

Grand Jurors Association of Orange County

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

April 12, 2018

Call to Order: President Roy Baker called the meeting to order at 10:00 am. **Roll Call – Eight (8)** Board members being present, thereby constituting a quorum. Members present: Lynn Bonas, Ian Guajardo, Alf Lyle, John Gallie, Roy Baker, Sandy Dunkin, April Lancaster, and Mike Morris. Members absent: Bart Harlan, Tom Cagley, and Stan Ness. Guest: John Moohr.

Approval of Minutes: It was moved by Lynn Bonas and seconded by April Lancaster that the Board Meeting Minutes for the March 1, 2018 meeting be approved as published. The motion passed without correction or objection.

Review of Board positions: President Baker announced that he had received a letter from Tom Cagley resigning his position as Treasurer due to the time demands dealing with family health issues. Tom plans to continue on the Board and to attend meetings as often as possible. We had two candidates to fill the one open Board position: Marie Whittington and Dave Chapel. Marie informed Roy B that she was withdrawing her candidacy in favor of Dave. The Board approved Dave to fill the vacant position by a 6-2 vote.

Treasurer's Report: No report was given. The Board delegated signature authority on the GJAOB accounts held by the Orange County Credit Union to the following Board members:

Roy Baker

Alf Lyle

John Gallie

Tom Cagley

April Lancaster

Membership Report: (A). Consolidation of Listings: Alf Lyle announced that he now has updated/consolidated the roster of members including their contact information and their 2018 dues payment status. The updated roster was provided by Alf via email to Board members on 10 April 2018. The updated roster includes 11 corrections to email addresses, 9 corrections to street addresses, and 7 corrections to phone numbers from the 2017 version. (B). Status of dues collected: 75 members' dues have been deposited as of the Board meeting date. The total number of dues collected so far is still a low number. The 75 paid dues represent only 66% of 2017's 113 paid members. Alf will work with Mike Morris to send out one more e-mail blast reminder. Lynn Bonas volunteered to work with Virginia Zlaket to make personal calls to members delinquent on their 2018 dues. Alf will send to GJAOB member Joyce Zohar, who is

serving on the 2017-2018 Jury, a request for contact information for those jurors so we can invite them to join the GJAOC.

Programs: Potential Speakers for June 7th luncheon: Roy B will work with Stan Ness to find a speaker for the luncheon, with the priority being to get an expert speaker on how the County is addressing the homeless problem.

Newsletter: Mike Morris reminded Board members to contribute news items to him for publication.

Committees:

A. OC GO - John M reported that applications for membership on the OCTA OC GO (Measure M) Taxpayers Oversight Committee (TOC) are currently being collected and that applications are due no later than May 1, 2018.

B. Speakers Bureau - Sandy provided those in attendance with a handout (Speakers Bureau Newsletter). She also reminded members of the 2018 OC Senior Summit on April 20th at the Laguna Woods Village Performing Arts Center. She will have a booth with information on the Grand Jury system and a sign-up sheet for people that are interested and desire additional information.

C.

Implementation/Review - No report was given.

D. Legislative – Roy Baker distributed copies of CGJA President Andi Winters’ letter to the California Attorney General’s office presenting CGJA’s opinion on California Penal Code Section 919(b). After general discussion, the consensus of the Board was that although the jails in Orange County don’t qualify as prisons under the penal code, the Orange County Grand Jury still has investigation of these local jails within its purview even if the state penal code does not *require* such reports and hence these clarifications defining “prisons” do not materially affect the OC Grand Jury.

Old/New Business

- A. **Luncheon** – Lynn B will coordinate the menu selections for the June luncheon with Joe Quiros and the Phoenix Club. Alf to provide Roy B with the list of names of people who came to the March luncheon believing they had made reservations but whose names didn’t make it onto the list from Joe Q.
- B. **CGJA Membership** – Roy B solicited input/recommendations to be given to the CGJA for their Excellence in Reporting Awards for Grand Jury Reporting and Grand Jury Media Coverage.
- C. **Meeting with David Yamasaki on March13** – (There was no time to cover this item.)

Adjournment: President Baker declared the meeting adjourned at 11:45 am.

Next meeting is scheduled at the OCCU (856 N. Ross Street, Santa Ana), May 3, 2018 at 10 am.