

German Wirehaired Pointer Club of America

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Thursday December 15, 2016

8:30 p.m. EST

Meeting called to order at 8:42pm EST; all members present

Approval of September Minutes; all approved.

1. Report of President

Thinking about my final president's report, I would like to use the AKC Parent Club Self Study Criteria to help review the our past, our present and our future.

Club organization and structure is strong : Erika picked up the Rescue trailer scam and we were not out \$5000. We worked with Tom Lococo and got the Futurity monies back from the state of Wisconsin. Chuck and I will get the bylaws put together

Membership and Awards: Obviously the AKC is pushing their Breeder of Merit and Junior programs. As people are drawn in all directions, participation in dog clubs, local and national is a challenge but I believe that by rotating the nationals and combining the events (conformation, obedience and field) to one time and location, we offer an opportunity to the membership that would not be available if we all met in Kansas every year. This year, members of the west coast clubs put together a northwest crab feed, salmon BBQ and pig roast. Great job and new experiences. The awards are ever increasing and offer incentives for members but we need to evaluate for budget concerns.

Education: We do have judges education and a parent club brochure. We have not finished the proposed changes to clarify color in the standard. Judges education and mentoring could be stronger. Some would like to see the standard revised in other areas. But as we look at our breed, does that truly help our future as a dual breed. In my opinion, the DNA program falls into this category as well. It is important to understand and uphold the integrity of the breed.

Canine Health and Welfare: We are again very strong. Our CHIC program is in good hands and being used. Great for the future of the GWP. Rescue is always a challenge and many dedicated club members are working in this area. For some reason, the AKC has incorporated the Newsletter and Magazine in this group. Newsletter and Magazine will most likely continue to change due to budgetary needs and media changes.

Breed Appropriate Events and Functions: This is where our National Event is truly something special, uniting field, obedience and conformation together and offering futurities for both field and show as well as the All Star Invitational. This event is a huge budgetary challenge but can be used as a showcase for our special GWPs. We must develop a standard cash/flow for this event and eliminate duplicate or unneeded expenses and capitalize on income producing possibilities. It offers the strongest GWPCA income producing event for outside advertisers and fund raising. Keep it strong and our future is strong.

Being a member of the GWPCA BOD has been a great experience. It is a challenging and time consuming commitment. The membership has many varied interests that they are passionate about and the BOD must blend all aspects of the GWP. During my six years as president, we have dealt with many issues but we work together to resolve them. Keep up the good work! It has been a very rewarding experience.

2. Report of the Treasurer

- Still sorting through invoices for Nationals

3. Report of Secretary

- No additional nominations were received for the Board of Directors elections, so the board members selected by the nominating committee will be elected:
 - President: Jim Boyd
 - Treasurer: Erika Brown
 - Midwest Director: William Bastian
- Event Approvals
 - Sun Coast GWP Specialty—Dec. 16, 2016
 - Twin Cities GWP Specialty—January 7, 2017
 - GWP Club of So. CA field trial—Feb 24-26, 2017
 - No. Cal GWP Walking Field Trial—May 20-21, 2017
 - Sun Coast GWP Hunt Test—Feb 4, 2017
 - Sun Coast GWP Hunt Test—Nov 4-5, 2017
 - Sun Coast GWP Club Field Trial—Jan 20-21, 2018

4. Committee Reports

a. Bylaws (Chuck Casanova and Ray Calkins)

- Bylaws revisions will include adding the ability to conduct club business electronically and also change masculine wording.

b. CHIC (Robin Nelson) nothing to report

c. AKC Delegate (Pat Laurans) no report

d. FEAC (Liz Dixon) no report

e. Field Futurity (Tom Lococco) no report

f. JEC (Judy Cheshire)

- The JE seminar and hands on at Nationals went well with five individuals attending the seminar and hands on workshop and 5 more coming on the weekend for ringside mentoring. I wrote a short summary for the Wire~News thanking both the mentors (Cindy Heiller, Laura Myles and Betsy Watkins) and the owners that allowed us to use their dogs for the workshop. The updated JE materials were also well received. There is a seminar scheduled in March in conjunction with the Tar Heel Circuit in North Carolina.

g. SEAC (Michelle Boyd)

- Information for 2019 nominations for judges for the National have been sent to the wire-news and to Lori Sargent for the website. It will also be sent to be included in a wire-news e-mail. Voting for 2018 judges ended on November 18. As soon as we receive information, Lisa Kreuser will begin contacting them.

