

The Great Dane Club of Northern California
Business Meeting
Saturday, Sept 25, 2021
10:00 AM
Remote Network Meeting

In Attendance: Michelle Gillette, Sam Gillette, Bill Labiak, Mabel Labiak, Diana Wallace, Lorrie Spencer, Kate Jackson, Mick Galvin, Pat Dousman, Denise Matulich, Bruce Matulich, Kathy Bowler, Barbara Moffett, Dail Koehler

Guests: None

- **Call to order:** President Michelle Gillette called the meeting to order at 10:05 am
- **Approve agenda; call for additional agenda items:** No additions.
- **Approval of minutes—Meeting of August 11, 2021:** Bill Labiak M/S Kate Jackson to approve the minutes as presented. MPU
- **President’s Report:** included in other committee reports.
- **Report of the Corresponding Secretary**
 1. **Incoming/Outgoing Mail**
 - To Wanda Spediacci (Richmond Kennel Club). We usually support their shows, but will not be supporting them this year since it is in Oregon and opposite Woofstock with shows supported by MBGDC.
 - GDCA Bulletin shared with membership.
 - 2023 National Judges need to be voted on. This one is for the Western Division, which is our Division.
- **Report of the Treasurer**
 1. **Budget report:** Bill Labiak reported one transaction through August 2021. Financial information is available to club members on request.
- **Report of the Committees**
 1. **Show Committee:**
 - Kate Jackson working with MBGDC to offer sweatshirts and T-shirts for sale to celebrate the joint show. Preview of design donated by Brittany Williams shown.
 - Kate Jackson volunteers to be in charge of cardio clinic. Will develop a sign-up process.
 - COVID precautions:
 1. We will not host a Hospitality area this year.
 2. Mask policy – comply with state and county guidelines. We will recommend that people wear masks if not vaccinated, everyone must wear masks indoors, anyone who wants to mask outdoors feel free to do so. We will also check with the judges on their exhibitor masking preferences and state in Premium List that exhibitors must follow judge’s preference.

- Knights of Columbus being invited to offer lunches.
- Jennifer Robb has volunteered to be judges liaison for Saturday/Sunday shows. She can show at MBGDC shows on Friday.
- Lorrie Spencer will bring the trailer and is in charge of the joint raffle with MBGDC. All volunteers welcome.
- 1. **Education:** Melissa Pevy—no report.
- 2. **Membership:** Pat Dousman—no new membership applications posted. Kate Jackson discussed a new potential member involved in performance sports and believes she will submit an application.
- 3. **Ways and Means:** Michelle Gillette—nothing besides shirts offered at Specialty.
- 4. **Web site:** Kate Jackson—Keeping website updated.
- 5. **Discipline:** Everett Van Dyken—No report.
- **Unfinished Business**
 1. **Award plaques:**
 - Discussion of intent of rule change: We want to ensure that all aspects of our working dog breed is being celebrated. The intent of a change is to be more inclusive and expand awards given by our club to include more performance events.
 - Discussion of payment for plaques. Proposal to leave language general, as in “Award” to be given, instead of saying plaque or plate. That way the club can change what is given in future years without necessitating a rule change.
 - Detailed discussion of exact language to be used in proposed rewrite. Michelle to circulate another draft for discussion and a possible vote at the next meeting.
 2. **Legislative: Kathy Bowler**— The resolution that was introduced in the California State Assembly declaring an intention to only support “sensible and humane therapeutic veterinary procedures for companion animals” has been dropped.
- **New Business:** None
- **Next meeting date:** The business meeting will be held via Zoom on Tuesday, November 2, 2021, at 07:00 PM.
- **Adjournment:** There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:45 AM.