

**German Wirehaired Pointer Club of America  
Board of Directors Meeting Agenda  
Wednesday December 15, 2021**

**Meeting to order: 704pm**

**Approval of October Meeting Minutes:** Ray motion, Mike 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor. Motion carried

**1. Report of President** – Various things in the agenda.

**2. Report of the Treasurer** –

Fund	Total	Note
General Fund*	55,302	Includes memberships and Wire News Funds
Membership 2021		See Membership Report
Purina Partnership	4498	Limited to education and health research
Maturity	TBD	Includes donations and nominations

\*Includes Emergency funds of \$1065

Items Paid As of November 2021

\$ Amount	Notes
60	Constant Contact PP
WireNews	
550	Johnson Press
126.86	Johnson Press
1399.50	Johnson Press

Payments Received (other than Memberships, Nationals)

\$ Amount	Notes
100	Yearbooks

Please note not all checks may have cleared.

**3. Report of Secretary** – Already getting requests for event approvals for 2022.

**4. Committee Reports**

**A) Bylaws** (Ray Calkins) **Ray made a motion to accept the current changes. No 2<sup>nd</sup> was received. Motion died on the floor.**

**B) CHIC** (Karen Potter) No Report

**C) AKC Delegate** (Pat Laurans) No Report

**D) FEAC** (Liz Dixon) I sent out the minutes to the FEAC membership for approval. Also requested new judges names for 2022, would like to start the voting process early in January. Also spoke with Lisa Kreuser about upcoming sites, she suggested in 2023 to go to the state park she had talked about earlier. She thought the price was supposed to be about the same and club would make more money. I asked her (as the pres) to give me a price analysis. I would think it would be easier on everyone to have the show with the Cornhusker KC (my opinion). She will probably have it done for our next meeting and we can decide.

**E) Field Futurity** (Tom Lococco) No Report

**F) JEC** (Judy Cheshire) No Report

**G) SEAC** (Deanna Donohue) The SEAC would like the boards OK to go ahead and letters to the selected judges for 2023. Laura Reeves National judge, Laura Myles Regional Judge. The letter will be sent on SEAC letterhead and addressed from the committee. **Yes ok to send letter about availability and expenses only.**

**H) Rescue** (Suzanne Oslander) I just want to brag a little. We were awarded a \$5,000 Grant from Westminster for our innovative approach to Rescue. We are very proud. Calendars are being printed and will be ready 12/6/21. Merry Christmas to all. **Board will type thank you letter and send to Westminster.**

**I) Awards** (Lisa Krueser) No Report

**J) ROM** (Hadley Ramirez) No Report

**K) Show Futurity** (Laura Myles) I'd like to suggest that the Show Maturity be merged into being held and run by the Futurity Chair with continued recognition but as age groups within the Futurity.

Futurity checks have been mailed for 2020 and 2021 and are slowly clearing the bank.

Regards All and Best wishes for the New Year. **Lee will discuss with the creators of Maturity and we will discuss next month.**

**L) Maturity** (Jennifer Jacobs) No Report

**M) Merchandise** (Kristen Wehking) No Report

**N) Versatility** (Ariel Wolf) No Report

**O) Nominating Committee** (Jodi Quesnell) No Report

**P) Wire News** (Jodi ) The nationals issue of the Wirenews is with Lacey. Taylor is sending out invoices for advertising. **Liz will email Jodi with BOD approval.**

**Q) Membership Report** (Chris Gross) Membership duties were turned over to me as of December 12, 2021. For those that may not be aware, here is a list of the responsibilities as I understand it per former chair Angie Johnson.

- Receive New/Renewal Memberships (checks & paypal), Update Spreadsheet, reconcile checks, make Deposit at BOA
- Contact members with renewal reminders. As we get closer to deadline contact people personally, recruit directors to contact people in their area.
- Send membership renewals enclosed in a self-addressed envelope to the printer/publisher for insertion into the Fall Wire News
- Send monthly membership updates with Financials and list of new members to the board for their monthly meeting
- Keep Breeder Listing and Stud Dog Directory list, Send updates to website admin.
- Send out Code of Ethics to members that ask about Breeder Listing and Stud Dog
- Send email list to Wire Mail admin every quarter to verify their list is up to date
- Send count and Priority/mass mailing list to Wire News Printers
- Send Junior Birthday Cards with \$5 Gift Card. I used to send McDonald Gift Cards
- Send out a yearly GWPCA roster to all members.
- Send the New Membership Form via email to GWPCA breeders to enclose in puppy packets
- Send media reminders of renewals to Wire Mail, FB & Website Admin.
- Send lost Wire Mails to existing members or mail a copy to new members throughout the year.

We have approximately 335 current member households and, as you can see, duties extend beyond just keeping track of members. After visiting with others familiar with this position, one item that I request the Board reassign is the sending of birthday cards to juniors. It seems to me a junior outreach coordinator could easily do this, and more, to encourage youth to participate in our club. If no one is willing to take this on, I would ask that the sending of birthday cards be discontinued.

