

October 5, 2023 Minutes of the Board Meeting

Agenda Item 1. Call to Order 1:00 PM

Agenda Item 2. Roll Call:

Present: Doug Gillen, April Lancaster, Chris Evans, Sandy Dunkin, Virginia Zlakets, Larry Klementowski, Lynn Bonas

Zoom: Karen Kindschi, Terri Elders, Greg Tettemer, Ken Blake, Bill Underwood

Agenda Item 3. Approval of Minutes from August and September 2023 Meetings: August Minutes were approved as submitted, September minutes were approved as amended

Agenda Item 4. Membership Report: Karen Kindschi reported 79 members of the association. A discussion was held regarding "Paid" memberships vs. "Free" memberships. It was decided that there will be an ongoing dialogue to establish the number of people who pay dues and encourage those on our Master List to become members with benefits other than the reduced luncheon rate.

Agenda Item 5. Treasurer's Report: Ken Blake sent all board members the financials for August and September.

Agenda Item 6. Programs Report: Lynn Bonas reported: March speakers will be Sheriff's Dept. and Probation presenting the Re-Entry Program for inmates being released into the county. The county must provide programs for inmates from the funds collected for use of phones and snacks from inmate accounts.

June speakers will be the OC Human Trafficking Task Force. In addition to our local police department members, and the OC district attorney, a federal prosecutor and two special agents with Homeland are now members of the Task Force.

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September speaker will address our county park/recreation system and environment including the beaches.

Agenda Item 7. Committee Reports

Agenda Item 7A. Measure M/OC Go: Bill Underwood sent a detailed email to the board. Bill, John Moohr and Robin Bowen are meeting with OCTA tomorrow, Friday the 6th to discuss the new contract.

Agenda Item 7B. Speakers Bureau – Sandy Dunkin: Sandy Dunkin discussed her report that was sent by email to board members. She also shared posters created from the new recruitment flyer. The posters and easels are available for speaking engagements and any event to promote and recruit Grand Jurors.

Agenda Item 7C. Ad Hoc Recognition Committee – Terri Elders: Terri Elders reported that she has contacted all the recipients for 2023. Terri will be presenting a check for \$150 to Oscar Sanchez, a senior at Los Amigos High School tomorrow for his design submission that the committee selected as the winner.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Agenda Item 8. Updated Bylaws: Klem emailed a section of the bylaws for discussion at the board meeting. It was agreed that the committee will continue working on the by laws, with the goal of having them presented for a vote at the March General Membership meeting.

Agenda Item 9. Court Ambassador program: April Lancaster reported that the Ambassador Program has 15 volunteers at this time. An email with courts/dates was sent out to all volunteers for sign-ups. At least 30 volunteers are needed, and our newsletter will include a call for volunteers. Doug and April have a meeting scheduled tomorrow, 10/6.

Agenda Item 10. Updated Logo: Item was deferred

Agenda Item 11. Restart of Newsletter: Sandy Dunkin has done a great job of getting a newsletter out. She is sending the newsletter out 2 weeks prior to the luncheons.

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NEW BUSINESS

Agenda Item 12. Outside Event Promotion: Item was deferred

Agenda Item 13. Joint Ventures with seated Grand Jury: Item was deferred

Agenda Item 14. Any New Business Items from Board Members: No new business items.

Agenda Item 15. Adjournment – Meeting adjourned at 3:00PM

Submitted,

Rick Barker, Secretary