quiros. Bill Underwood is financing (\$6.00/Mo.) Constant Contact for our use. Robin Bowen, April Lancaster, Alf Lyle and Lynn Bonas to man the sign in tables for the December 7, 2017 luncheon which is our best attended as we collect for annual dues at that time. The Phoenix Club has a larger room available than the one the GJAOC usually uses, which might be available if needed if a large number of reservations for the December luncheon are received early. John Moohr moved and John Gallie 2nd that we bill "no shows" for their RSVP. Motion failed.

Treasurers Report: Tom Cagley passed out the October 2017 Financial Statement. Mike Morris moved and Sandy Dunkin 2nd that the report be approved. So approved.

Membership Report: Alf Lyle to follow up with Mike Morris on respective membership lists and processing mailing labels. Table settings and gifts for the December Luncheon will be discussed at the November Board meeting.

Programs: Stan Ness presented several options for the December guest speaker. He mentioned we do need a judge for the swearing in of our new Board Members. He mentioned several but prefers Presiding Judge Charles Margines, as he set forth several areas that can be brought to the attention of Judge Margines for clarification. Stan is drafting a letter of invitation and will hand carry it to the judge. Stan and Roy discussed presenting a "State of the Association" topic at an upcoming luncheon to get the Association membership more involved. Possibly in March to include a panel of Judges. Judge Margines, County Counsel, and Judge Nakamura for a procedural understanding between the Court and the Grand Jury and how can we help each other.

Newsletter: Mike Morris indicated members do not go to our website and maybe we should pass out the newsletter at our luncheons. Mike reiterated that he needs content for the newsletter. By-lines, letters to the editor, and other content can be included (with the proper board disclaimers) to speed up the process. We need to constantly include the mission statement and what the Board does.

Committees:

- a. Measure M:** Nothing to report until January 2018.
- b. Speakers Bureau:** Sandy Dunkin passed out a report on the committee's progress such as meetings/agendas, speaking opportunities/activity. Sandy thanked Tom Cagley for representing us at the Veterans Resource Fair at Saddleback College. She met with Gwen Vieau PIO of the Superior Court who provided 100 flyers for our use. Three of the five county supervisors posted press releases in their constituent newsletters.
- c. Legislative:** John Moohr summarized Paul's update on AB 1024 and AB 1004. The former is now law. It authorizes the release of grand jury testimony involving a police officer shooting even if an indictment is not given. The latter provides a website that contains the contact information for elected officials. We wanted this to include special district and school district representatives. Bill is now on its way to the governor.
- d. Implementation Review:** Roy Baker followed up on the OCFA response which is not user friendly. There are two members on this committee and Roy is inviting the grand jury to join.

State Convention: Sunday 29 October 1300 to Monday 30 October 1200. Monterey Bay Embassy Suites. We have a budget item to reimburse board members who plan to attend.

Old/New Business: John Moohr passed to Roy Baker the package of 100 pins that finally arrived. Roy to pass out to seated Grand Jury members. Supply will last 5 years.

Adjournment: Mike Morris moved and Roy Baker 2nd that we adjourn. Adjourned at 1210.

Next meeting at OCCU (856 N. Ross St. Santa Ana), 2 November 2017 at 1000.