

GWPCA Board meeting  
March 13, 2012  
Minutes

Present on telephone conference call: Garnett Persinger, Liz Dixon, Erika Brown, Chuck Casanova, Ray Calkins, Bob Perry, Lori Sargent

President Calkins called the meeting to order at 8:40pm EST

**Approval of minutes from January meeting:** Garnett moved to accept, Bob seconded, minutes approved unanimously

**President's Report**

Angie will continue doing the newsletter until a new editor is found. E-mails were sent to the Northern California club about needing financial report by 12/31/12. We should add this need to the Nationals manual. Talked to AKC about by-laws wording. Expressed our dislike for the wording on supplying means to take part in board meetings. The Club cannot afford to supply computers, etc. to someone who doesn't have equipment or means to participate on the Board. The By-laws committee will discuss.

**Secretary's Report –**

- Received e-mail from Patricia M. Cruz from Heart Of The Plains KC regarding a letter sent to the GWPCA delegate asking for her vote to the AKC Board as a delegate
- Received e-mail regarding Crufts Eligibility Certificates
  - The Kennel Club, England, has designated the AKC/Eukanuba National Championship as well as one designated AKC Parent Club National Specialty in each eligible breed as the United States qualifying shows for Crufts. Recipients of Best of Breed, Best of Opposite, Awards of Merit, and Selects, and if offered at these events, Best Bred-by-Exhibitor, are eligible for entry in Crufts as a U.S. International qualifier.

**Treasurer's Report –** Erika sent an e-mail with financial reports to Board

- The bank she uses is charging extra fees on the GWPCA checking account
- Erika looking into other banks.
- Garnett moved to accept the Treasurer's Report, Bob seconded. Treasurer's Report approved unanimously
- General Fund- \$17,292.35  
Emergency Rescue Fund- \$3,883.24  
All Star- \$1,207.73  
Maturity- \$527.21  
Field Trial Supplemental Trophy Fund- \$1,794.00

**Committee Reports:**

SEAC – no report

JEC – no report

FEAC – Liz

- finished voting on National field trial judges, sent names to Randy Berry to contact them for availability.

## Directors' reports:

### Midwest – Chuck

- GWPCI field trial & Hunt tests are coming up,
- NE Club walking trial held recently, hosting Gundog Classic again – Apr. 28-29
- Courtney Bastian won Best of Breed at Crufts with Timo.

### West – Bob:

- Cindy Heiller sent report on 2012 Nationals progress

### East – Garnett

- Bernee's Louie was awarded #1 GWP in Gundog Championship

## Rescue – Garnett

- balance of account \$8819.35, \$1500 adoption fees to come in yet
- transportation is biggest expense
- 11 dogs currently in foster, 8 adopted, one of the rescues had very high medical bills and was signed over to the Emergency Vet Clinic as Rescue could not afford to cover the costs. The Clinic subsequently found a home for her.

## Bylaws

- AKC response to inquiry regarding providing equipment to prospective board members
- AKC said that wording can be done that we can live with; committee will work on it.

## **Old Business:**

### 2012 Nationals

- Cindy's report
- If we decide to do electronic mailing of premiums we will need to advertise in Wire News, website and in Wire e-mails. We can mail premiums by request.
- May be able to include premiums with Wire News to save postage. Erika will get cost of adding to Wire News.
- Bob moved we table discussion for e-mail. Liz seconded. Motion approved unanimously.

### 2013 Nationals – Chuck

- The Nebraska Club is getting committees together,
- Locating accommodations – Univ. of Nebraska home game the same weekend so hotels will have limited availability

### 2014 Nationals – Garnett

- Eastern Nationals poses problems with finding suitable field trial grounds to run an hour stake
- discussion on having it at same place every year, someplace centrally located, where we could hold a show too.
- The membership should be surveyed through the Wire-News and/ or the E-Wire News to obtain member input on going to a central site.

## Open positions:

- GWP-U Coordinator

Yearbook – table until next meeting

ROM requirements

- Sean wants to put something in writing for next month's meeting.

SEAC - Discuss Recommendations; Audrey's e-mail

- SEAC Committee includes Judy Cheshire, Jody Quesnell, Kay Braddock, Pam Baak, Joan Payton, Courtney Bastian, Audrey Meinke, Christi Chism, Betsy Watkins
- *National Sweepstakes classes be limited to GWPs 6-18 months of age and classes divided (for dogs and bitches) as follows: 6-9 mo., 9-12 mo., 12-15 mo. and 15-18 mo.*
  - Motion made to accept recommendation above by Garnett; Chuck seconded; motion approved unanimously
- *The Show Futurity and Maturity each be run by committee.*
  - Field Futurity needs to be part of discussion
  - Financial reports need to go to Board
  - Need to have more than one person knowledgeable of processes
  - Table discussion until we get more info from all chairs
- *Annual Awards be instituted for top Novice, Advanced and Excellent Rally dogs.*
  - Motion made by Lori to accept recommendation above; Garnett seconded; motion approved unanimously

**New Business:**

New members

- Bob motioned we accept all new members listed; Garnett seconded; motion approved unanimously

Chuck e-mailed clubs in his district for input. One suggestion resulted:

- To have the National annual meeting put on webcast for those who can't attend
  - Have person look into and get back to us

Date of next Board meeting: Tuesday, April 10, 2012 8:30pm EST

Adjourn 10:56 pm EST  
Respectfully submitted,  
Lori Sargent, Secretary