

# German Wirehaired Pointer Club of America

## Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, February 28, 2017

All members present, except for Bob Perry.

Meeting called to order 8:40pm

Approval of January Minutes. All Approved

1. Report of President

2. Report of the Treasurer

- General Fund \$8,514.79
- Emergency Rescue \$6,283.24
- Maturity \$405.96
- All -\$54.21
- National FT Buckle- \$530
- Supplemental FT Trophy Fund- \$1,770

3. Report of Secretary

- Longtime club member, Jim Isom passed away. The club purchased flowers for the family?
- ROM and Awards committees have both been informed of the board's vote last month that all club awards, including ROM and Versatility be purchased by the Awards committee.
- Event Approvals
  - Sea-Tac GWP Club—March 25-26
  - Wisconsin GWP Club Field Trial—April 28-30, 2017
  - Central Oregon GWP Club Field Trial—April 29-30
  - Twin Cities GWP Club Field Trial—May 15-16
  - No. Cal GWP Walking Field Trial—May 20-21, 2017 (includes water test)
  - Del Val GWP Club Specialty—June 3, 2017
  - Northern California GWP Club Specialty—June 10, 2017
  - Wisconsin GWP Club Specialty—June 17, 2017
  - Fort Detroit GWP Club Specialty—July 7, 2017
  - So Cal GWP Club Specialty—July 8, 2017
  - Central Oregon GWP Field Trial—Sept 16-17, 2017
  - Wisconsin GWP Club Specialty—Oct 6, 2017
  - Northern California Hunt Test—November 1-2, 2017
  - Sun Coast GWP Hunt Test—Nov 4-5, 2017
  - Northern California GWP Field Trial—November 16-19, 2017

4. Committee Reports

a. Bylaws (Chuck Casanova and Ray Calkins)

- Working on wording for electronic balloting and AKC's statement that all board members "must be provided with the means to participate".

b. DNA (Ray Calkins) No Report

c. CHIC (Robin Nelson)

- I have been talking to Dr Chris Stauthammer about a cardiac clinic at our Nationals. He is able to do auscultations, but does not have access to a portable ultrasound so cannot offer an

echocardiogram. He suggested I contact Dr Janet Olson, a traveling cardiologist. She is not licensed in WI and described a temporary permit she would need. I contacted the Board of Vet Med in WI to pursue a permit, and have forwarded my reply. Is the Board in a position to support a health clinic at Nationals? I had never thought about health certificate requirements and Nationals. I have been contacting U of MN cardiologists because they are closer. Any input the Board might provide will be appreciated.

- I have also contacted a DVM from the U of WI to see if her fees are affordable. Unfortunately, people aren't getting back to me. I will keep working on this, but may end up hoping we can fill Dr Stauthammer's 35 dog minimum for auscultation only. Not ideal, but better than nothing.
- We have 6 dogs with new CHIC numbers bringing our total to 159 GWP's.

d. AKC Delegate (Pat Laurans)

- Pat reported the following figures from AKC:  
German Wirehaired Pointer Club of America Donor Advised Fund  
End-Year 2016 Statement (01/01/2016-12/31/2016)

<b>01/01/2016 Balance</b>	<b>\$700.11</b>
Contributions	\$ .00
PPCPP Contribution	\$1,172.20
Investment Earnings/(Losses)	\$65.51
MOU Grant Support	\$ .00
Management Fees	\$ .00
Research Support*	\$ .00
<b>12/31/2016 Balance</b>	<b>\$1,937.82</b>

e. FEAC (Liz Dixon)

- the ballot for the '17 judges is out. Deadline is Monday for everyone to get back to me. As soon as we have the tally, I will start contacting the judges for availability. Once we have 4 judges, I will send the names on to the BOD. I have also applied for the '17 nationals online, Connie Thomas still has some changes to make, but moving forward there. The grounds at Solon are reserved.

f. Field Futurity (Tom Lococco) no report

g. National Events Manual (Judy Cheshire)

- worked with Lisa Kreuser this past weekend on the National Events Manual so that it more reflects a Board run Nationals rather than one that is "hosted" by an individual club or "hosting entity".

h. JEC (Judy Cheshire)

- Able to do some mentoring at shows in February and also some mentoring inquiries by telephone. Will report on the March seminar after completion.

i. SEAC (Michelle Boyd)

