

GWPCA Board meeting
Sept. 11, 2013
Minutes

President Calkins called the meeting to order at 8:42 pm EDT

Present: Ray Calkins, Bob Perry, Garnett Persinger, Liz Dixon, Lori Sargent, Erika Brown, Chuck Casanova; Guests: Pat Laurans, Judy Cheshire, Laura Reeves

Approval of minutes from August meeting – Bob motioned for approval of August meeting minutes; Garnett seconded, motion approved unanimously

Pat Laurans –

AKC Reunite (was CAR); AKC Pet Disaster Relief –

- Fundraising underway to buy & stock trailers with crates for 65 dogs, microchips, generator, leashes;
- trailers will be given to relief agencies in areas where disasters occur and will be located near rescue shelters established for people;
- can be used to house dogs until people identify them;
- clubs that have donated will have their logos on trailers;
 - The GWPCA logo needs to be at least 300 dpi. Wording needs to be re-done to be more clear.
 - Erika said the logo needs to be updated permanently for other uses; Bob moved to clarify logo/more compatible with current technology, Garnett seconded, motion was approved unanimously. Original should be archived. Send to Lynn Calkins.
 - Fund raising – different sized logos for different donation amounts; Pat would like the GWPCA to donate \$1000
 - request donations from membership at National meeting; Pat will match amount to get to \$2500; we should have Santas with wirehair heads for sale at Nationals to raise money
 - Clubs have to bring trailer out at least twice a year- responsible dog owner day, fair, etc.
- Electronic balloting
 - Effective September 1, 2013, unless the laws of a state prohibit the use of electronic balloting in general or for specific purposes, Parent clubs may conduct elections, votes on breed standard revisions, bylaw amendments and any other specific questions a club's board of directors shall determine, via electronic balloting. Such balloting must be conducted by an independent organization which specializes in electronic balloting. A member must sign a written authorization agreeing to this method of balloting, which is revocable, which agrees to release the club from any liability should the ballot be received late or not received by the member, due to circumstances beyond the club's control. Members not providing written authorization will continue to receive all materials via USPS. Clubs wishing to adopt this method of balloting must add the appropriate language to the applicable sections of their bylaws the next time other bylaw work is considered.
 - The GWPCA is incorporated in Michigan. Has to be legal in Michigan (Lori will check on laws in Michigan); Mike Liosis is AKC contact.
- Wire News
 - People have expressed concerns on color article in recent issue;
 - Judy: every year at least one JE person has been contacted to write an article for the judges' issue of Wire News, not this year;
 - should not be sent to all the judges because of this article that is misleading; not the opinion of the Club – not written as an opinion;
 - Pat: if it hasn't gone to print, the article should be removed and information on Nationals should be added.

- Ray has contacted Diane Turner about the article and she is willing to remove the article
- Erika will check to see if issue has gone to print yet; if not, she will ask that it be stopped

President's Report – Spoke with Purina about donations, Gail Inman is Purina representative. We now have contract for 2013 & 2014 for \$3000 each year; Futurity is not a non-regular event. It is a stand-alone event held with Nationals. The Futurities can have regular ribbons if they don't have "AKC" on them. We need to elect a chairman of FEAC.

Secretary's Report - I received a blanket approval letter from AKC. It will serve as approval for local club events for 1, 2, or 3 years. Garnett moved we approve for 1 year; Liz seconded; motion approved unanimously; Lori will respond to AKC.

Treasurer's Report - General Fund balance is \$17,439.36; Other account information was e-mailed;

Committee Reports:

SEAC Report - none

JEC Report – none

FEAC Report – need chair

Directors' reports:

Midwest - none

West - none

East - none

Rescue - Humane Fund from AKC; Garnett will speak to Heidi about applying for funds for rescue.

Wire News –

- due to the inappropriate article – remove article & replace it with Nationals info or other info;
- Bob moved to remove the online version, Garnett seconded; motion approved unanimously;
- Erika will contact the printer to see if it has been printed yet. Bob moved that, in light of recent article, the BOD needs to approve issues before they're printed or put online for the foreseeable future; Chuck seconded; motion approved unanimously

Old Business:

2013 Nationals – need to sell more raffle tickets according to Bernee Brawn; Chuck had meeting with all chairs; things are progressing; lacking clubs to do hospitality;

2014 Nationals – nothing new

2015 Nationals – Bob & Laura Reeves will visit grounds on the way home from Nationals

Standard Review Committee –

- The board entertained the motion to approve the national club members that Garnett has submitted to the BOD to review our standard as to the accepted color of the GWP. Erika made the motion, Lori seconded and the motion passed unanimously

New memberships – Erika moved that we accept new members as listed; Garnett seconded; motion approved unanimously

New Members

Philip	Stanger			6000 Olentangy River Rd	Worthington	OH
Frank	Funderburk	Ann	Summerfelt	1113 Chesapeake Dr	Stevensville	MD
Robert	Marks	Kathy	Marks	7015 Dove Cross Loop	Lakeland	FL
Paul	Wehking	Kristin	Wehing	6380 Stockwell Dr	Marshall	WI
Howard	Huber III			4610 W. Hibbard Rd.	Owosso	MI

ROM Committee – no report

New Business:

Electronic balloting – Bob motioned we table until we can examine it; Garnett seconded; motion approved unanimously

Lifetime achievement award from AKC –

- every licensed club has a vote on each area;
- Votes need to be submitted no later than Oct. 11;
- Three categories: Conformation, Companion, Performance
- Nominees: Conformation – Dr. Thomas Davies, Pat Hastings, Bill Holbrook; Companion – Lynn Eggers, Bill Iwamoto, Art Twiss; Performance – Dr. Ray Calkins, Katherine Simonds, Jeannie Wagner
- Bob recommends Bill Holbrook for conformation; Garnett recommends Lynn Eggers for the companion category; Garnett moved we vote for Ray, Bill & Lynn; Lori seconded; motion approved, Ray abstained; Lori will submit our votes

Next meeting – at Nationals Oct. 3 after Judges' Ed at 6:00pm CDT

Garnett moved to adjourn, Chuck seconded; motion approved unanimously

Meeting ended at 11:12pm EDT.

Respectfully submitted,
Lori Sargent
Secretary