

Meeting Date: 10-9-2014

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**1) WELCOME**

**2) MINUTES Discussion/Approval** Correction: new member of Board should be Helene Marsh. Otherwise: Motion to adopt: Owen/Dennis - approved.

**3) COMMITTEE CHAIRS CHECK-IN (5 minute target each)**

**A. SOCIAL: NANCY**

We do need to work out the budget for events - it doesn't need to break even; we can subsidize when necessary. Il Davide did not charge for the room - now they are charging organizations to use that room. They found that all restaurants charge a room fee. Next luncheon will be Nov 12. Judge Wood can come - will talk about the Community Court.

December 7 there will be a Holiday Party at Nancy's house in Terra Linda. Bring your own drinks and an appetizer to share. Hold the date - Rich will send out final details, time and map.

**B. OUTREACH: NADINE, JEAN**

Printed applications to get more information about GJ have been printed that can be posted - with tear-offs - if interested in joining the GJ to obtain more information. FLYERS have been printed.

SENIOR FAIRE on Oct 22 - free LARABARS.

Tim is going to appear as Captain America - 1:-3:00.

He also has an Uncle Sam costume; anybody else game?

Traditional Banner - will be up behind table.

*Getting Wired* is this year's Fair theme - laptop - Red/White & Blue

Other activities: they are going to try to have community meetings - informational. Use Community Centers: Marin City, Pickleweed, SR, and Margaret Todd. All were impressed with the breadth of the approaches to the community by these community centers.

*(See notes at end of minutes for some details regarding Nadine's coup setting up a Facebook presence for us!)*

**C. IRC: John, Tom**

Doing a membership drive lately - emailed 20 - 1/2 from each of last two GJ's. discussed all the prior studies. 5 reports prior - 10 from last year's. As a courtesy, each month, Tom sends report of what studies we plan to follow up on to Jack Nixon. He has requested we hold off on 7 of the follow up reports. He gives no reason - citing confidentiality. Tom sent copy of Nixon response to committee this morning. Following extending discussion, the committee will consider defining GJA role separate from GJ activities. IRC meeting Monday 10/13 still on.

Betty asks if Rich is going to talk about IRC issues when he goes to State meeting next month. There may be some dynamic going on as far as determining which reports are OK for the GJA to study. They seem to want to keep any chance of Shadow GJ being influence to GJ.

Role of Continuity Committee is to get the required responses - meet legal requirements - not follow up on implementation of the necessary action. They may not have either time or understanding of what it really requires, Two years out - they (CC) are not responsible for those.

All agree that training for the CC members is really critical. They need to understand what they are supposed to be doing. Rich suggests we put together a paper that defines our ideas of how the relationship between GJA and CC.

Check on other counties organizations: Yolo County - San Diego City & County - charter from the city for their activities. We need to define an integrated system - seek discussion with Judge D'Opal and define The Process.

**D. COMMUNICATIONS: GENE**

Gene says:

- Rich and Nadine are doing great at learning. (Did we ever doubt it??)
- Proposed we need an official Editor to collect information in order to put in news and special articles?  
We need to consider:
  - Deadlines for information gathering.
  - How often should newsletter be published? Idea put forward: don't use the newsletter concept: send in notices and update the News Section -
  - Changes on the Contact List go to Owen.  
(See end of minutes for list of sign-ons and addresses)

**E. MEMBERSHIP: OWEN**

13 members dropped off the list on September 30 - last day. Some may have forgotten, others may be dropping out.

There are 80 voting members -  
Contact list - name+email address  
Working Member Roster - 7 or 8 people only receive this  
The only person who should receive information is Owen

Recommend Board approve lifetime memberships to people more than 10 years, who are and have been active members. Current recommendations: Reva Saper, Al Lozano, Lowell Smith  
Bring up to date - 22 Life Members in the Chapter

We recognize there are some financial issues for the group - we need more money than the dues bring in. Suggestion from Nancy: Raise dues - suggest that we put into agenda and discuss at next meeting.

Need guidelines for "awarded" Lifetime memberships.

Betty will write up a suggested policy.

**F. Orientation: Betty** - no comment

**G. Training: Catherine** - not present

**H. Board Delegates** - see President.

**4) OFFICER CHECK-INS (2 MINUTES EACH)**

**President:**

Rich will go down the first night of the State meeting in So. Cal. He would like to have clarification of what the relationship is between both state and regional associations and this chapter.

Betty - Al discussion

Owen discusses CGJA's activities and points out they (State) are the 501C3 corporation under which we come... State looks for ideas to come from the Chapters. Bill Trautman was effective leader joining talents and needs. He is missed! We vote for Directors, Directors select officers.

Gene comments. Administration and mechanics. Communications

Idea - we will invite Beate and Mike to speak about relationship of both Regionals and State organization with Chapters.

**Secretary:** - Handling all three officer jobs this month. No big deal... ;-)

**Vice President:** - (Paul on vacation)

**Treasurer:** - (Peter on vacation)

## 5) Open Mic

Tom received email that GJ wants to put a hold on Merit. We feel he may not realize that Rich is an ongoing member of the planning group for this huge project and knows the most about the history and current players. We need to find an acceptable communication method.

Info from Nancy: try search engine: *duckduckgo* instead of *Google*

Al - Said a lot of nice things about this being a group that has maintained energy and innovation. Commented on Nadine - her work on the Fair amazing - excellent. "The way this group has contributed to training is really to be commended."

## 6) After The Meeting:

MCCGJA website sign-in, and Facebook site sign-ins! Try them and See!!

**Website:** <http://www.mccgja.org>

**Facebook:** <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1560601324169704/>

After this point: you will be asked to sign in to Facebook.  
If you are not on Facebook presently - there is a sign up procedure. You will have to decide if you want to be part of this social media site.

Submitted:  
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