- Lisa Krueser is working on contacting the judges for the 2018 National.
- Nominations close next week for 2019 judges for the National. Once we have received those, we will begin work on the ballot for 2019.
- The December minutes mention that a committee is being formed to work on the National Events Manual. The SEAC has been waiting to work on changes to our information until the National Events Manual is worked on. It would be helpful if we could have a SEAC member on this committee.

j. Rescue (Suzanne Oslander) no report

k. Awards Committee (Lisa Krueser) no report

l. ROM (Courtney Bastian) no report

m. Show Futurity (Laura Myles) no report

n. Standards Review (Bernee Brawn)

- The Committee continues to recommend that the entire standard be opened for review to correct some wording issues. As you know, this can only be done once in a 5 yr period. I took the liberty to contact our Judges Ed. Chair and asked their opinion on this. I am attaching her reply as well. The Judges Ed Committee was not included in our Standards Committee, why... I don't know. One would think they should have been since they are the ones who speak with judges and are the ones that explain the meaning of our standard to them.
- o. Versatility (Greg Dubois/Lori Sargent)
  - does the BOD want to consider including other titles that are new since the inception of the program? For example, dock diving, Barn Hunt, Grand Champion, the advanced titles in hunt tests (JHA, SHA, MHA), preferred titles in agility, etc?
- p. Wire News (Taylor Marshall/Angie Johnson)
  - The Winter Wire~News issue was sent out late, due to this the deadline for the Spring issue was pushed back to March 1st. We will be back on our normal timeline for the Summer issue.
  - We are very excited about several new articles and columns for our readers including "A Day In the Life Of..." series and an "Ask Belinda" column. Members voted on a new cover option for the WireNews which will be unveiled on the Spring issue
- q. Wire Mail (Steve Kreuser)
  - Wire~mail is ongoing. I need to get with Erika to update the membership list.
- r. Webmaster (Lori Sargent)
  - I've done a lot of updates to the website lately. Please let me know if you see anything else that need to be revised.
- s. Legislative Liaison (Joan Payton)
  - Legislation is on overdrive. Just received 3 more in the last 24 hrs. Will go through them & give you a synopsis
  - Indiana is working making it legal to break into a car to rescue a dog.
  - Hawaii, licensing of breeders
  - CA has some bad stuff but I have to look it up

## 5. Directors Reports

- a. West – Dr. Cindy Heiller
  - Sea-Tac—a meet the breeds is scheduled in conjunction with the Seattle KC dog show; field trial scheduled March 25-26
  - Central Oregon--
  - Oregon— The OGWPC held it's annual meeting Feb. 11. Officers were elected and our spring field trial discussed . The trial will be held June 3&4 on Sauvie Island. We had a great lunch then went to the field for a training day. No rain!
  - N. Cal-- we donated the Club Basket Prize money to “Homeless with Pets...Compassion at both ends of the leash.” Our Specialty Show is on June 10th
  - (Saturday which is a change from Sunday in the past) at the Woofstock Cluster. Hunt Test, April 1 & 2, WFT, May 20 & 21; Fun Day, July 29th.
  - S. Cal—field trial was cold and wet.
- b. Midwest – William Bastian
  - Eastern Nebraska Club—no report
  - Wisconsin Club—Gun Dog sweepstakes at a local specialty in June. Hoping to do the same event at Nationals. Wisconsin Club will host a dinner at Nationals.
  - Twin Cities Club—
  - Iowa club—no report
  - Illinois Club—Longtime member, Jim Isom has passed away.

c. East – Mike Braddock

- Sun Coast—Hunt Test Nov. 4-5
- Fort Detroit—Awards banquet will be March 26; Hunt Test April 21-22.
- Del Val Club—Specialty in June.

6. Old Business

a. National Event's Treasurer

- This is a complicated subject since there are so many moving parts involved it has become evidently clear that one person must serve as a "point person" to record everything from the beginning to the end. That person would work closely with the treasurer and the NEC members.
- For these reasons, is it possible that this position to be granted access to the paypal account? View reports only.
- This would allow the committee members quick access to the point person so they would be able to complete their responsibilities quickly and allow more flexibility when there is a discrepancy. Additionally, allows the 'point person' access to see if sponsored trophies have been invoiced for payment.
- Also, another point to address is the multiple committee members receiving checks. Currently, checks are sent to the FT, HT secretary, trophy chair, hospitality chair, etc and then are mailed to the treasurer. This practice has created a delay in having money available in the bank account, delays to our donor's ability to reconcile their bank accounts. For these reasons, I would request that certain key people be temporarily loaned 'Deposit Only' debit cards issued from Bank of America which are linked to the bank account. Bank of America said that this is a common practice for groups and business when multiple people deposit money into one account. The cards are offered at no charge, and you can get an image receipt of the checks deposited so that there is proof of deposit and a paper trail.
- Without a clearer picture of where the money is spent and raised it is difficult to come up with a working budget. Hopefully, I can get some preliminary numbers to the BOD of anticipated costs for 2017 Nationals for next meeting. There are several areas that we are looking at to reduce costs.

