Minutes

Attendees:

Amy Stonich
Tim Erney
Matt Foulkes
Gustavo Gonzalez
Lindsey Horn-Ortega
Alesia Hsiao
Dana Privitt
Yuritzy Randle
Bill Rodrigues
Charles Smith
Amy Vasquez
Ariel Pepper

Absentees:

Starla Barker
Nick Chen
Belinda Deines
Arlene Granadosin
Michelle Halligan
Ashley Hefner
Sanjoy Mazumdar
Stephanie Roxas

1. 8:00: Call to Order

2. January 2016 Meeting Minutes

Bill moved to adopt the January 2016 Board Retreat meeting minutes. Lindsay seconded. All approved.

3. Discussion Items/Reports

a. Budget

Charles reported that he has received input from most Board members regarding their 2016 budget requests. He will load into the budget spreadsheet and forward to Amy for review.

b. Programs

March - Amy solicited input for programs ideas. Suggestions included CEQA Guidelines updates, Newhall Ranch, and SB743. One idea is a presentation from the attorneys that recently presented to AEP in the Inland Empire.
April 22 (Earth Day) - Bike from Irvine to Muth Interpretive Center. Amy to evaluate whether there is a need for some type of insurance waiver.

May / June – Ideas are needed for these months as well. Tim suggested a presentation from Paul Martin at OCTA.

New Section Historian, Gus Gonzalez, will initiate planning for an OC history program sometime in late-summer/early-fall.

c. **AICP Workshops**

   Starla has obtained about 30 responses as potential volunteers to help instruct an AICP workshop. She plans to coordinate with the San Diego section for ideas. Other learning opportunities include distance education from the 2015 CCAPA conference in Oakland, as well as CPR workshops.

d. **Webpage Update**

   Lindsay will distribute instructions to Board members regarding webpage updates. Ocapa.org/wp-admin; username: first initial and last name; password: qwerty123

   Board members should send a photo headshot to Lindsay as soon as possible.

e. **Update Bylaws for appointed positions**

   Dana has received input from Board members regarding Bylaws revisions to consider. She is also reviewing examples from other Sections. She will distribute a consolidated set of revisions within the next few weeks for Board consideration.

f. **OC YPG Update**

   No update this month.

g. **Students: Update**

   Yuritzy advised that suggestions are being solicited from UCI students for student sessions. Examples include a Nuts & Bolts workshop, and a Private Sector Focus session.

   The student group will prepare a calendar and signup list for student volunteer opportunities at OCAPA events.

h. **Special Events**

   August 19 – A block of tickets have been reserved for the Angels vs Yankees game.
   Golf Tournament – Tim Erney will confirm the event date.
Holiday Mixer – AEP will host the 2016 event. OCAPA has budgeted $1,500 for food/venue, and $750 for raffle prizes.

i. Membership Update

Matt advised that there has been a decline in membership at both the Section (-15%) and State (-13%) levels over the past year, attributed principally to typical ebb and flow.

The Section contact list is in need of an update to confirm member information (e.g., email address, phone number). A “Spring Cleaning” email blast was distributed to solicit updates. We will also outreach via social media.

j. Awards

Current priorities are: firming up the event location, establishing award categories and deadline for nominations, and selecting jurors. Prospective locations include the Port Theater in Corona Del Mar, and the clubhouse in Rancho Mission Viejo.

Volunteers are needed to assist with all functions.

Jennifer Lilley will coordinate the silent auction.

Event date is ideally late-May.

4. Other Reports and Announcements

5. Adjourn

Next Meeting: March 18, 2016, at Kimley-Horn at 765 The City Drive, Suite 200, Orange