

GWPCA Board meeting
June 12, 2013
Minutes

9:06 pm DST

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

Guest: Pat Laurans

Pat Laurans –

- task force to help Oklahoma tornado victims
 - Recently we had tornadoes in Oklahoma those tornadoes brought to mind the great need for emergency disaster response.
 - After Katrina AKC/CAR talked to the state of North Carolina and then contributed the money necessary to make and supply the first two fully stocked Companion Animal Medical Emergency trailers. We need to replicate this effort for as many states as possible so we can help protect dogs in the United States who are involved in disaster situations.
 - An idea to have a program like this was thought up and given to me to implement and lead. I created a Task Force that had its first meeting on June 9, 2013, the Sunday before the delegate meeting. This group of individuals from the Delegate Body, AKC/Car and AKC Board determined that this was a worthwhile and viable project. We discovered that these trailers would need to be fully stocked with what animals would need, such as, crates food and water bowls leashes, a generator, a power washer, plastic sheeting and means of identification for both dogs and owners. A sample of one was brought to our meeting so we could view it.
 - These kinds of trailers can be brought to a disaster site and set up in very short order, If there had been one near Moore, Oklahoma it would have taken AKC/CAR 30 minutes to get it up and rolling rather than the 72 hours it took for AKC/CAR Volunteers to gather the needed supplies.
 - This is a good idea for all communities and for the AKC. It is the task force's intent to have these vehicles paid for with monies donated by AKC clubs of all kinds: parent, local specialty, all breed, agility, performance, and obedience clubs. We will also be looking for grants as well as, Corporate Sponsors. Some matching funds, up to a total of \$250,000 will be provided by AKC/CAR
 - This is a wonderful idea. It will help dogs, cats and all of us.

Report on black/white issue – Pat Laurans

- Ray commented that the phrase “regardless of color” was a potential problem; people may take this too literally.
- Pat explained that it was only a phrase that was used in the meeting and, thus the meeting description, it was not intended to go into the standard.

Approval of minutes from May meeting – Add eastern & western directors, secretary, vice president. Chuck made a motion made to approve with corrections; Garnett seconded; motion unanimously approved.

President's Report

- Flyer to go into the next Wire News about thyroid clinic on Sunday at 2013 Nationals; getting break on cost on kits from AKC
- 2013 National Field Trial judges have been approved.

Secretary's Report - none

Treasurer's Report -

- General fund balance: \$19,299.81
- Purina money to be "for the betterment of the breed" – half of it is going to health fund
- Pay Pal up and running, has been used already; need to decide on charging a fee because Pay Pal charges a fee for every transaction; \$3/transaction
- After March 31st all members paying dues have to be voted on as per By-Laws; not going to get back issues of Wire News if pay dues late.

Committee Reports:

SEAC Report - from Judy Cheshire

- votes have been counted for the 2015 National Specialty judge. I know that you each have received a copy. The first and second place choices were only separated by one vote. I think that indicates that either of them would be very well received. I passed the following by the SEAC and they approved:
 - in order to give both the first and second place choices an opportunity to judge our National Specialty (quite an honor for a judge as opposed to the Regional), why not have the first choice (Sharon Pinkerton) do 2015 and the second choice (Ruth-Ann Freer-Godfrey) do 2016. We can then ask Michael Faulkner to do the 2015 Regional and Bonnie Threlfall to do the 2016 Regional.
 - Since it is always problematic to get the SEAC members together to come up with names and bios for judges and a herculean task to rally the troops and get our members to vote, this would give us two years completed. Let me know if this is acceptable.
 - Discussion: this is not the agreed upon procedure. Liz makes motion that we stay with past procedures, Chuck seconded, 1 abstain. Motion approved.

JEC Report - from Judy Cheshire

- JE for Nationals is planned for Friday morning, October 4, 2013. We have a place to do it, however we need a projector as the Lancaster Event Center is not able to supply one. I will check with Laura Reeves and Robin Nelson to see if any of the local club members can bring one to use. If not, I would suggest that the GWPCA consider purchasing one for JE use. There is supposed to be an annual JE budget of \$1,000 which is rarely used. I will be revising the JE materials and will have to have them printed, but I can't imagine that the cost will come close to \$1,000. Let me know if the Board would approve the purchase of a small, lightweight projector. I have not priced them, but I'm thinking the cost would be approximately \$500. Well within the money that is set aside for JE each year.
- Also, I need to know asap the dates and location of 2015/2016. I know that there is a committee working on centralization and it will really help with pinning down judges if we can determine places and dates. Also, if the GWPCA decides to go with a cluster of all-breed shows, we need to get our judges' names to them in the event that they can use them on their panel and share expenses (Nebraska firms up their judging panel two years in advance!).
- Discussion: How about renting one? Still need a laptop to run the video.