**R) Wire Mail** (Steve Kreuser) No Report

**S) Wire Web** (Taylor Hickman) - Working on integrating membership application form through the website. Added a couple of months ago, submission forms are being sent to Stacy and myself (this will now be updated to go to Chris Gross, new membership chair). I will continue to work with Chris to get this going and make that position easier. With the multiple changes in membership chair over the past year, there are multiple Breeder Listings and Stud Dog listings that were not able to be confirmed. As soon as membership lapses (March 31), I will work with the current chair to update those listing pages again. There was a LOT of time involved on my end messaging these people and confirming their payment (they had paid but had not been confirmed paid by membership chair at the time) - this should fall on the membership chair to follow up on, not myself, in my opinion.

- New versatility program information is on the versatility page, the old requirements will be removed on the 1st of January.

- Please send any and all information about the 2022 National to me ASAP. I requested 2020/2021 information from the board several times last year and received nothing official - all my information was

taken from Facebook. Members look to the website for current information and there is a HUGE lack of communication from the board to me regarding National Events, chair resignations, new chair members, etc. Also a big lack of info from chairs to me for their information (ROM, annual awards (to update Dual CHs, Best in Show winners, MH, etc.), futurity forms and deadlines, etc. I can only post what is sent to me...

**T) Legislative Liaison** (Joan Payton) I did it again. I get going in too many directions at once and forget what I'm doing. My phone is decided that I don't know anybody by the name of Liz Rocky or Ray. So if you could please forward this later.

Nothing really to report as I send it out to the directors as it comes up. Still need to write to your senator and congressman in DC about that federal bill which has a lot of strange things in it and could destroy breeding. Also be aware of the organ situation which will shut down hunting farms dogs everything.

On a non-legislative note, Carla Weber will be moving to Indiana on the 6th. Her one remaining relative has asked her to move into a assisted living home near her. I do not have her future address as of yet but if anybody would like it let me know and I will forward it. I know she would greatly appreciate hearing from wire her people. This is going to be a terrible transition for her as you can imagine. Your support would be very much appreciated.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all of you and I'll try to do better next year lol

**U) Facebook Page** (Kelton Hatton) We talked a year ago almost about doing a members only Facebook group. We never were given a list of names to add. After thinking it over I would highly suggest a pay wall to have access for members only to all the members content. A huge benefit to this would be not having it be such a large task to manage the membership. The members only information could be a group of people. I did talk to Samantha Myles about this and she showed some interest. I think the biggest piece of this would be to get the paywall in place..... meaning that the membership CAN be done electronically and have instant access and there would be a big weight taken off the membership chair and have to have less work for all. The people that still want to mail their membership in could still do so and then confirm access to back of website.

This members only page could be contributed by heads of committees, regional GWP clubs, and anyone else the board would like to appoint. It could be started and advanced training ( in all the venues), grooming, genetic testing, current standings, specialty results, Breed standard education ect. Some of this would of course double over to Facebook but the point would be to add value to membership.

The other thing that I would like to bring up is a way to get Juniors to try other venues. We had national juniors awards and we'd have them for the year and for the national. Do we have a Juniors Most Versatile program? Or something like it?

**V) Auction & Raffle** (Sylvia Miller)

## **5. Directors Reports**

### **West – Rocky Gilleard**

- Sea-Tac
- Central Oregon
- Oregon
- N. Cal
- S. Cal

### **East – Mike Braddock**

- Sun Coast
- Fort Detroit
- Del Val Club

### **Midwest – Linda Smith-Eidemiller**

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

## **6. Old Business**

**7. New Business – we had a long discussion on an AKC Breeder of Merit. Liz will email Pat our delegate for a start point at AKC. Ray will contact the plaintiff and let them know where we are headed with this. He will also ask if they still have a copy of the purchase contract.**

**New Members-**

Daniel and Lisa Hunning – Anton, CO  
Holly Foster – Lincoln, NE  
Cambria Nierdieck – Hearne, TX  
Joel and Angela Edminster – Liberty Lake, WA  
Doug and Amy Skinner – North Sioux City, SD  
Andrew Perkins - Kansas City, MO  
Daniel Moore – Pittsburgh, PA  
The Chalands – Waynesville, MO  
John Powell – Carrollton, TX  
Fie Andersen – Sherborn, MA  
Jeff Mucci – Austin, TX  
Michael Manuel – Scottsdale, AZ  
George Stoudenmire – Cameron, SC

**Stacy made the motion and Linda 2<sup>nd</sup>. All in favor, motion carried.**

**Adjournment: 850pm Ray made the motion and Rocky 2<sup>nd</sup>. All in favor**

**Next meeting: January 19, 2022**