

GDCNC Meeting: January 31, 2009

The meeting was called to order on January 31, 2009, at 11:03 a.m. by Kathryn Netser. In attendance were officers and board members Kathryn Netser, Peter Fredotovich, Everett Van Dyken, Dana Wardner, Mabel Labiak, Laura Craig, Nancy Hawkes, Bill Labiak, Conley Netser, Pepper Riddle, and Brittany Williams. Jane Chopson was absent. Additionally, fourteen club members and one guest were in attendance.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS—Pat Dousman introduced her husband, Mick Dousman.

MINUTES—On a motion by Everett Van Dyken, seconded by Pete Fredotovich, the minutes of November 15, 2008 were approved as presented. Passed.

ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS—None.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

New place for Holiday / Awards Brunch—The Pleasanton Hotel has closed its doors. Ann English and Bari Castello have checked out The Liberty House, a restored old hotel in Pittsburg. It is located downtown by the water. They can provide a brunch, not on the order of the Pleasanton Hotel, but less expensive. Mabel Labiak made a motion, seconded by Barbara Moffett, to hold the GDCNC Annual Holiday/Awards Brunch at The Liberty House in Pittsburg. Passed.

Ann English and Bari Castello will draw up a contract and make necessary arrangements with the restaurant. Ann English will use the \$100.00 refund she got back from the Pleasanton hotel to put down on the Liberty House for a deposit.

Barker—Thanks and congratulations to Brittany and Denise Williams for doing such a great job on the *Barker*.

Meeting Minutes—The President stated that the meeting minutes need to have a bit more detail in the motions.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT

Incoming:

- GDCA 4th Quarter Bulletin.
- 11/26/09—Welcome letter from the Sacramento Council of Dog Clubs, Inc.
- 12/01/08—GDCA Charitable Trust letter approving an educational grant in the amount of \$1000.
- AKC letter approving Sandra Petrari as sweepstakes judge for the 6/6/09 Contra Costa KC supported show.
- B-Match & Obedience flyer from Sacramento Valley Dog Fanciers Association. March on Saturday (3/7/09) at Dixon Fairgrounds.
- Sacramento Council of Dog Clubs flyer for symposium to be held February 7: Thyroid, Vaccine and Nutrition issues with Dr. Jean Dodds; cost is \$100.

Outgoing:

- 11/2008—Letter to GDCNC members announcing candidates for board members and officers.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Account balances are available to members on request.

There was discussion about how to use trophy donation monies versus supported entries monies. Discussed the possibility of setting up a Trophy fund that can be used for supported entries as well. Trophy donation money collected for the GDCNC specialty is for the Specialty any extra collected goes into profit. Supported entries awards typically go to Best of Breed, Best of Opposite Sex, Winner's Dog, and Winner's Bitch, donations would have to be specifically for supported entries.

Dana has done an exceptional job in his ten years as Treasurer for the GDCNC.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES:

Education

Barbara Moffett reported that the annual education seminar was awesome. Attendees want to know what comes next. The seminar brought in over \$8000; spent about \$5500; leaving a profit of \$2449.97. Barbara Moffett made a motion, seconded by Ann English that the profit stays in education. Passed.

There were unexpected expenses for Dr. Hutchinson including, but not limited to, a request for a rental car in addition to being picked up from the airport and an airline cost of over \$600, compared to a cost of about \$400 for Dr. Orlandi. A detailed summary of education expenses and income is attached.

There are no plans for a seminar next year. Barbara Moffett announced that she is resigning from the education position.

Membership

New members Steven Bakondi and Greg Schuler, Corrine Meservey, and Bree Williams have been published twice and need to be voted on.

