

**California Grand Jurors' Association**  
**Board of Directors Meeting – March 27, 2012**  
**MINUTES**

---

**Call to Order & Roll Call:**

The roll was taken and the meeting began at 7 P.M.

Present: Caranci, Hoffman, Jahr, Lewi, North, Ragan, Small, Trautman, Walker (following E-2)

Absent: Boultinghouse, Hern, Landi, Mufson

**Agenda and Comments:**

B-1 Agenda Approval: North

Action Item E-2 was moved to be heard after the Consent Items. A motion was made by Director Small, seconded by Director Trautman and passed by voice vote to approve the Agenda as amended.

B-2 Member Comment (maximum 10 minutes total)

None

**Consent Items**

C-1 Approval of 3/4/12 CGJA Board Meeting Minutes: Landi

C-2 Acknowledge Committee Minutes and reports in 3/27/12 packet: North

The Consent Agenda was approved by voice vote.

**Action Agenda**

E-2 Appointment of Larry Walker to Board filling Southern Region vacancy; term ends 2012

*President North*

**Recommended Action:** Move to accept President's appointment of Larry Walker

The motion was approved by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Caranci, Hoffman, Jahr, Lewi, North, Ragan, Small, Trautman

Absent: Boultinghouse, Hern, Landi, Mufson

**D Ad Hoc Committee Reports (as needed)**

D-8 2012 AC report – Shepp: •November 15-16 @Embassy Suites, Napa •Report Writing Workshop November 16 •Registration fee \$110-116 •\$119 room rate •Need Journal article by 3/28 •Need contract signed and deposit submitted.

**Officer and Committee Chair Reports:**

D-1 Legal & Legislative Resources Committee – Trautman: •Compendium to be ready 6/1 •Working on opinion pieces re AB622 and 1133 •Silva to send a letter to clarify intent of 1133 •Survey to sitting grand juries for action on oaths and attorneys •Other requests in the pipeline.

D-2 Public Relations Committee – Lewi: •Lots of articles for Journal •Director Lewi going on vacation and needs to put Journal out by 4/6 •Cost to print 30,000 Grand Jury System books is .42¢ with goal to

provide wide spread coverage, i.e. grand juries, courts, schools and others •New Facebook page based on timeline.

D-3 Membership Relations Committee – Mufson: •Monterey and Madera are in play for chapters •Director Lewi reported on LA Chapter resolution of problems with court •MRC is working on bringing defunct chapters back to life •Central regional postponed.

D-4 Training Committee – Caranci: •All speed ahead •Director Jahr is our “full time, non paid” employee •Booking hotels and trainers hotels •Train the Trainer was great.

D-5 Finance Committee – Ragan: •Working toward a process •Hoffman: Trainer reimbursements paid and rainy day fund established.

D-6 Awards Committee – Small: •All sub committees are staffed •New procedure approved to redact nominator’s name when submissions are circulated •Barbara Sommer will head EIR Subcommittee.

#### **D Ad Hoc Committee Reports (as needed)**

D-7 Policy Manual Edit Subcommittee – Hern, Jahr, Landi: No report; continued to May meeting.

#### **Action Agenda**

E-1 Facebook Ad Campaign  
*President North*

**Recommended Action:** Move to initiate an ongoing \$50 per month Facebook ad campaign targeted to those adult Californians with an interest in local government and politics.  
•Brisk discussion •Need to have goals •Director Small to donate \$100 for first two months  
•Should be able to judge effectiveness. President amended his motion to conduct a two month trial and then revisit the issue. The amended motion passed by the following roll call vote:  
Ayes: Caranci, Hoffman, Jahr, Lewi, North, Ragan, Small, Trautman, Walker  
Absent: Boultinghouse, Hern, Landi, Mufson

#### **Directors Brainstorming Session**

•Director Lewi – grand jury jurisdiction

#### **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 8 P.M. The next meeting is April 24, 2012.

#### **Information Items Submitted Directly by Sponsor**

H-1 Committee Roster: Landi  
H-2 Critical date reminder: North  
H-3 Budget/Actual - February, 2012: Hoffman  
H-4 Balance Sheet: Hoffman  
H-5 Letter to Judicial Council re lack of GJ info on new website: North  
H-6 March 4, 2012 Retreat Notes: Landi

Submitted by,  
Dianne Hoffman