

The Great Dane Club of Northern California
Business Meeting
Wednesday, May 11, 2022
6:30 PM
Remote Network Meeting

In Attendance: Michelle Gillette, Bill Labiak, Mabel Labiak, Lorrie Spencer, Kate Jackson, Pat Dousman, Dail Koehler, Denise Matulich, Bruce Matulich, Terri Hammond, Mick Galvin, Cindy Harwin, Diana Wallace

Guests: None

- A. Call to order:** President Michelle Gillette called the meeting to order at 6:33 PM.
- B. Approve agenda; call for additional agenda items:** No additions. Kate Jackson M/S Pat Dousman to approve the agenda for May 11, 2022, as presented. MPU
- C. Approval of minutes—Meeting of March 15, 2022:** Bill Labiak M/S Dail Koehler to approve minutes with the correction of Steven Vigil's name under Show Committee Report from Seven to Steven. MPU

D. President's Report

- 1. GDCA Board position nomination:** Terri Hammond suggested Linda Cain as our official Club representative. Discussion ensued. Cindy Harwin M/S Bill Labiak to appoint Linda Cain the official GDCNC Club representative. MPU
- 2. Specialty Judges and Judge Selection Rules:** Kate Jackson compiled a list of names received for potential judges from club members. Will send that list out to everyone to review and submit their vote for six candidates. Judge selection committee will tally votes and present them to show chair to contact highest ranking judges for next two years. There was discussion to modify the Standing Rules regarding judge selection. Discussion ensued. If anyone would like to participate on the judge selection committee, please let Michelle know. Denise Matulich and Cindy Harwin expressed interest. Cindy Harwin stated that, according to AKC rules, judges are selected by the Show Chair. Discussion ensued regarding necessity of a committee. Kate suggests that Michelle rewrite the standing rules regarding judge selection and submit to members for review and/or approval. Michelle will send a revised standing rule to members for discussion at next meeting.

Kate Jackson brought up next show. Discussion ensued regarding arena versus lawn area; expense and necessity of extra help if held on the lawn. Kate brought up idea of co-chairs for show, with her being the AKC contact and dealing with paperwork, and Steven Vigil would be the on-site contact. Michelle will contact Steven to see if he wants to continue in his role assisting at the show. Discussion ensued.

E. Report of the Corresponding Secretary

1. Incoming Mail

- 4/16 from the GDCA: Affiliate Club news: Affiliate Club Specialties can be announced/advertised on the GDCA Facebook page; GDCA is looking for a new Affiliate Club Representative (ACR). If you're interested, contact

Denise dkmatulich@sbcglobal.net (GDCA Corresponding Secretary) or Cindy Harwin harwindane@comcast.net (the current ACR); shared with members 5/2.

- 4/26 from the Western Division: Club needs to vote on proposed logo for the 2023 Western Division National. Shared with members 4/27. After forwarding to members, I was privately advised that the Club Reps are making the decision so there's no need for a club vote. With that said, here's how GDCNC members voted: 7 for the feather & 9 for balloons.
- 5/2 from Cindy Harwin: Recommendation that the GDCNC nominate Linda Cain for Affiliate Club Representative (ACR).
- 5/2 via USPS: GDCA First Ballot for Conformation Judges for 2024 National

2. Outgoing Mail: None

F. Report of the Treasurer

- 1. Budget report:** Bill Labiak reported for March and April 2022. Additionally, he presented summary reports for the November 2021 and April/May 2022 Specialties. Financial information is available to club members on request.

G. Report of the Committees

- 1. Show Committee:** Michelle Gillette thanked people who donated time and additional money (i.e., hospitality, water, judge's transportation, etc.).
 - Per Michelle, Laura Munro said we had six people enter the Match.
 - The silent auction made \$225.
 - We need more participation for people to bring donations to raffle, including more dog and Dane related items.
 - The numbers were low. Dail Koehler noted that the Great Dane Club of California had about the same number of entries as we had.
 - Kate Jackson brought up the issue regarding where we are allowed to walk dogs. Need to clarify with Sycamore Lane what is allowed. Signage for parking was vague to none. Again, need to clarify where we are allowed to park.
- 2. Education:** Michelle Gillette reported for Melissa Pevy. There were no participants on the Friday evening following the Match for either Trick Dog or CGC. Is there any interest in attending CGC or Trick Dog classes? Cindy Harwin asked if it might be possible to have a demonstration during lunch.
- 3. Membership:** Pat Dousman—New application from Melissa and David Fox, sponsored by Ryn and Melissa Pevy; have been published once. Pat will publish again before the next meeting.
- 4. Ways and Means:** No report.
- 5. Web site:** Kate Jackson—Show results are posted. Waiting to receive photos from photographer.
- 6. Discipline:** Michelle Gillette for Sam Gillette—Nothing to report.

H. Unfinished Business—None

I. New Business

1. **Review Standing Rules:** Michelle Gillette requests that members review the Standing Rules and make suggestions to her if there is something that should be changed or updated. There are revisions in progress, and it would be nice to make any other changes at the same time.
 2. **Officers for next year:** We need to start thinking about officers and board positions for next year. We send the official notice out in summer regarding the election. This year we will have openings for president, treasurer, recording secretary as well as open board positions. We will have a lot of positions to fill. If anyone is interested in being on the Board or filling an officer position, please be ready to notify the Nominating Committee once it is established.
- J. Brags**—Will review at next meeting.
- K. Next meeting date:** At 6:30 PM on Wednesday, July 6, 2022, via Zoom.
- L. Adjournment:** There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:46 PM.