Show

- Everything needs to be submitted to Everett Van Dyken for the premium list by Wednesday, February 4, 2009.
- There are two volunteers for the auction committee, looking for one more.
- Need a person to volunteer for decorations and the centerpieces.
- Need volunteers to transport judges from/to the airport.
- There will be a Match and barbeque (Pete Fredotovich) will handle the BBQ on Friday.
- There are two sweepstakes this year.
- Obedience and Rally will be held Saturday morning.
- Junior Showmanship is scheduled for Sunday only.
- Ceil and Dana Wardner are in charge of judges' hospitality.
- Pete Fredotovich will oversee "general" hospitality.
- Pat Gallup is getting trophies appropriately engraved.
- If you wish to volunteer for anything—see Everett.
- Kitty Kenyon will offer OFA cardios for the cost of \$180. Kitty works with a human cardiologist who does echos, but Kitty will sign off as the attending veterinarian. If members know of other sources who will perform this exam, must let Everett know by Wednesday, February 4, 2009.
- Pete Fredotovich has carts he purchased for show use in his truck if anyone wants to see them.
- Pete Fredotovich would like to be included in the group that goes to view the Sycamore Lane show site.

Supported Entries—Ceil Wardner reported (and showed members) that boxes created by Barbara Kreszyn would be handed out as trophies for the Merced shows on Friday and Saturday. For the Saturday and Sunday Woofstock show (2 days only) at Vallejo in June, a lava lamp will be given for Best of Breed, then colored hand towels with Woofstock on them for other trophies. Sandra Petrari is the sweeps judge for the June 6 Contra Costa show.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Detailed list of missing challenge trophies — There were only two trophies missing from the challenge trophies and they have been replaced.

NEW BUSINESS

Standing Rules:

#23 The mid-summer publication of the Barker will include announcement to members in good standing that they should notify the President or Vice-President of the GDCNC if they are interested in seeking the nomination for a board or officer position and indicate their preference. (11/15/08)

#24 Upon the appointment of a Nomination committee, notification will be sent to all members in good standing as to the members of the committee and encourage those seeking to run for an office or board position to contact a member of the committee stating their preference. (11/15/08)

Bill Labiak made a motion, seconded by Pete Fredotovich that the By-laws be published on the GDCNC web site. Discussion ensued as to whether or not the By-laws should, in fact, be published on the web site or not. On a vote by the members, twenty-four (24) in favor; one (1) opposed. Passed. There was further discussion as to whether or not the Standing Rules should be published on the GDCNC web site. While no motion was made, the majority of members agreed that the Standing Rules are fluid and would not be practical to publish on the GDCNC web site.

Barbara Moffett suggested that the GDCNC check with Umpqua Bank regarding the procedure to properly obtain and use a credit card machine for members to pay dues, make donations at the auction, registration fees for educational seminars, purchasing speaker's books, etc. She noted that PayPal worked very well for registration to the education seminar. Pete Fredotovich will check out use of a credit card machine, procedure for obtaining and operating same, and costs.

Election of Officers and Board of Directors:

Denise Williams read the letter of January 31, 2009, which was submitted to Officers, Board Members and Regular Members of the GDCNC. The Nominating Committee submitted the following as nominees:

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| President | Nancy Hawkes | Corresponding Secretary..... | Everett Van Dyken |
| Vice President | Peter Fredotovich | Recording Secretary..... | Mabel Labiak |
| Treasurer..... | Bill Labiak | Delegate | Jane Chopson |
| Board: | Laura Craig | Pat Dousman | Jenny Kenton |
| | | | Terry Toops (1 year term) |

Denise Williams made a motion, seconded by Everett Van Dyken, to accept the slate as proposed. Passed.

Election of New Members:

Everett Van Dyken made a motion, seconded by Judy Benjamin, to approve Steven Bakondi and Greg Schuler, Corrine Meservey, and Bree Williams as new members of the GDCNC.

Vote on Honorary / Founding Member:

Everett Van Dyken will talk to Jane Chopson to see whether she wants to be only an Honorary member or continue as a paying member in order to keep her Delegate standing on the Board.

Everett Van Dyken made a motion, seconded by Bill Labiak, to confer honorary membership to Jane Chopson contingent on her agreeing to accept such membership, but still pay her dues in order to maintain her Board position as Delegate. Passed.

Meeting Schedule:

February 21, 2009 at Royce Farms (11:00 a.m.)—open meeting
March 21, 2009 at Vallejo (after BOB)—open meeting
May 16, 2009 at Vallejo (after BOB)—open meeting

Members were reminded to turn in their judges' nominations forms today.

ADJOURNMENT

Nancy Hawkes moved that the meeting be adjourned; Kathryn Netser seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 12:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:
Mabel Labiak, Recording Secretary