

# German Wirehaired Pointer Club of America

## Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Thursday, March 19

8:30 p.m. EST

Board members present: Ray, Angie, Jodi, Bob, Cindy & William. Erika absent.

Meeting called to order 8:37 EST

Approval of minutes. All in favor.

1. Report of President
  - a. Received complete transcript of FT Event hearing from 2014 Nat'l
2. Report of Secretary
  - a. Rescue Chair contact info sent to AKC for inclusion on Rescue E-list.
  - b. Registration statistics for color of dogs registered. Jodi to send request to AKC
  - c. AKC requesting a name for "breeder ambassador" who can be a contact to share info about GWPs (*recommend someone active on social media*)
    - i. Angie to send a request via Facebook asking for volunteer.
  - d. Approved events
    - i. Central Oregon Fall FT Sept. 19 (corrected date)
    - ii. Sea-Tac FT March 21-22
    - iii. Fort Detroit Specialty July 3
3. Report of Treasurer
4. Committee Reports

*All committee chairs have been asked to verify all committee members are GWPCA members*

  - b. Bylaws (Chuck Casanova)
    - a. I was informed that the BOD would be discussing additional changes by e-mail and would notify me of the desired changes. The Committee has discussed and is willing to assist in the additional changes.
    - b. Please inform of the Section to be changed and the new information you want included. We will prepare and get a draft back to the BOD.
  - c. CHIC (Robin Nelson)
    - a. Still waiting on 100<sup>th</sup> CHIC
    - b. I am writing to request the Board's consideration regarding sponsorship of my attendance at the 2015 AKC Canine Health Foundation National Parent Club Health Conference. The biennial event will be held in St Louis, MO the first weekend in August.

It is my understanding AKC Parent Clubs can send one representative at the discounted rate of \$250 which covers lodging Friday and Saturday nights and meals Saturday AM through Sunday noon. Hopefully, Ray has received the Parent Club's invitation with the registration link. I will gladly pay for my travel and an extra night's lodging since the conference begins

early Friday afternoon. I was fortunate enough to attend this conference in 2011 and very sorry to miss it in 2013.

Certainly, since I have had the opportunity to attend in the past, I will understand if someone else would like a chance to attend the conference. Topics include: osteosarcoma, lymphoma, personalized cancer treatment, \*\*bloat, Inflammatory Bowel Disease, nutritional management of epilepsy, degenerative myelopathy, and cranial cruciate ligament conformation scores to name a few.

Thanks for your consideration, Robin

- d. AKC Delegate (Pat Laurans) No Report
- e. FEAC (Liz Dixon)
  - a. BOD approved the slate of judges for the '15 national. I haven't heard yet from Mark Smith the final decision of who is going to judge what.
  - b. Once the dust settles, we have a couple of items to discuss, but I had wanted to wait until we got the judges selection done.
  - c. I have applied for the trial online, I am working with AKC to get the stakes correct.
- f. JEC (Judy Cheshire)
  - a. We were asked at the last minute (3 days prior) to do a seminar in Louisville, KY. Unfortunately, there was no one prepared to do it without adequate time to prepare. Also have a request to do a seminar in Texas in October. Will work on that and keep the BOD updated.
- g. SEAC (vacant) *see note under old business*
- h. Rescue (Suzanne Oslander)
  - a. 3 female GWP just entered rescue. We have a waiting list of approved adopters. New logo has been completed. Website is being updated.
- i. ROM (Courtney Bastian)
  - a. Waiting to hear back from the board regarding our most recent follow up email.
- j. Standards Review (Garnett Persinger)
  - a. We are still working on wording
- k. Versatility (Greg Dubois) nothing to report
- l. Wire News (Taylor Marshall/Gabrielle Literman/Angie Johnson)
  - a. Final proof was approved and the Wirenews should be hitting your mailboxes soon!
  - b. Breakdown of costs- we will have the costs on the next report.
  - c. We are always looking for article and photo contributors. If you know someone or would like to contribute please send them our way.
- m. Wire Mail (Steve Kreuser/Angie Johnson)
- n. Webmaster (Angie Johnson)
  - a. As of April 1, 2015 I am resigning as Website Manager. I will work with anyone wanting to take it over and will supply all the web pages, pictures and etc on a disk. The server will still be hosted by Dan Staber. The website was designed using Frontpage software and I can supply a copy of that software, but my recommendation is to convert the existing pages to another software application, as Frontpage has not been supported by Microsoft for years now.