b. Standard Review Committee

- Straw Poll results: 81 Responses (35 to disqualify black & 44 to allow black)
- At the last meeting, the board voted 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.
  - Bob will contact the Standard Review Committee to request a revised standard with wording to allow black, so we can send to AKC for preliminary approval.

Motion to limit the changes to the standard only to the description of color. Seconded. Motion approved.

Motion to send the standard that allows black to the AKC for review. Seconded. Motion approved.

c. National Events Manual

- (From Judy) the updating process has been stalled for over a year. Basically, I need to know what the direction of the Board is. Will this always be Board run and not just with Board oversight? In other words, will the hosting "entity" never again be a club, but rather a group under the direction of the National Events Coordinator with Board oversight? This will make a

difference in the wording and also with the financial piece, which is what I think has been holding the Board back. The obvious things, such as the DNA requirement, are updated. Would it be possible if I went over the things that I see as problematic with Lisa Kreuser.....we might be able to do that in February.....and then discuss it with the Board at a future meeting?

7. 2016 Nationals

Lynn Calkins has prepared a Quickbooks accounting of the event. We still are missing a couple of pieces but in general things look good. (Lynn has worked extremely hard on this piece).

8. 2017 Nationals

- Oct 6-8 (show), Oct 9-12 (field)
- Paperwork going into AKC for show
- Robin Nelson working on health clinic. There is dedicated space.
- Hotels in place for both field and show judges.
- GWPWI has offered to have hospitality one night (Friday)
- Sylvia Miller was meeting with forestry department on 2/27 to go over camping/RV facilities, pricing, etc.
- Liz Dixon has started the paperwork with AKC
- FEAC working on FT judges
- GWP Club will hold a Gun Dog Sweepstakes with a dinner and drinks Friday night.
- Entry fees. Currently, we charge \$35/30/26 (BOB/classes/sweeps). An entry at an All-Breed show the nationwide average is \$29.50 and further broken down parent specialties are a little higher \$30.87. The PS that are the highest (as of Jan) is GSP and Dachshunds at \$38 for BOB. If we were going to raise the price for entries, I wouldn't go higher on BOB, maybe \$32 for classes and \$27 for sweeps. That could possibly raise an additional ~\$300. FT no one is greater than \$150 for broke dog and \$85 for non-broke. I did not find any pricing for HT or WT. However, the WT we charged \$20 and expenses are around \$14/dog, there may be some wiggle room there.

9. 2018 Nationals

- East coast. Sept 28-Oct 9, 2018
- FT- Mingo Sportsman club, Oct 1-9
- Show-narrowed down to three possibilities. Site visit to follow.

10. 2019 Nationals

- West Coast?

11. Election to Membership

Bruce	Walder	Debbie	Walder	2648 Irene Way	Bishop	CA	93514
Steve	Fegan	Inge	Fegan	5014 Lakeshore Road	Fort Gratiot	MI	48059
Maria	Akridge			7101 HWY 187	Anderson	SC	29625
Ariel	Wolf			2456 Stratford Crossing Drive	Winston-Salem	NC	27103
TC	Morrow			PO Box 121	Rosharon	TX	77583
Michael	Quinn			2311 46th Ave	San Francisco	CA	94116
Suzanne	Humphrey			7681 Golfcrest Drive	San Diego	CA	92119
Michael	Wickens			219 John St #1	Oakland	CA	94611

Scott	Thompson			11 Leather Leaf Ln	Mashpee	MA	02649
Jennifer	Mosing			715 Heart D Farm	Youngsville	LA	70592

All approved.

12. New Business

- A request has been received to include Dock Diving in the calculation of Versatility awards. The versatility Committee has also asked for guidance on incorporating other dog sports, such as coursing and barn hunt.

13. Next Meeting: Thursday, March 23

14. Adjournment