

German Wirehaired Pointer Club of America

Board of Directors Meeting Agenda

Thursday June 25, 2020

Meeting called to order at 7:04pm. All present.

Approval of April Meeting Minutes Motion to accept the minutes made by Mike and seconded by Linda.
Motion carried.

1. Report of President

2. Report of the Treasurer

Fund	Total	Note
General Fund	48204*	Includes Memberships & Wirenews funds
Membership 2020		See Membership report in agenda
Wire News		See Wire News Report
Wire News		
Purina Partnership (4847)	4369	Limited to education and health research
Maturity (1715)	1715	Includes donations and nominations

* Includes Emergency Fund of \$1065

Items Paid

Amount \$	Notes
20	Constant Contact Wire Mail
10	Mc D Gift Card Reimbursement
Wire news:	
850	Wire News Postage deposit Ck#1108
416	KMK Designs Ck#1107
6.95	Reimburse mailing WN PP

Please note not all checks may have cleared

Payments Received (Other than membership, Wire News)

Amount \$	Notes
100	Yearbook Sales Liz Dixon Donation
3000	Purina – Nationals
619	Purina – Food circles \$ limited use of these funds

❖ Our club insurance will be active on August 1, 2020

3. Report of Secretary

- Event Approvals
 - Sea Tac GWP Club Approval for Specialty #2020152503-C/O, 2020152505-BP, #2020152504-C, and 152506-BP

4. Committee Reports

- a. **Bylaws** (Ray Calkins) Recently Jodi and I discussed the By-laws and potential updates. Last night Jim Boyd and I began an initial discussion on the subject. Tabled until next month to gather more information
- b. **CHIC** (Karen Potter) No Report
- c. **AKC Delegate** (Pat Laurans) Several breeds are required to pass the AKC Water Test in order to be awarded field trial and/or hunting test titles. These breeds have a heritage of retrieving from water and the Water Test requirement is meant to test for this ability. An ongoing issue that owners have faced with this requirement is the lack of AKC water tests. In an attempt to address this issue, the AKC Performance Events Department is offering a Virtual Water Test on a pilot basis. AKC Sports & Events has been experimenting with virtual testing for beginning level classes in several pass-fail sports. These programs have proven to be successful and convenient. The Water Test lends itself to being judged based on a video submittal. If this proves to be true, it will be much more convenient for owners to achieve this requirement.
- d. **FEAC** (Liz Dixon) Judges letters have gone out. I have received 2 responses back, hopefully the other 2 will come soon! (These are the judges questionnaires with expenses, etc.) Tony McGrane and Howard Burbach will judge the Derby and NAFC; Terry Chandler and Jon Small will judge the NFC, Futurity and Puppy stakes.
We will do stones again by Kim Marie for judges gifts for the field trial judges and hunt test judges.
I got an email from Tom Lococo that the state of Nebraska will be opening up again and the trial grounds will be open for the fall trial season.
- e. **Field Futurity** (Tom Lococco) For the Field Futurity report current bank account is \$1,840.08. 2020 for Branched Oak has 27 dogs eligible. For 2021 has two individual dogs nominated and one litter nomination.
- f. **JEC** (Judy Cheshire) Nothing new to report on Judges Ed other than thinking about a plan for a possible seminar and/or ringside mentoring with social distancing (6 feet) and face masks suggested, which appear to be the restrictions I could find for Lincoln/Lancaster County.
- g. **SEAC** (Michelle Boyd) no report
- h. **Rescue** (Suzanne Oslander) no report
- i. **Awards** (Lisa Krueser) no report
- j. **ROM** No report but we do have someone that is interested in the role. See Old Business
- k. **Show Futurity** (Laura Myles) No Report
- l. **Maturity** (Jennifer Jacobs) no report
- m. **Merchandise** (Kristen Wehking) no report
- n. **Versatility** (Ariel Wolf) no report
- o. **Nominating Committee** (Jodi Quesnell) The Nominating committee has asked someone to run for the position of President being vacated by Jim at the end of the year. The committee is waiting for a response.
- p. **Wire News** (Angie Johnson/Ariel Wolf/Taylor Hickman/Erin Yanish) I do not have the financials yet for the Summer Wire News. But I can tell you it will be printed this Thursday, June 25th and the next deadline for Fall issue is August 1, 2020.
Also in Summer issue the annual meeting was announced, the Open ROM Position was published and how to nominate people for the open board positions but the members submitted by the nominating committee was not published as it was not finalized by print time. The GWPCA will need to send out a post card with the names listed.
- q. **WireMail** (Steve Kreuser) no report
- r. **Webmaster** (Taylor Hickman) no report

