

The Great Dane Club of Northern California
Annual Meeting
Saturday, January 12, 2019
11:00 AM
Mary's Pizza Shack
1460 Ary Lane, Dixon, CA

In Attendance: Sam Gillette, Michelle Gillette, Sue Holbrook, Steven Vigil, Linda Lauermann, Terri Hammond, Bruce Matulich, Denise Matulich, Barbara Kreszyn, Everett Van Dyken, Jan Purdy, Lorrie Spencer, Mick Galvin, Diana Wallace, Bill Labiak, Karen Sandler, Kate Jackson

Guests: Tom Holbrook, Robynn Moniz, Michael Slis, Elva Slis

Excused: Pat Dousman, Mabel Labiak, Kevin Forrest, Yvonne Messimer

A. Call to order: President Sam Gillette called the meeting to order at 11:17 a.m.

B. Approve agenda; call for additional agenda items

Kate Jackson M/S Michelle Gillette to approve the Agenda reviewed; no additional agenda items. MPU

C. Approve minutes of previous meetings

Kate Jackson M/S Bill Labiak to approve the minutes of September 15, 2018 and the business meeting minutes of November 17, 2018 as presented. MPU

D. Election of Officers and Board members: Everett Van Dyken M/S Bill Labiak to approve the following slate:

- **President:** Sam Gillette
- **Vice President:** Denise Matulich
- **Treasurer:** Bill Labiak
- **Corresponding Secretary:** Kate Jackson
- **Recording Secretary:** Mabel Labiak
- **GDCA Delegate:** Terri Burley-Hammond
- **Board Member:** Pat Dousman
- **Board Member:** Michelle Gillette
- **Board Member:** Kevin Forrest

E. Goals for 2019 and beyond: Sam Gillette reported on goals for 2019:

- Kathryn Netser moved and gave all of her historical items to Sam. Michelle has volunteered to be the historian for the club. Kate would be happy to digitize the items. Sam reported that several milestones for the club will be coming up soon and would like everyone to think about what could be done to commemorate them.
- Kate sent an invite to join Cal Federation. The club is already a member of Sacramento Valley. Sam would like help to see which ones we want to be members of.
- Sam stated it would be nice to memorialize awards on the website. If anyone has history, please share.
- Would like an ad hoc committee to look at Standing Rules and Bylaws to be sure we are following them and if they need to be updated. Michelle and Kate volunteered.

F. Gifts received by GDCNC for pursuit of Great Dane rescue: Kate reported that Bob Pors left the club all of his Great Dane paraphernalia. Terms of the trust were to raise funds for

rescue. Kate suggested an online auction. Michelle suggested a silent auction at the Specialty. The Pors Estate estimated value of the gift to be \$2,000 (including a \$500 check).

G. Report of the Corresponding Secretary: Kate Jackson reported:

Incoming:

- 9/23: Received from GDCA (email): Finalists for GDCA 2020 National Judging; forwarded to members 9/23
- 9/23: Received from DPCNV: Pat Hastings' Structure in Action Seminar announcement; forwarded to members 9/23
- 11/02: Received from GDCNC Nominating Committee: Proposed Slate of Candidates for 2019 GDCNC Board; forwarded to members 11/02
- 11/26: Received via email from Pors' Trust Trustee: Request to drop off Great Dane artifacts; they shipped them instead
- 11/27-28: Received 6 parcels from Pors' Trust
- 11/28: Received (US mail) letter from Pors' Trust & \$500 check
- 11/29: Sent members "official" nominating info & slate of candidates
- 12/08: Received from AKC via USPS (AKC sends to all club officers):
 - reminder to update officers after January's election
 - June 2017 notice to clubs about state tax filing/IRS reporting
 - November 2006 Chairman's Report about good financial practices & duties of the club treasurer
- 01/01: Received via email: California Federation of Dog Clubs info & membership application; forwarded to members 1/4

Outgoing:

- 11/27: Emailed Pors' Trustee acknowledging receipt of parcels
- 12/13: Emailed Pors' Trustee letter of thanks for \$500 donation and Great Dane articles

H. Report of the Treasurer

1. Budget report: Bill Labiak reported for September, October, November and December 2018—financial information is available to club members on request.

I. Report of the Committees

1. Education—Yvonne Messimer: No report
2. Membership—Pat Dousman: Sam reported that there are no new applications. Applications are available online.
3. Ways and Means—Denise Matulich: At the last meeting zip up hoodies were discussed. Cost ranges from \$23-\$27 depending on the size. Embroidery would be an additional \$7 and personalized would be an additional \$10. She will pursue if there is a lot of interest.
4. Web site—Kate Jackson: Check out the club history video on the website.
5. Discipline—Everett Van Dyken: No report
6. Show – Sam Gillette: AKC paperwork is done.
 - a. Will have 2 shows on Saturday and 1 on Sunday.
 - b. Sweeps will be on Sunday.

- c. Still do not have a contract from Riney.
- d. A ballot was passed around to vote for the Sweeps judge. Sam asked that everyone think about conformation judges for 2020 and bring top 3 suggestions to the next meeting.
- e. Debi Best is show secretary and will be updating the premium list
- f. There will not be performance this year
- g. Ribbons: Denise talked about bigger/better ribbons. Cindy Steiner has a great package for Rosettes. Denise proposes a 12-inch Rosette with 40-inch streamers. If we order a 3-day package they would throw in the 1st place ribbons (12 inches). There would be an initial set up fee but no charge for changes. Bid is roughly \$1,000. Michelle commented that people have voiced they love our trophies, but what's up with our ribbons? Michelle Gillette M/S Kate Jackson to move forward with purchase of better ribbons. Karen Sandler volunteered to donate \$500 toward the ribbons. Sam will contact those who have helped in the past—specifically, on challenge trophies. Karen Sandler volunteered to help.

J. Unfinished Business:

- **Kate reported:** The 1st draft of the premium list is due on Wednesday. She also asked if anyone would be interested in paying \$5 to have the judge go over the dog again after the show. She asked if anyone would be interested in having a handling clinic. Also, do we want to offer a “dog show” tour for education. Everett suggested Kate send an email to gauge the interest in a handling class.

K. New Business: None

L. Next Meeting Date: Saturday, February 16, 2019 and Saturday, March 23, 2019. Locations to be determined.

M. Adjournment: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:22 p.m.