

A long overdue **OC Board of Supervisors Report**

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I have attended every Board of Sups' mtg. but have not faithfully reported to you. Apologies are extended but I've been overwhelmed with life, as are most Leaguers! Below are highlights to keep you informed.

**** There has been a turnover of OC management in the last ½ year**

_Frank Kim, CEO, due to retirement of M. Giancolla

_Leon Page, County Counsel, due to retirement of Nick Crisos

_Larry Serafini, John Wayne Airport, due to retirement of Alan Murphy

_Performance Auditor position was eliminated.

_The Office of Internal Review, (OIR) presently under Steve Connolly, is undergoing a review and a probable change within the month. This office was established after the death of John Chamberlain in the OC jail and ongoing investigations by the Fed. Dept. of Justice.

_The Office of Internal Audit, under Dr. Peter Hughes, is now combined with the Office of Auditor-Controller, Eric Woolery. The Internal Audit office was established after the County bankruptcy. This combo is due to a legislative bill from Tom Daly, written only for OC. He had received a scathing audit review when he was OC Clerk-Recorder. Much anger and discussion over this need to combine.

_There is discussion as to who/which office should now be in charge of the Fraud Hotline! The Office of Internal Audit had conducted it.

**** As of Aug.1, 2015 the OC Food Inspection will increase fees and will inspect sites on 3 levels. (1.) At least annually inspect once the sites with pre-packaged foods. (2.) At least annually inspect twice sites such as fast food, donut and coffee shops. (3.) At least annually inspect three times restaurants, local diners, steak houses, catering. To keep us informed **there is an app** that will allow you to search restaurants around you and see all currently closed. You can even have inspection reports mailed to you! Go to www.ocfoodinfo.com**

****Two Ad Hoc Committees are being held in August. One concerns the development of a different type of Office of Internal Review. The other is discussing whether there should be an OC Ethics Commission or the**

county should use Fair Political Practices Commission. Yes, I am attending.

**Nine OC psychiatrists relayed to the BOS that they are poorly funded and staffed! One stated that her patients' waiting list is 3 months long; another told of the 3 psychiatrists for the ~6,000 OC jail inmates compared to LA's almost 40 for ~15,000 inmates. An Anaheim dr. said 4 doctors had quit in 8 months and none have been replaced! A Santa Ana clinic had only one Spanish-speaking psychiatrist. Their salaries are below LA and Riverside Counties. The BOS then approved another 3 year \$677,529 contract for UCI interns to work with them for 3-month in-services. The doctors were protesting that they didn't mind the UCI contract but that there was no continuity offered to critical mentally ill clients! The BOS asked staff to research and get back to them! ☹

**The Brd. of Supervisors discussed at length the individual city contracts for their law enforcement with the OC Sheriff Dept. Supervisor Nelson once again said he definitely disapproved of such contracts being for only one year at a time, giving examples of problems such as pension, equipment, etc. if the contract is not renewed for more years. CEO Kim stated he preferred longer terms also, but there was no strong motivation given for longer contracts.

** This single August 4, 2015 session spent \$52,831,273 in decisions! If you'd like to attend one of these powerful meetings, I'll meet you there! They start at 9:30 am. See me for details. Wshaf6676@aol.com ☺