- s. **Legislative Liaison** (Joan Payton) WA: Amendments to hunting contests rules proposed ,field trials not impacted. WDFW seeking public comment on proposed changes to regulations for hunting contests hunting monetary prizes for person who kills most animals. US Congress: Ask your member of Congress to support the Healthy Dog Import Pact(HR6921) Go to AKC.org to contact your representative. URGENT!
Iowa: Cruelty bill heads to governor.
PA: Senate passes a dangerous dog legislation. AKC has some concerns.

- t. **Membership Coordinator** (Angie Johnson)

2020 Membership Finances*

06/2020 Membership Financials

Membership - \$17, 475.00*

Breeder Listing - \$2,100.00

Stud Dog Listing - \$285.00

Emergency Rescue - \$1,100.00

Fee Earnings - \$361.14

*These amounts are included in the General Fund.

Expenses

\$10.00 - Junior Gift Cards

July Junior Birthday Cards

Abigail Trussell

Kanyon Gentry

5. Directors Reports

- a. **West** – Dr. Cindy Heiller

- Sea-Tac
- Central Oregon
- Oregon
- N. Cal—Field Trial is still on for November 12-15, 2020 at Kistler Ranch.
- S. Cal

- b. **Midwest** – Linda Eidemiller

- Eastern Nebraska Club
- Wisconsin Club
- Twin Cities Club
- Iowa Club

- c. **East** – Mike Braddock

- Sun Coast—
- Fort Detroit—Hunt Test scheduled for September.
- Del Val Club—Specialty is still on.

6. Old Business

- Top Stud Dog/Brood Bitch Awards - I looked at the requirements on the website vs what Lori S proposed. I have started a formula but have questions for the board before moving forward.
 1. Is there really a problem with the point scale the way it is? No
 2. If we choose to add more venues to the requirements, then where is the line drawn or do we include everything? New Point Schedule will be presented at next mtg.
- We have someone that has inquired about the being the coordinator— is there any requirements? Could the coordinator be a Junior member. The BOD sees no reason why it couldn't and would be ok with a Junior Member. Will wait for the WireNews to reach the membership for more interest.

2020- Lincoln, NE

October Oct 2-12

- Show site is reserved for GWPCA on Friday, for our use of the Lincoln Room.
- Robin Nelson and Linda Handevitd are working with the local caterers for food. Caught up in the current shut down.
- GWPCA Catalog - identified vendor. Angie Johnson is ad chair.
- Merchandise - Storefront will be opened in July. Items will be available ONLY to be shipped to purchaser's home address.
- Quick Sale T-shirt raised \$753, check sent to the treasurer.
- Obedience/Rally Chair - Linda Smith-Eidemiller, the event will now be a stand-alone GWP only obedience and rally trial. AKC fee was \$50 due to not holding an event last year. There is token charge for room rental to the club.
- Michelle Boyd - Show Chair - Event schedule is completed as much as can be done without knowing entries. Chances are the All-breed will have an entry limit. This will only impact the regional and supported shows. Premium information has been sent to Onofrio, they are holding off creating it until the show is set-in-stone.
- Futurity and Maturity Chairs contacted about their judges, waiting for final confirmation for the judges.
- Trophy Chair - donations are filling up, FT covered, majority of National is spoken for, Regional is lagging right now. The current status can be found on the 2020 GWPCA National webpage which is up, running, and being updated as more information is available.
- Friends group donating \$1000 to host an OFA/DNA collection. Robin Nelson, DVM is providing oversight and guidance. With the goal to collect as many GWPs as possible to increase the health testing database and hopefully get a generational line established. Also, going to hold a collection at the FT site to increase the breed numbers. Collections will be Saturday after showing and Monday at the FT grounds.
- All-Star Invitational - Deanna Donohue has agreed to lead the group. From what I saw the members are: Joanna Knox and Jeff Brown. They want to hold an event this year, time slot arranged for Sat early evening.
- Thursday welcome will be at the Staybridge hotel hosted by Miranda Wagoner.
- GWPU
- FT-Branched Oak Oct 5-12th. Liz Dixon (FEAC chair) has had the committee vote on judges and is working on getting the last selected judge secure. She will send the list of judges to the BOD for next month for BOD approval.
- Tom Lococo and Liz Dixon- Chairs have wrangler, birds lined up, working on daily meals with local caterer and has committee together. FT Secretary - Stacy Risler.
- Hunt Test - Joe Martin is working on judges and HT committee. Hunt Test Secretary - Beth Schmidt

