

#### Marin Chapter California Grand Jurors' Association Annual Membership Meeting June 14, 2016 Marin Civic Center Room #410B 10:00AM

# MINUTES

Attendees: Nadine Muller, Sarah Loughran, Albert Lozano, Owen Haxton, Gene Dyer, Linda Glasscock, Tom Borden, Paul Premo, Sherry Rogers, Rich Treadgold, Phyllis Berger, Larry Bauer, Stever Barlow, Penny Moreci, Kevin Haggarty, Dennis Brown, Scott Drotman, Jack Nixon, Jay Hamilton-Roth, Jeff Locke, Jean Gunn

- 1. Light Refreshments
- 2. Approve Board Minutes of Meeting May 3, 2016 Approved
- 3. Board of Directors Year End Summary of Activities Nadine Muller

This year was one of many changes! Highlights were:

- > Trained the '15-'16 Jury
- Assumed full responsibility for interviewing candidates (judges no longer interview)
- > Established new Selection Advisory Committee to conduct interview process
- Revised interview process including adding a group setting and more behavioral questions; changes approved by Judge Simmons (Tom, Rich, Jean)
- Updated the training manual (Rich)
- > Conducted two successful classes at the College of Marin (Rich and Susan)
- > Received \$1,300 from the County for recruitment purposes

A motion was made to praise and give gratitude to Nadine from the entire Board for her outstanding leadership and tireless efforts. Motion seconded and passed unanimously!

4. <u>Committee Updates</u>

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- Implementation Review (Sarah-Tom)
  - The Marin County Jail Report (June 2015) was conducted in response to a '13-'14 Jail Checkup Report on medical care in the County Jail. It will soon be posted to the County's Grand Jury website with the original report.
  - The IRC's analysis of the Jail Checkup Report is close to completion and will soon be posted to the IRC section of the MCCGJA's site.
    - The IRC has submitted applications to the CCJA for two awards:
      - 1. Best News Media Reporting submitted for the Marin IJ
      - 2. Best Report submitted the Retirement Health Benefits report for the award
  - Larry noted that via a bike photo contest that he had won lunch with Damon Connolly (Board of Supervisors).
- Communication (Gene)
  - Gene requested articles for the upcoming newsletter

- Selection Advisory Committee (Chair Borden)
  - There were 39 applicants for the '16/'17 jury year. 33 were interviewed. Ultimately 19 were selected (with 3 holdovers) and 5 alternates
  - Discussed possible enhancements to process for next year.
  - The candidates need more hand holding through the process. Thought the County was doing this but perhaps not touching base with candidates as often as needed.
  - Paul Premo noted that Orange County sent out a report on follow-up by County Government
- Training Committee (Rich)
  - Current status of Manual revisions (Rich) Done and published!
  - Update on Changes to Training (Rich) Training will now be 5 days long and the initial phase will be completed in one week. There will be no observers, only the MC and instructors. Will do hands-on work after each training after each section.
- Social Events -- (Nancy)- absent
  - Update on New Grand Jury reception July 14, 2016 McInnis Park Linda Glasscock – 4:00-6:00 pm for incoming and outgoing jury. Please attend!
  - Ride on SMART Train May 12<sup>th</sup> Those who attended enjoyed the ride.
- Membership Update (Owen)
  - See below (\*).
- Treasurer's Report (Peter) absent No report
- Outreach Program (Jean Gunn)
  - Year end summary. Jean summarized the committee's work and expressed disappointment that there were ultimately not more applicants. Discussed the need for everyone to do outreach. Discussed need for revised FAQs on the County Counsel website.
- Regional CGJA meeting May 7<sup>th</sup> -Mike Chernock and Linda Glasscock

Linda Glasscock reported on the meeting and said there was a good discussion on recruitment. Mike Chernock spoke at the Regional Meeting regarding our recruitment efforts.

• Election of 2016-2017 Officers

### **Nominations: Officers**

- 1. President Jack Nixon
- 2. Vice President Open
- 3. Secretary Phyllis Berger
- 4. Treasurer Kevin Hagerty

#### Additional Nominations – none

Vote for Officers: The above slate was elected unanimously.

Meeting turned over to new President, Jack Nixon. Jack spoke briefly.

Meeting Adjourned.

## \*Report on Membership from Owen Haxton:

CGJA members stand at 17. Six will expire this calendar year. Seven of the remaining 10 will expire by July 31, 2017, Three are Life Members. Chapter members stand at 96, 96 Life members stand at 53, + 3 from current jury + 1, 2010 or before + 1, 2011 or after = current Life members of = 58 Multi-year members stand at 3, 3 Of the 19 2016 jury, 3 are holdovers, 3 are Life members), and 13 are one-year jurors for renewal. 13

Other one-year members for renewal,	22
Total one year members available to renew,	<u>35</u>

96

As of July 2, 2016, the new jury brings 19 one year members.

Our measure of success this year is the number of the 35 one-year members available to renew. 16 renewals results in 96 members. We need to achieve 20 renewals from among those who are one-year members.