

**German Wirehaired Pointer Club of America
Board of Directors Meeting Agenda
Wednesday June 16, 2021**

Meeting to order:

Approval of May Meeting Minutes: Lee motion, Rocky 2nd – all in favor. Motion passed

1. Presidents Report:

2. Report of the Treasurer –

Fund	Total	Note
General Fund	60 997*	Includes memberships & Wirenews funds
Membership 2020		See membership report
Wire news		See WN report
Purina Partnership**	4998	Limited to education and health research
Maturity	1915	Includes donations and nominations

* Includes Emergency Fund of \$1065

** From Purina Weight Circle Program

Items Paid May 17 –June 14

Amount \$	Notes
20.00	Constant Contact PP (June)
Wire news:	

Payments received (other than Memberships, Nationals, or Wirenews):

Amount \$	Notes
628	Purina Parent Club Partnership

3. Report of Secretary – Event Approvals:

SeaTac Specialty August

Ft Detroit Specialty October

4. Committee Reports

A) Bylaws (Ray Calkins) No Report

B) CHIC (Karen Potter) No Report

C) AKC Delegate (Pat Laurans) No Report

D) FEAC (Liz Dixon) I have sent out the letters to the judges, have received 3 back. I spoke with Kim from Fine Art in Stone, and she is willing to do the judges gifts for all 8 judges. I will start gathering photos for her so she can start work on them. I have finished the premium for the 2021 event, but don't have all the info I need for the 2020 premium. John Schoonover is going to get back to me with the answers that I need to finish that premium.

One thing that I don't know if it ever was sent to the BOD, but at the last FEAC meeting in 2019, we discussed changing the qualifying date for a dog to run in either championship. The current GWPCA rules say the dog must be qualified to run at the time of closing - which is generally 3 weeks before the national event. A lot of times, people are still running dogs up to and including the weekend before the nationals begins, sometimes trying to get a dog qualified to run in the championships. The FEAC agreed on a proposal that would allow a dog to qualify to run in either championship up to the actual event. The dog would have to be properly entered at the time of closing, and if the dog did not qualify between the closing and the running of the national, the entry fee would be forfeited, meaning the club would keep the money for the entry. The FEAC feels that is a win/win situation - it encourages people to enter, but if the dog doesn't qualify, then the club makes money. If the dog didn't qualify, the running order would have to be changed, but generally this situation only happens every 3-5 years. So it doesn't happen very often.

The premium that will go out would reflect this change. If the BOD would approve this change, we will start this year with a change in the qualifying date for dogs to run in either championship.

Motion: To allow a dog to qualify to run in either championship up to the actual event. The dog would have to be properly entered at the time of closing, and if the dog did not qualify between the closing and the running of the national, the entry fee would be forfeited, meaning the club would keep the money for the entry.

Motion made by Mike and 2nd by Lee. All in favor, motion carried.

E) Field Futurity (Tom Lococco) No Report

F) JEC (Judy Cheshire) No Report

G) SEAC (Deanna Donahue) No Report

H) Rescue (Suzanne Oslander) No Report

I) Awards (Lisa Krueser) Finalizing list of 2020 winners. Received information from club statisticians. Need to manually get list of Dual Champions, OTCH, MACH, BIS, HIT for the year. ROM and Versatility chairs contacted about deadline for submissions.

J) ROM (Hadley/Lisa Ramirez) Hadley is the ROM person but I am helping her along the way. I know she has emailed reporting the three applicants we received over the last few months. Every minutes report I see says she did not have a report though. My big question is, what does the club need exactly for these dogs to receive the awards this year? We have one on paper and two all on an excel book. Do we need to send all of that or do we just give the info since we checked it all out?

Liz is going to reach out to Hadley or Lisa. Hoping to see them at the GWP WI Specialty in IL.

K) Show Futurity (Laura Myles) No Report

L) Maturity (Jennifer Jacobs) No Report

M) Merchandise (Kristen Wehking) No Report

N) Versatility (Ariel Wolf) Change to Versatile Superior criteria: We discussed the difficulty surrounding earning VS and felt the previously offered criteria (24 points from 4+ areas with 10 points from field and 10 points from 1 additional area) was too prohibitive, as it would potentially prevent dogs with sufficient points who had not yet earned 10 points in an additional non-field area from getting VS, and it would also make three of the four VS dogs ineligible for VS if retroactively applied. In light of this, we decided the criteria should be: 24 points from 4+ areas with 10 points coming from field and a minimum of 8 points from an additional area. This would allow dogs who used the 8 point championship as a "max points" under the current system to have continuity going forward.

