

## **GDCNC Meeting: February 28,2015**

### **Attendance:**

*Board Members:* Kevin Forrest, Bill Labiak, Everett Van Dyken, Kate Jackson, Pat Dousman, Sam Gillette, Denise Matulich, Denise Williams, Sue Holbrook; *General Members:* Dorothy Forrest, Mabel Labiak, Sharon McCrary; *Excused Absences:* Debbie McMurdie, Lorrie Spencer

*Meeting called to order at 11:10am.*

**Additional Agenda Items:** Judge selection, late membership dues

**Corresponding Secretary's Report:** Approvals from AKC for rally, obedience and sweeps

**Treasurer's Report:** Reviewed January's financial report.

**Membership:** Pat Dousman

- Application received from Peter Timm, DVM
- New members will now be "published" in minutes and on GDCNC Facebook page.

**Ways and Means:** Denise Matulich

Club jackets are available and can be ordered one at a time. See Denise Matulich to order.

**Web Site:** Kate Jackson

- A "Support GDCNC" button has been added to the club's homepage so that we can take PayPal payments for trophy donations, membership dues, etc. via the clubsite.
- A link to GDCNC's Facebook page will be added.
- Members are encouraged to post brags and announcements to GDCNC's Facebook page

**Disciplinary Committee:** Sam Gillette

Our club bylaws require we have a Disciplinary Committee; nothing to report

### **Vacant Positions:**

We need volunteers for:

- Newsletter Editor
- Education Chair

**Sunshine Committee:** Michelle Gillette

Please notify Michelle when one of our members is seriously ill or worse. Everett asked Kate to include "Sunshine" link on our website.

**Show Report:** Kate Jackson (for Megan Hundley)

- Overnite Parking
  - Mick Galvin will volunteer to help Riney to park RVs on Friday, hoping to keep things calm and orderly
  - Members in RVs can begin parking at noon if they are helping with show setup
- Regular parking and show setup begins at 1pm on Friday; the show trailer will not arrive before then.
- Catalogs will be sold for \$8 (pre-ordered) and \$10 (on the day of show)
- Lunches at this year's specialty shows will be provided by the Knights of Columbus to benefit Special Olympics (a very worthwhile cause)
- Motion to comp lunches and parking for judges, judges' liaison and ring stewards (up to 5 stewards on Saturday and 3 on Sunday). Moved by Sharon McCrary; seconded by Bill Labiak. Passed.

- Motion to give toys to all entries in sweepstakes classes, matches, obedience and rally. No toys for class wins in conformation. Moved by Sam Gillette. Seconded by Kate Jackson. Passed.

**Unfinished Business:**

- We have a Facebook page (Great Dane Club of Northern California group) that members can use to post brags and announcements
- Our amended bylaws need to be approved by the parent club. Cindy Harwin is the contact person in charge
- *2016 Specialty Judges*  
In order of votes received: Jill Ferrera, Leon Reimert, Pam Winter, Donna Clark, Nikki Riggsbee, Christina Hubbell, John Walsh, Judy Harrington, Mary Ann Wilson, Linda Tonnancour, Robert Edison

**New Business:**

- *Judge Selection*  
Discussion on judges for our specialties ensued. Too many judges have judge recently at other specialties.
  - Motion to limit contracted judges to one year of no specialties in the Western States. Moved by Bill Labiak. Seconded by Everett Van Dyken. Motion failed.
  - Initial process of judges' selections will proceed as in the past. General ballot to go out by the end of November to achieve a "top 10". At our annual meeting, we will vote to rank the Top 10. This way we can take into account which judge has judged "local-ish" specialties. Motion made by Kate Jackson and seconded by Everett Van Dyken. Motion passed.
  - Kate Jackson volunteered to be on the judge selection committee along with the President, Show Chair, and possibly one other club member.
- *Membership Dues*  
Discussion regarding imposing a "late fee" for unpaid dues. Tabled until next meeting.

**Meeting Dates:**

- May 16 in Vallejo (may be subject to change)
- July 18 at Royce Farms Restaurant

*Meeting adjourned at 12:42pm.*