

**CGA Board of Directors Meeting
Agenda for July 22, 2017
Bolado Park, Hollister, CA**

- I. Opening & Introductory Comments – President Timmi Lemem

- II. Reports:
 - A. Presidents report – Timmi Lemem
 - B. Vice Presidents report – Nathan Rowles
 - C. Secretary’s report – Cherie Hohlbauch
 - 1C. Minutes of Board of Directors Meeting 2-25-17
 - D. Treasurers report – Dennis Cole
 - E. Governing Board report – Rodger Odom
 - F. State Office report – Phyllis Odom

- III. Committee Reports:
 - A. Master Judge Advisory Committee (MAC) – Dianna Malley
 - B. State Show Committee – Rodger Odom & Rick Long

- IV. Old Business (Voting)
 - A. Sally Rivera – BoD Policy Manual Revisions (postponed from 2-25-17)

- V. New Business (Voting)
 - A. Shannon Rahn - Currently the Board of Governors Procedure Manual states:

Section 5.5, b) Any charges for any violation may be filed in writing by a member in good standing of CGA and witnessed by another member in good standing 12 years of age or older. Such charges shall be given to the CGA State Office who will forward them to the Rules Chairperson. Should the complaint be against a Master Judge, the charge will be forwarded to the Board of Governors. The appropriate body will schedule a hearing according to section 5.2 (hearing procedure).

Section 5.6 Hearing Process a) Following the filing of said complaint, a hearing will be scheduled and the accused will be given not less than thirty (30) days notice of the time and date for the hearing. b) The Rules Chairperson shall preside during all suspension hearing proceedings. Should the accused Judge be a Master Judge, the hearing shall be conducted by the Board of Governors. c) The accused Judge shall have an opportunity to give rebuttal on charges at said meeting either in person or in writing. d) No hearing proceedings shall be based more than once on the same evidence.

Proposed verbiage, with additions in bold and deletions using strike out:

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Section 5.6, Hearing Process a) Following the filing of said complaint, ***the accused will be formally advised of the charges***, a hearing will be scheduled and the accused will be given not less than thirty (30) days notice of the time and date for the hearing. b) The Rules Chairperson shall preside during all suspension hearing proceedings. ***Should the accused Judge be a Master Judge, the hearing shall be conducted by the Board of Governors Directors.*** c) The accused Judge shall have an opportunity to give rebuttal on charges at said meeting either in person or in writing. d) No hearing proceedings shall be based more than once on the same evidence.

Discussion:

Currently, if the accused is a Master Judge, the hearing shall be conducted by the Board of Governors (BOG). At the present time, each BOG member is also a MAC member, including the President. How can an “accused” Master Judge have a fair and unbiased hearing when those making a charge are also presiding over the charge? The Board of Directors would better serve as a fair and unbiased hearing panel in this situation. This change will help preserve the integrity and fairness of the procedures within this organization.

VI. District Reports – All Districts

VII. Other issues, concerns, & comments (non-Voting)

VIII. Next meeting date

IX. Adjournment