Until a new website designer is found I will still update the breeder listing and stud dog directory as needed for our members. I also committed to adding a judges education piece to the website and will honor that commitment.

Angie will

- o. Legislative Liaison (Jodi Quesnell)
  - a. Bill in congress to allow dogs and cats on Amtrak trains

## 5. Directors Reports

Midwest and East Coast directors sent out welcome letters to new members in their areas. New West Coast members will be sent welcome letters soon. New members should receive the next Wirenews issue, and will be included on Wiremail list. All members are encouraged to contact their director with any questions.

- a. West – Dr. Cindy Heiller
  - Sea-Tac hunt test scheduled this weekend on 3/21-3/22
  - Central Oregon
  - Oregon planning supported entry at Canby shows this summer
  - N. Cal double-double hunt test was cancelled; meeting scheduled next month
  - S. Cal
- b. Midwest – William Bastian
  - E. Nebraska
  - Wisconsin
  - Twin Cities
  - Illinois
  - GWP club of Iowa
- c. East – Angie Johnson
  - Sun Coast GWP Club putting on FT using GSP club license. Mentoring with another club for FT
  - Fort Detroit Annual awards banquet 3/28.
  - Del Val Club

## 6. Old Business

- a. Standard Review Committee
- b. ROM
  - a. Motion to have ROM committee create a “Final” document that incorporates all of the changes discussed, and then the document sent to members as a constant contact survey to membership. Motion fails.
  - b. Board recommends that CHIC is not required for a ROM sire or Dam. 5 for, 1 against. Motion passes.
  - c. Board to request ROM put together a final document for approval.
- c. Rescue Funds o.k. to send
  - a. Rescue chair has requested Rescue funds from Nat’ls be sent to Rescue fund.
  - b. Motion to release 2014 Nat’ls Raffle & Auction Rescue funds to rescue. All in favor. Motion passes.
- d. National Events Manual

- a. Judy to work on revision??
- e. SEAC
  - b. Email sent to SEAC asking their opinion, and they all seemed open to the idea of modeling the SEAC after the FEAC, with representatives from clubs approved for specialties.
  - c. Most current members who aren't representing their local club would fit into "at large" positions as follows:

Laura Myles, Futurity "at large"  
 Audrey Meinke, Maturity "at large"  
 Kay Braddock, Obedience "at large"  
 Pam Baak, Agility "at large"  
 Joan Payton, So. Cal club or West Coast "expert"  
 Betsy Watkins, Midwest "expert"  
 Courtney Bastain, Wisconsin Club

- i. I recommend contacting each local club asking for a SEAC representative. Then have the SEAC select their own chair?*
    - ii. Directors will contact their local clubs licensed for specialties, asking them to designate a representative. Jodi will collect the names and then set-up a meeting for the committee to select a chair.*
  - f. New Perpetual trophy for Best of Breed donated by Laura Myles
    - a. Will be "traveling trophy" similar to trophy for championships, futurity, puppy stake, etc. Winner responsible for having it at following Nat'l, and for engraving their dog's name.
    - b. Initial cost for preparing trophy: aprox \$500
    - c. BOD is in favor of this trophy. Waiting on photo to make a final vote.

#### 7. 2014 Nationals

- a. Field Trial Committee hearing update
  - i. AKC nullified the 2014 GWPCA field trial committee's decision regarding the alleged misconduct that occurred during the 2014 GWPCA National Championship stake.
  - ii.* Board to draft a letter to AKC voicing concerns that GWPCA Field Trial Event Committee decision wasn't handled properly.
  - iii. Ray to verify the Board can make the transcripts available to members.

