



# Great Dane Club of Northern California

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## Zoom Meeting: Monday, May 19, 2025 @ 6:30pm

**In Attendance:** Michelle Gillette, Sam Gillette, Jack Riggsbee, Bill Labiak, Pat Dousman, Denise Matulich, Terri Burley-Hammond, Laura Munro, Everett Van Dyken, Melissa Pevy, Jennifer Robb, Dail Koehler, Carrie Michaelson, Kate Jackson, Kathy Bowler

**Guests:** Grant Michaelson

- A. **Call to order:** President Denise Matulich called the meeting to order at 6:33 pm
- B. **Approve agenda; call for additional agenda items:** to approve the agenda as presented. Kate Jackson, Bill Labiak second. MPU
- C. **Approval of Minutes:** to approve April 22, 2025 minutes as presented. Bill Labiak, Kate Jackson second. MPU
- D. **President's Report**
  - 1. Terri and Denise need to submit the Division Club Representative (DCR) ballot. GDCNC will nominate Everett Van Dyken for Division Chair, Robin Blackburn for Show Chair, Steven LeBlanc for Division Secretary, and Kathy Munyan for Division Treasurer. Bill Labiak, Michelle Gillette second. MPU
  - 2. Judge selection committee selected. Kate Jackson chair, Carrie Michaelson and Terri Burley-Hammond sent an email to the membership requesting suggestions for judges to be submitted to the committee by Wednesday, May 21. The committee will send out the list that was submitted and ask members to pick the top four.
- E. **Report of the Corresponding Secretary**
  - 1. Incoming Mail
    - a. 4/28 from AKC Government Relations: Bill (AB 1482) to Regulate Hobby Breeders Considered TOMORROW; shared with members 4/28
    - b. 4/29 from the GDCA: Need to nominate a new GDCA Affiliate Club Representative; asked Denise to make agenda item for next meeting
    - c. 4/30 from AKC Government Relations: Hobby Breeder Bill Advancing, Contact the Appropriations Committee; shared with members 5/1

- d. 5/8 from Kathy Bowler; A reminder that AB 1482 is advancing & how/who to contact; shared with members 5/9
  - e. 5/10 from Great Dane Club of America Charitable Trust: Osteosarcoma Study - UPDATE!; shared with members 5/12
  - f. 5/14 from the AKC: Closeout Notices for our 2025 Shows
2. Outgoing Mail
- a. None

#### F. Report of the Treasurer

- 1. Terri shared the income and expense report for the April shows.
- 2. Terri showed Profit & Loss statement (11/1/24-5/19/25).

#### G. Report of the Committees

- 1. **Show Committee:** Kate Jackson
  - a. Kate asked if we need to change the match start time. We agreed we can schedule the match at 4pm and if we can't get set up in time, we can push it to 4:30.
  - b. It would be helpful to have more people available early in the morning to get ready for the show. With the rain this year, there was more work than usual to get the tables ready.
  - c. If there are any concerns about the show secretary, reach out to Kate. None were noted.
  - d. There was some trouble getting the right trophies set up for the appropriate class awards. Dail and Mabel have come up with a plan to have it go smoother next year.
  - e. The photographer had issues getting to the show, and getting pictures to exhibitors so we do not want to use him again. We need to work on getting someone else assigned for next year. His daughter Sharlene is taking over the business and may be available. We also have Brianna and CaliCoast to check into.
  - f. Two judges did not include food in their expenses. The club agrees to reimburse up to a specific amount and the judges submit receipts for reimbursement.
  - g. We offered reimbursement up to \$1100 for judges. Kate will use that figure again this year and if there is push back, we can discuss it again.
  - h. Hospitality was awesome. The Keurig was great and the variety of snacks was good. Only request was to have some hot chocolate next year.
  - i. The ribbons were not up to the quality we want. Denise is on the calendar with Calisto Ribbons for all 6 shows in Lodi next year. They will be more expensive, but we need better quality.
- 2. **Education:** Carrie has nothing new to report, but thank you to Terri for her presentation. The feedback was good and we even had some non-exhibitors attend.
- 3. **Membership:** Pat Dousman – we received one application from Theresa Bielawski. She has been published once.

4. **Ways and Means:** Lorrie Spencer – not present.
5. **Web site:** Kate Jackson—2025 show winners with links to pictures is done.
6. **Discipline:** Bill Labiak—nothing to report.
7. **Legislation:** Kathy Bowler reported that HB 1482 that has some language implicitly blaming breeders for overcapacity issues in shelters. It is on schedule for this week in assembly appropriations.

H. **Unfinished Business:** none.

I. **New Business:**

1. Some of the canopies are very worn and need new tops. We can get new tops for about \$70 each.
2. There is a lot of stuff in the trailer we are not using. We should get rid of things we are not using.
3. Denise wants to have a discussion on the perpetual trophies to clear up how they are managed with respect to retirement. We need to get clear language in the standing rules. Dail offered to write up something for us to start with.

J. **Next meeting date:** The next meeting date is Monday, July 21, 2025 at 6:30pm via Zoom.

K. **Adjournment:** There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 pm.