

GDCNC Membership & Board Meeting: July 18, 2015

Attendance

Present: Everett Van Dyken, Lorrie Spencer, Dail Koehler, Yvonne Messimer, Denise Matulich, Pat Dousman, Bill Labiak, Mabel Labiak, Megan Hundley, Michael Wilcoxon, Kevin Forrest, Kate Jackson, Sam Gillette, Michelle Gillette, Sue Holbrook, Denise Williams.

Excused: Debbie McMurdie, Lorraine Matherly

Meeting called to order at 11:15am by the president.

Motion to approve minutes from the February 28, 2015 meeting made by Bill Labiak and seconded by Sam Gillette. Motion passed.

Corresponding Secretary's Report:

- Rescue Danes in Florida
- Thank you note from Cathy de La Garza for judging our 2015 Specialty show
- National raffle tickets

Treasurer's Report:

April, May June budget reports, show budget report. The specialties ended on the positive side of the ledger. Trophy Chairs (Sam & Michelle) were applauded for their efforts.

Education Committee:

Yvonne Messimer volunteered be our new Education Chair. Please send ideas for seminars, health clinics, speakers and other ideas you have for possible GDCNC-sponsored educational events her way.

Membership:

- Kate moved to accept the memberships of Shalein Bonney, DVM and Peter Timm, DVM. Seconded by Denise Matulich. Motion passed.
- Motion to email new membership applicants in conjunction with posting on the club Facebook page made by Dail Koehler and seconded by Yvonne Messimer. Motion passed with Kate Jackson abstaining.
- Motion to add a standing rule clarifying that the club's Facebook page will serve as the club's newsletter made by Pat Dousman and seconded by Sam Gillette. Bylaws require new member applications be posted on the website (minutes) and in our newsletter. Currently no one has volunteered to take on publishing a newsletter. Motion passed.

Ways and Means:

Club jackets are still available for purchase directly from the supplier. Contact Denise Matulich for details.

Website: Kate Jackson

Show results and photos are posted. Members are encouraged to send their brags and pictures to Kate Jackson for posting to the website and/or the club's Facebook page so that they are posted by "Great Dane Club of Northern California" in the main section of the page.

Disciplinary Committee:

Nothing to report.

Show Committee:

- Motion to approve Megan Hundley and Sam Gillette as co-chairs made by Everett Van Dyken and seconded by Michelle Gillette. Megan will work the behind the scenes portion and Sam will be in charge of the on-site operations. Motion passed with Megan Hundley abstaining.
- Olga Maderych did a commendable job as the photographer. Contract will be awarded to Olga for the 2016 specialties.
- Lunches provided by the Knights of Columbus received favorable reviews.
- After a brief history and subsequent proposals by Megan Hundley, Everett Van Dyken made a motion which was seconded by Kate Jackson. In 2016, we will have one all-breed/specialty obedience show and one all-breed/specialty rally involving two judges at Saturday's specialty show. There will be a limit on number of entries. Positives included an increase in performance entries. Negatives included more ribbons, trophies and a possible impact on parking. Riney felt he could deal with the parking issue. Motion passed.

Awards Luncheon/Party:

Everett Van Dyken reported that we only had 12 members sign up for last year's awards brunch. Perhaps the location isn't convenient for people. Kate reported about the great success of another club's potluck party/meeting. Discussion ensued.

- Yvonne Messimer has offered the use of her property for our event. Thank you!!!
- Dogs are welcome and there is room for RVs.
- It will be a potluck affair; it will be advertised and a possible handling clinic or other special event may be planned.
- Awards will still be part of the affair.
- Tentative date is Saturday (December 5, 2015)
- Kate Jackson made the motion to have the Awards Party/Holiday Potluck at Yvonne and Dale's home to be held 12/05/15 with a second by Bill Labiak. Motion passed.

2017 GDCA National Division Chair and Show Chair:

Motion made by Kate Jackson and seconded by Dail Koehler to approve Mike Boa as Division Chairman and Everett Van Dyken as Show Chairman for the 2017 National Specialty to be held in Phoenix, AZ. Motion passed.

Amendment to By-Laws:

- Motion made by Everett Van Dyken and seconded by Bill Labiak to amend the By-Laws to allow "remote meeting" by board member. This would include mail, email, fax, and teleconference. Discussion ensued regarding the wording. Michelle Gillette graciously consented to utilizing her skills to reword the amendment. Motion passed.
- This amendment along with the auditing amendment passed in January will be forwarded on to the parent club for approval.

Florida Rescue Relief:

Motion to send \$500 to the De Soto Animal Control made by Kate Jackson and seconded by Yvonne Messimer. Over 100 Great Danes were rescued from deplorable conditions. The dogs

are being held as “evidence” at the animal control facility. The greatest need is for dog food. Amazon Smile program can also be used to send dog food directly. Motion passed.

GDCA Charitable Trust Fundraiser:

Raffle tickets for a Jerry Lobato sculpture are \$5. Lorraine Matherly had intended to be at the meeting but was unable to make it. Please contact her for details or go to the 2016 National specialty site.

GDCA National Room Raffle Tickets

Tickets for the GDCA raffle that includes lodging, meals and other great stuff are on sale now and each club is required to sell some. Lorrie Spencer sold the 21 tickets she brought to the meeting within minutes. More tickets are available on the 2016 National specialty site.

Supported Shows:

- We currently support four shows: two each for the Richmond Dog Fanciers and Golden Valley Kennel Club.
- Kate Jackson is our new supported entries chairperson. She voiced her concern with the limited budget of \$100 to cover “trophy” costs for four placements per show (16 awards total).
- Discussion followed as to what might constitute a “good award” (gift cards, health clinic certificates, ribbons, toys).
- Motion made by Michelle Gillette to increase the total budgeted amount to up to \$200. Motion seconded by Sam Gillette. Motion passed.
- Kate will address the board with type of awards, number of supported shows and award placements at a future meeting.
- Motion made by Bill Labiak and seconded by Sam Gillette to not present awards at the Richmond Dog Fanciers shows scheduled for August 1-2, 2015 since we missed the deadline to “officially” support the shows. Motion passed.

Next Meeting Dates:

- September 12 at the Vallejo shows following the conclusion of breed judging.
- October 10 at the Sonora shows following the conclusion of breed judging.
- November 14 for the Board only meeting at Royce Farms.
- Annual meeting is tentatively scheduled for January 9, 2016. We will be doing the final vote for our 2017 specialty judges and voting in three new board members at this meeting. Date will be finalized at the next meeting.

Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned at 1:10 PM by the president.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Everett Van Dyken in lieu of Debbie McMurdie.