#### 8. 2015 Nationals

- a. Fort Robinson Planning
  - i. Ray acting Nat'l events Coordinator
  - ii. Birds?
  - iii. Logo
    - 1. Sent to Kristen Weiking. She will use the same merchandise company again.
- b. Field Trial
  - i. Secretary Sue Mueller
  - ii. Becky Smith will help with Hospitality & set-up Purina dinner
  - iii. Ray will be on FT Committee
  - iv. Field Trial Chair Mark Smith
- c. Hunt Test
  - i. Chair Leo Bowman
  - ii. Hunt Test Secretary ???

- d. Specialty Show Events
    - i. Chair (Laura Myles)
    - ii. Show Secretary: waiting for proposal from Susan Gordon
  - e. Obedience Chair—Ann Kostishak
    - i. Obedience equipment will be rented from the Central Wyoming KC
  - f. Trophy Chair Sue Degraw
    - i. Angie will help with getting show donation
    - ii. Ray will work on FT trophy donations
  - g. Jodi's updated Report of Fort Robinson
    - i. Erika paid deposit for reservation to State Park for Buffalo Soldier Barracks and Mare Barn
    - ii. Laura requested on Adobe for Judges lodging; may need one additional room in Lodge.
    - iii. All Nat'ls attendees will need to pay for a State Park Visitors pass upon arrival at Fort Robinson. \$5/day or \$25/year. No senior passes available. Permits are "per vehicle" not per person.
  - h. Rocky Mtn GWP Club would like to host BBQ and "A" Match
  - i. Hospitality/Banquet (Miranda Wagoner/Jodi Quesnell, Hospitality Co-Chairs)
    - i. Miranda and I will work on making arrangements for meals. Considering a "food truck/concession stand" as an option to catered breakfasts and lunches.
    - ii. Fort Robinson restaurant will be closed.
    - iii. Becky Smith to make arrangements for Purina Dinner
9. 2016 Nationals
- a. Oregon
    - i.* Host Motel in Maupin or The Dalles
    - ii. Dog show at Fairgrounds at Tyge Valley
    - iii. Field Trial at Tyge Valley
      - 1. Ray will contact FT chair for update
  - b. Dates?
  - c. Show judge has not been notified; waiting for dates.
  - d. Bob to check on All-breed agility group.
10. 2017 Nationals
- a. Wisconsin?
  - b. FT Grounds are being improved and expanded. FT grounds managers are in full support.
  - c. Hunt Test grounds are close to the host motel; water test can be held at the host motel
  - d. Host Motel has been selected—Olympia Resort.
  - e. Dates?
11. 2018 Nationals
- a. E. Coast members have formed a committee to prepare a bid for 2018 Nat'ls
  - b. Either Virginia, or Mingo, OH and shows in PA
  - c. Will have proposal at next meeting

## 12. Election to Membership

John & Janet Sieweke	2461 Highland Golf Course Drive, Conyers, GA 30013	770-639-2248
Dane Smith & Mark Harrington	132 Scenic CT, Mount Bethel, PA 18343	904-334-2944
Richard & Patricia Hirneisen	209 Chesterfield Ave, Birmingham, MI 48009	248-258-4884
Linda & Scott Azevedo	832 Birch Ave, Los Banos, CA 93035	209-826-9616
Don & Kelly Erlandson	2842 275th Street, St. Croix Falls, WI 54024	715-488-2217
Jan Monson	29500 US Highway 212 lot 304, Gettysburg, SD 57442	

All approved.

## 13. New Business

- a. Distribute GWPCA Membership Booklet in next Wire News, and expenses to be paid by the club. All in favor.
- b. AKC CHF Conference.
  - i. GWPCA to designate Robin as our representative, and pay her \$250 fee. All approved.
- c. Cindy to send a card to Mildred Revell from the Board.
- d. BOD to send \$500 Rescue Raffle Seed Money to Sylvia. All approved.

14. Next Meeting: Thursday April 23

15. Adjournment