



May 4, 2023  
Minutes of the Board Meeting

Agenda Item 1. Call to Order 1:10 PM

Agenda Item 2. Roll Call:

Board Members present: Doug Gillen, Virginia Zlaket, Terri Elders, April Lancaster, Karen Kindschi, Sandy Dunkin, Ian Guarjardo, Ken Blake, Lynn Bonas

Members Present: Larry Klementowski, John Moohr, Greg Tettermar, Bill Underwood, Alf Lyle

Agenda Item 3. Approval of Minutes from April 2023 Meeting: Minutes of the April 2023 meeting were approved as corrected.

Agenda Item 4. Membership Report – Karen Kindschi: Membership Chair Karen Kindschi reported 180 members, 174 email addresses. Karen emailed the board the current membership list, asking all to delete the older ones, since some people on the list do not want to receive emails.

Agenda Item 5. Treasurer's Report – Ken Blake: Treasurer Ken Blake will be contacting the board regarding the charges associated with having the credit card scanner at our luncheons. He will also attempt once again to ascertain the credit union's ability to accommodate a website payment for lunches and dues.

Agenda Item 6. Programs Report – Lynn Bonas: Lynn Bonas reported that Judge Hernandez is still scheduled to be our speaker in June.

Agenda Item 7. Committee Reports

Agenda Item 7A. Measure M/OC Go – Bill Underwood: See attached

Agenda Item 7B. Speakers Bureau – Sandy Dunkin: Sandy Dunkin reported:

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1. A Course/Event Proposal has been submitted to the Curriculum Committee of OLLI-CSUF (Cal State Fullerton) for presentation of “Highlights of Grand Jury Recently Published Reports” from the 2022/2023 panel. (This lecture will be the same presentation planned for OLLI-UCI by speakers Doug Gillen and John Siragusa, Foreperson.)
  
2. Consideration to join FreeSpeakers.org, a pro bono speakers bureau of Los Angeles & Orange County. FreeSpeakers.org connects dynamic speakers with the program needs of local organizations in the Orange County area. Basic membership is \$34.99/year.

Agenda Item 7C. Ad Hoc Recognition Committee – Terri Elders: Terri Elders reported that five non-profits submitted by members for recognition in addressing the issues/recommendations in Grand Jury reports were selected by the committee:

- Catarina’s Club
- Kherut
- Eli Home
- Laura’s House
- Radiant Future (Formerly Women’s Transition Center)

The board approved a \$250.00 donation for each. One person from each group will be at the December meeting/luncheon and receive a certificate of recognition as well as the donation.

Terri Elders also reported that the Ad Hoc Committee is working with a teacher at Los Amigos High School for new digital logo and branding designs for the certificate and website banner. A \$150 prize for the winning design was approved by the board.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Agenda Item 8. Updated Bylaws: Draft of the updated bylaws will be sent to Greg Tettermer for distribution to the board for consideration.

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Agenda Item 9. Court Ambassador program: Court Ambassador Program currently has 15 volunteers from the association. Training for all volunteers will be held in the Fall.

Agenda Item 10. OC Fair Booth: We will not be able to participate this year. The Court is budgeting for next year.

Agenda Item 11. Dues Notification: Our change in dues from calendar year to fiscal year will be explained by our Membership chair, Karen Kindschi via email. Dues of \$20 will be from July - July.

Agenda Item 12. Feedback from lunch for the seated Grand Jury in April: Karen Kindschi reported that all the members of the sitting grand jury supplied their email addresses, and that Kherut provided excellent box lunches through their catering service, Savor.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Agenda Item 13. Can we shift back to in person meetings?: Sandy Dunkin has diligently pursued venues for in person meetings with the possibility of hybrid. After many calls and research, we may be able to have in person meetings / hybrid at the training center for the credit union St. Andrews Pl, next to the Santa Ana Elks Lodge. No Charge.

Agenda Item 14. Any New Business Items from Board Members: Discussion regarding a Parliamentarian was held. It was decided that member Larry Klementowski will serve as our temporary Parliamentarian.

Agenda Item 15. Adjournment – Meeting adjourned at 3:28PM

Submitted,

Rick Barker, Secretary

**GJAOC Board Status Update as of 5/4/2023**  
**Measure M/OC Go Taxpayer Oversight Committee Applicant Screening**  
**Panel**

Report by Bill Underwood, 2023 Panel Chair

**Summary Status:**

1. **On Schedule, Under Budget** so far, for May, 2023 Interviews of Applicants for 2023-2026 Taxpayer Oversight Committee (TOC) terms to oversee OC Go expenditures. GJAOC/OCTA 2024-28 Contract initial discussion meeting went well. Next Steps will resume after 2023 Interviews are complete.
2. **Fully Staffed** GJAOC TOC Screening Panel in place to interview In Person for 2<sup>nd</sup> time after 2 virtual years. Panel consists of :
  - **2 Co-chairs, Bill Underwood (2011-12) & Robin Bowen (2009-10)**
  - **3 new panelists, Lynette Fujitani (2021-22), Patty LaVoie (2020-21) and Laree Lopez (2019-20 & 2021-22)**
  - Experienced members in reserve for mentoring and back-up, as needed:
    - **John Moohr, Virginia Zlaket, Sandy Dunkin, Bette Flick, Joyce Zohar, Lynn Bonas, Stan Ness, Cheryl Brothers** and others.
    - Kudos to **Doug Gillen** for agreeing to share his experience on the TOC at our GJAOC panel orientation tomorrow. Doug was chosen for TOC, before he became a GJAOC member.
3. **26 Applications for 2 Districts this year vs 22 TOC Applications for 4 districts last year**

Application Deadline is Friday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, so may receive more. The # of applicants is **confidential** & not to be shared with others, please.
4. **Schedule this week & going forward:**
  - Friday 5/5 – Panel Orientation, applications review & scheduling
  - 5/9 - 5/12 – 4 days of interviews
  - 5/15 - 5/16 – 1 or 2 additional days of interviews, if needed
  - 5/17 or 5/24 – 2023 GJAOC summary letter

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Subsequently – OCTA Legal review & OCTA notifies applicants  
June – GJAOC Invoice to OCTA  
Late June OCTA Board Meeting – OCTA Board Lottery Selection of  
TOC Committee 2 new Members & Alts for 2023-26.  
August - GJAOC Treasurer should receive the \$6,000 OCTA check