FEAC Report

- Voted on Field Trial judges for Nationals.
- Motion made by Chuck to accept John Moreland & Stan Truzka; Garnett seconded; Motion unanimously approved

Directors' reports:

Midwest - Chuck: recent hunt tests held by local club had good entry

West – Bob: He will meet with Laura Reeves this weekend on centralization committee; OR club had recent field trial that was well attended.

East – Garnett: DelVal Club going to hold water test

Rescue – from Heidi Baumbarger

- current balance: \$3,067.79
- 8 dogs currently in foster care
 - 4 waiting to come into the program (in boarding or waiting to be picked up)
 - 3 dogs in long term foster care
 - 13 dogs adopted
- Didn't know if I should include Northern CA Rescue's dogs, as I have been taking applications on them, but here is what I know of hers:
 - 4 that we helped get adopted
 - 3 currently in foster

Wire News – from Diane Turner

- After a rocky start with the spring issue, the summer issue of Wire News is well underway and shaping up nicely. We have a good deal of Club Business and Nationals information to be included this issue, along with some wonderful and varied articles about our dogs in the field and GWPs working in different venues.
- The advertising for this issue is not coming in as well as Adam had hoped. Ad deadline is June 15th so please plan to support the magazine with your ads and remind your friends to do so too.
- Last issue we ended up with a deficit. Advertising revenue \$3830.00 and the total expenses ran \$4397.83.
- Our graphic artist, Lacey Wilson, has raised her price by \$1 per page.
- Adam is currently reviewing the discount policy. In the past the magazine has offered a discount when a dog finishes a title. We believe that the intention of this policy was to celebrate the dog and its achievement, however in the past these discounts have been used for other advertising purposes. We feel that we need adhere to the "spirit" of the policy.
 - This came to light when one of our yearly advertisers recently finished several different dogs' titles and wished to apply all of the "discounts" toward the advertising bill. Had Adam allowed that to happen, the numerous discounts would have entirely cancelled the advertising revenue from this advertiser and the club would have been responsible for paying the cost of printing.
 - We feel we need to make the policy clear and that the discount amounts need to be reviewed and a standard amount set.
- We anticipate that the summer issue will be at the printers during the second week of July.
- I would ask that Erika forward the general mailing list with the new members to JPA by July 1st. We will again provide the advertiser's list to Erika as soon as the ads are in.
- The autumn (judges') issue content deadline is August 1, 2013 and the ad deadline for that issue is August 15th.

Old Business:

2013 Nationals

- Nothing new as per Chuck

2014 Nationals

- Nothing new

2015 Nationals

- Need location

Nominating Committee – Chuck

Vice President – Bob

Secretary – Lori

Western Director – Cindy Heiller

Eastern Director – Garnett

- Taking nominations until Sept.15
- Motion by Liz that we accept the nominating committee’s recommendations; Erika seconded; motion unanimously approved.

Revision of Versatility Program

- Retroactive date caused problems
- New versatility criteria should start Jan. 1, 2014
- Garnett made a motion to amend revisions to extend old criteria; Liz seconded; motion unanimously approved.

ROM Update

- We have forming a ROM committee with a member from each region. This way decisions and ideas can be shared and discussed amongst a group of people, rather than just one. I will remain the ROM Chair, and have at least 4 additional members.
- Changes need to be made to the ROM program asap, so as soon as members are finalized we will start discussion.

Open positions:

- GWP-U Coordinator – Cindy Heiller volunteered

New memberships

- Garnett moved we accept new members; Liz seconded; motion unanimously approved.

Joyce	Wilkinson
Vern	Grimslid
Suzanne	Oslander
Thomas	Snyder
Lisa	Vickery
Heather	Brennan
Nikol	Litwin
Lisa	Minnick
Amber	Duff
Henry	Bird
Billy	Rodriguez Jr
Marlynn	Jensen
Ashley	Trotter
Mary	Spies
Al	Brazdzionis
Steven	Neil
Lori	Patterson
Nancy	Theys

New Business:

None

Next meeting

July 10 8:30 pm DST

Bob made motion to adjourn; Garnett seconded; motion unanimously approved.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30pm DST