Conformation: We accept the removal of "pointed" and "major" but many Versatility Committee members feel strongly that GCH should be 10 points with CH remaining at 8 points, as it has been. "Dual" refers to field and show. It is hard to only recognize show through CH when not every CH can earn a GCH.

Field Trial: We accept the removal of "derby points" but would request consideration of inclusion of "field major" valued at either 3 or 4 points. Although most people doing field trials are not working in enough areas to be considered for Versatility awards, we would like to have an option open for someone who has done only field trialing and does not do NAVHDA or hunt tests to be able to get points in the field area shy of the FC or AFC. The GSPCA, VCA, and WCA all reference both show and field points and majors in their respective versatility programs.

Field major must be from a broke dog stake.

Hunt Test: No change

NAVHDA: The Versatility Committee feels NA should remain at 2 points, not be moved to 3. Although tracking is not required by JH or JHR, the NA is a one time shot and not all tracks are quality tracks. Although tracking is a unique element, JH requires the unique element of working around a bracemate (neither NA nor JHR test in braces) and JHR requires lengthy marks and retrieves to hand, including water work akin to a water test or more difficult, both of which are more extensive than the water work required for NA. We feel since these are all entry level tests, they should be valued the same at 2 points

each.

Obedience: We accept the changes of BN from 2 points to 1, and the removal of GN, GO, and VER. We accept the change of CDX/PCDX from 5 points to 6. It was suggested since we already value preferred obedience titles to recognize the Preferred Obedience Champion (POC) alongside the OTCH at 10 points.

UD 8pts and UDX 9pt along with the corresponding preferred titles.

Rally: No change

Agility: Since we already value preferred agility titles, we would like to introduce the PACH alongside the MACH at 10 points.

Tracking: No change

Scent Work: No change

Ancillary: No change

Lee will take our requested changes (in bold above) back to Ariel.

O) Nominating Committee (Jodi Quesnell) Just a note to remind Stacy that postcards need to go out before August 15th.

P) Wire News (Joey Smith) No Report

Liz left a message with Joey but has heard nothing back yet.

Q) Membership Report (Erin Yanish) No Report

R) Wire Mail (Steve Kreuser) No Report

S) Wire Web (Taylor Hickman) No Report

T) Legislative Liaison (Joan Payton) No Report

U) GWPCA FB Page (Kelton Hatton) No Report

5. Directors Reports

West – Ray Calkins

- Sea-Tac August Specialty
- Central Oregon just finished up a field trial
- Oregon co hosted a rattle snake clinic with the local NAVHDA chapter. 40 dogs participated
- N. Cal no response
- S. Cal no response

East – Mike Braddock

- Sun Coast no response
- Fort Detroit 3 day agility trial this weekend. Have 800 runs entered.
- Del Val Club July Specialty

Midwest – Linda Smith-Eidemiller

- Eastern Nebraska Club no response
- Wisconsin Club Specialty this weekend in IL
- Twin Cities Club Specialty next weekend
- Iowa Club

Nationals

2021 - Kalamazoo MI/Ionia MI

Finalizing the event schedule being completed by show chair. Lori Sargent is doing an excellent job at planning the schedule.

2021 FT hospitality fund raising has started.

2021 Hospitality fund is going well from the local clubs. As of today, \$1250 has been raised and \$400 for the FT. Following up with one club who has dedicated funds but none received.

Change of photographer contract signed and finalized.

Have one vendor interested in joining, will follow up with them once the site planning is complete.

Premium is in its final stages waiting on:

1. 2020 FT Premium
2. Final list of trophies

3. Proofing by chairs

Should be posted by no later than June 23, 2021.

Individual premiums will be posted on the website along with the combined one.

Outdoor tent is reserved for an earlier start on Thursday along with providing outdoor grooming and seating for lunches.

Club insurance has been sent to the sites.

2020 FT check sent to IFTGA for event fee. \$30.

2022 - WA

Show with an All-Breed. All-Breed deciding on if they are willing to utilize our selected/per membership vote.

Judges contacted with tentative dates.

Contracts have not been made as waiting for All-Breed outcome.

2023 - LOCATION???

Not sure of which area of the country the BOD decided to go with Midwest or East.

Election to Membership –

Next meeting: July 20, 2021 7pm cst

Motion to adjourn: Linda made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Rocky 2nd. All in favor, motion carried.