- h. Rescue (Suzanne Oslander) no report
- i. Awards Committee (Lisa Krueser) no report
- j. ROM (Courtney Bastian) no report
- k. Show Futurity (Laura Myles) no report
- l. Standards Review (Bernee Brawn) nothing to report
- m. Versatility (Greg Dubois) Nothing to Report
- n. Wire News (Taylor Marshall/Angie Johnson)
 - The Wire News prints local club happenings in the Wire News.
- o. Wire Mail (Steve Kreuser) no report
- p. Webmaster (Lori Sargent) nothing to report
- q. Legislative Liaison (Joan Payton)

5. Directors Reports

- a. West – Dr. Cindy Heiller
 - Sea-Tac—Had Christmas Party/meeting and started planning for 2017 Events, including Sportsman’s Show (January), Field trial (March), Meet the breeds (March), and Specialty show (August)
 - Central Oregon
 - i. The GWPCCO had it's annual Christmas party last Thurs. evening. Another great time!
 - ii. Our club officers are going to change next month when we have our election. The soon to be elected are: Pres. John Williams, VP. Joe Proulx II, Treas. Sandy Williams and Sec. Carrie Proulx. I don't know who the board members are going to be at this time.
 - Oregon—
 - N. Cal
 - i. Francis Marsh, President
 - ii. Cynthia Heiller, DVM, Vice President
 - iii. Teresa Simon, Secretary
 - iv. Diane Marsh, Treasurer
 - v. Directors: Silke Alberts, Randall Berry, Frank Ely, Joan Payton, Jim Yerkes
 - S. Cal
- b. Midwest – William Bastian
 - Eastern Nebraska Club—no response
 - Wisconsin Club—Nothing new at this time
 - Twin Cities Club-- Annual meeting in conjunction with their specialty show (Land o Lakes Kennel Club) on January 7th
 - Iowa club- no response
 - Illinois Club—nothing new at this time
- c. East – Mike Braddock
 - Sun Coast—Specialty show Dec. 16
 - Fort Detroit—Christmas Party will be in January, and they will be planning events then.
 - Del Val Club—no report

6. Old Business

a. DNA

- This committee will include Taylor Marshall, Ray Calkins and Laura Myles. Work will begin after Nationals to implement a long-term DNA program for Nationals.

b. Top Stud dog and Brood Bitch Awards

- Calculated same as ROM. Beginning January 2017, the Stud Dog and Brood Bitch ratings will be scored to include the ROM changes. William will send a sample NAVHDA report and ROM scoring rules to the board to determine how this can be implemented.

c. National Event's Treasurer

- Rather than having a new National Event's Treasurer, it is recommended that the club purchase Quickbooks to manage the accounts. Erika will investigate possible options.

d. Standard Review Committee

- Straw Poll results: 81 Responses (35 to disqualify black & 44 to allow black)
- Motion to send vote tally to Standard Review Committee so they can get us final wording for changes to color in the standard, to allow black. All Approved.

e. National Events Manual

- A committee should be formed to update the National Events Manual. We recommend Judy head this committee; Ray would like to be on this committee. All Approved.

7. 2016 Nationals

- Buckhorn Ranch, Condon OR
- This event was a success, both field and show events, despite the wet conditions.
- Initial accounting shows a likely profit for the events.

8. 2017 Nationals

- 2017 National Oct. 6-conclusion
- Event planning so far - National, a National specialty, a WI specialty. Twin Cities will not be holding a specialty
- Cannot hold an agility trial due to local equipment is already on loan and large agility event taking place too close in distance.
- Show chair position still vacant
- Superintendent will be Susan Gordon again.
- Erika- Would like to know what we paid them in 2005 - NA
- Field Events - Liz Dixon FT chair
- Solon Springs Community Center Booked--October 5th - 8th.
- Solon Springs Field Trial Grounds Booked --October 9th - finish.
- Photographer has been selected; she will provide archive photos and provide free photo to best Junior Handler winners.
- The NEC has not solicited or selected a photographer. Any contracts signed we will not be obligated to fulfill. (Ray will check with NEC on this)

9. 2018 Nationals

- Field events will be at Mingo Sportsman club
- FT Stuben KC is no longer an option. Another possible option would be Sept. 21 with all-breed shows or stand-alone at a park in October. This will be reviewed further.
- Show Secretary position needs to be filled
- FT and HT chair positions filled
- Hospitality possibly lined up
- Site visit happening soon.

10. 2019 Nationals

- West Coast?

11. Election to Membership

12. New Business.

- Invitation to participate in Westminster “Meet the Breeds” event \$95
- Voting Tally for 2018 Nat’l Specialty Judge

Name	1st Choice	2nd Choice	3rd Choice	Weighted Total
Dana Cline	7	18	7	64
Patricia Laurans	15	4	5	58
Ken Buxton	17		2	53
Sam Houston McDonald	1	8	9	28
Bob G Smith	1	9	7	28
Jay Richardson	5	4	3	26
Karen Wilson	3	5	5	24
Linda Robey	3	3	4	19
Nikki Riggsbee	1	1	7	12
Steve Keating	1	1	2	7
No Vote		1	3	5
Totals	54	54	54	

13. Next Meeting: January 26, 2017

14. Adjournment