

## GDCNC Meeting: September 6, 2014

Board members in attendance: Everett Van Dyken, Lorrie Spencer, Mabel Labiak, Debbie McMurdie, Pat Dousman, Kevin Forrest

Board members excused: Lorraine Matherly, Sam Gillette, Denise Williams, Laura Craig, Debi Romerosa, Denise Matulich

Members in attendance: Megan Hundley, Kate Jackson, Janet Purdy, Bill Labiak, Dail Koehler, Sue Holbrook, Nancy Bruno, Mick Galvin,

Guest: Dorothy Forrest

Meeting called to order at 11:20 A.M. at Royce Farms.

Corresponding Secretary, Denise Williams, was absent. No report.

Treasurer, Mabel Labiak, went over budget reports for June and July. One exhibitor's check was returned and we incurred a NSF bank charge. Everett is working with the exhibitor to get reimbursement owed to the club. In the future, this exhibitor will be asked for cash or money order when entering dogs in the upcoming specialties.

Dues letter will be sent out this month. Dues are payable by November 1, 2014.

Education. PEC chair person, Kate Jackson, has been forwarding AKC legislative news bulletins. She noted that the Federation of Dog Clubs (not sure of title but we are a member) is more politically active in our state. Governor Brown just signed a bill allowing dogs to be in outdoor eating establishments that allow it.

Membership chair person, Pat Dousman, noted that Dorothy Forrest needs to be published one more time and then can be voted into membership.

Ways and Means. Pat Dousman, on behalf of Denise Matulich, mentioned that all jacket orders need to be into Denise by September 15.

Web site chair person, Kate Jackson, noted that the web site was up to date but she and Irina would welcome any suggestions.

Show Report:

- Megan Hundley will be serving her last term as show chair person in 2015. She was commended for the excellent job she has done over the past years. We are looking to fill that position for the 2016 specialties. If someone would be willing to consider it, Megan would be willing to act as their mentor over the course of the next two years.
- Sweeps judges will be selected for the 2015 shows by the judges committee already set up and voted in by the board.
- Motion made by Everett and seconded by Bill to set up a committee to meet with MBGDC to discuss combining specialties if the Monterey Club is willing. Committee members will consist of Megan, Bill and Everett. Everett will contact Kim Cross, President of MBGDC, to determine if and when a meeting can be held.

- Discussion on performance events led by Bill Labiak. Topics included difficulties in transitioning from performance events to conformation events and scheduling conflicts. The committee is considering the possibility of different day from conformation events and then to include all breeds. The club may want to consider trainings for club members interested in furthering their knowledge of performance events including, rally, obedience and CGC.
- Changes in performance events may happen for the 2016 specialties depending on further work by the performance committee.
- Motion made to include a “Versatile Dane” award made by Bill and seconded by Everett. Motion passed. Committee set up to delineate what the award would be comprised of including, but not limited to, more than one performance area (rally, obedience, GDC) and a conformation title (AKC and/or International?). Committee members are Debbie McMurdie, Bill Labiak and Kevin Forrest.
- Megan made a motion to accept the new fee structure as proposed by the show committee. This was seconded by Bill. Motion passed. Fees would be \$30 for regular classes; \$20 for sweeps, veterans and additional classes; \$23 for puppy classes and BBEX; \$15 for parades and non-regular classes; junior handlers would be \$10.
- Megan made a motion to follow the show committee’s recommendation and do away with welcome bags and the silent auction. This was seconded by Kate. Motion passed. Contributions to the GDCA Charitable Trust will now come out of raffle proceeds on a percentage basis still to be determined.
- Megan made the motion to charge for catalogs at a cost of \$7-12. Pre-ordered catalogs would cost less but the final price will need to be made with the input from our show secretary. Catalogs sold at the show will most likely cost \$10 for the two-day event. Motion was seconded by Kate and passed.
- Much discussion happened on the topic of turning over on-site show secretarial duties to a knowledgeable person who does not necessarily have to be a club member. The “show secretary” can not show in the ring but could have a dog entered. They would have the opportunity to “call a friend” and contact our off-site show secretary should a major issue arise. This would save the club \$500. Some members felt that this would be setting up someone to receive a lot of grief should a major incident occur. The motion was made by Megan and seconded by Bill. Six members voted to approve; four nays and 3 abstentions. Motion passed.
- Discussion followed regarding meals. The motion was made by Megan and seconded by Mabel to approve the show committee’s recommendations. The Friday Welcome potluck with the club contributing up to \$200. We would keep and expand the Saturday and Sunday hospitality. The Saturday and Sunday lunches would be contracted to a community service organization like Elk’s Club, Rotary Club, Special Olympics, etc. Exhibitors would pay for lunches and the club would be doing community outreach. Everett and Dorothy will contact organizations. Motion passed.

Everett has been filling in for Ceil Wardner in her capacity as supported entries chair person. He asked for a volunteer to purchase prizes and be the new contact person with our two supported entry shows: Golden Valley and Richmond Dog Fanciers. Kate Jackson volunteered to take over.

Vince Mulligan has generously offered to take us through a power point presentation of the Great Dane standard and is willing to share pictures of Great Danes he judged in Australia. We will contact him to see if he is available to do this at our second meeting in 2015.

It was assumed (incorrectly) that Denise Matulich would be attendance and as it was her birthday, Kate brought a delicious treat which we all shared in Denise's absence.

Lorrie Spencer moved to adjourn the meeting with Kevin seconding the motion. Meeting was adjourned at 12:30.

Respectfully submitted for Laura Craig in her absence by Everett Van Dyken.