2021-Kalamazoo, MI and Ionia Rec Area

- Show - Location, Kalamazoo Kennel Club Training Facility- <http://www.kalamazookennelclub.com/> Facility deposit made.
- Ft. Detroit will most likely do a local specialty on Thursday or Friday.
- Hosting an All-Breed Ob trial on Friday.
- Host Hotel - Comfort Inn - Plainwell, MI. About 10 minutes for show site. Has attached banquet facility. Currently, the hotel is closed during the lockdown, they have been contacted and awaiting room block information.
- Banquet facility - negotiating pricing. AGAIN.
- Field Events - Oct 4-10th, 2021
- Grounds are reserved at Ionia Rec Area.

New Business

- **Nationals Attendance** - Can we ask either the GWPCA FB page or the Nationals FB page to create a poll of members asking who is planning to come to Lincoln. After much discussion, both for and against, we have regretfully concluded that it simply not feasible to host our Nationals during these difficult and unsafe times.

Given the challenges travel, both air and driving alike have, the constraints of social distancing, limits on group numbers, not to mention the fact that the show could be cancelled at the last minute by state officials or the Cornhusker Kennel Club itself, and of course the risk to our judges and exhibitors alike, we feel this is the best decision on many levels.

While there was no easy answer, we also took into consideration the fact that the Cornhusker KC also has limited the number of entries to 900 dogs on the days of our Regional and Supported Specialties and will offer no guarantee of entry for our breed on these days. The day of the National specialty would be the only day that entries are guaranteed. We also considered that there would be the likelihood of no spectators being allowed ringside.

A motion was made by Cindy and 2nd by Bob to cancel our 2020 National Show and Field Events due to current health concerns. Vote was taken with six in favor and Stacy abstaining, motion carried. Jim will contact Lisa Kreuser ASAP to make her aware of the decision. Once Jim lets Stacy know Lisa has been contacted Stacy will contact Taylor with the announcement we want placed front page of the club website.

- **Website** - Should we as the board start to use it as more of a tool to communicate with the membership. Yes we will start using more to communicate information.
- **Nationals Annual Meeting & AKC Bylaws RE Meetings** - We are only required to hold a national meeting if we have national events. Under the circumstances, if we were to make a bylaws change as AKC wishes, the board could do it as our bylaws don't specifically mention teleconferencing. With the cancelling of the Nationals this year this is no longer an issue and will be tabled for now.

Election to Membership

Morgan Bobbitt - Bourbon, MO
Amanda Cooper - Woodland, AL
Dave & Elena Costley - Sheldon, MO
Bill Cunningham - Canton, GA
Mark Elliott - Santa Maria, CA
Jefferson & Bidy Finley - Guerneville, CA
Jon Geniesse - Lakeland, FL
Ted Harvey - Ocean City, NJ
Heather Luchsinger - Nonroe, WA
Rebecca Lundy - Keavy, KY
Lanse Macke Laguna Niguel, CA
Linda Madyda - Merritt Island, FL
Edward McDonald - Moselle, MS
Guy Miner - Wenatchee, WA
Alex & Andrea Munivez - Boones Mill, VA

Shawn Perkins - Luck, WI
Samantha Rowley - Hawksville, GA

Linda made a motion and Lee 2nd the following approved for membership by the board. Motion carried.

7. **Next Meeting:** July 23, 2020

8. **Meeting Adjourned at 9:06pm**