Call to order at 8 pm by President Rhonda Dalton


A quorum is present.

Notification that the meeting is being recorded

Approval of previous Meeting Minutes

Motion 20200102.01 to approve the Meeting Minutes from December 27, 2019 by Ellie. Hearing no objections, the minutes are approved.

President’s Report:
1. Laurie Greaney, Service Dog Award Chair, has reached out to Judy Skorup, Versatility Chair. Laurie has been informed that any new proposal is too late for 2020. Rhonda will also request to be copied on all emails to Versatility, and Laurie to resubmit her proposal once approval has been given by Versatility.
2. Marcy and Rhonda have been working to get the paperwork done for the 2020 National. Marcy has been in contact with AKC and can elaborate during the VP Report.
3. Bret Zacher, Sportsmanship Award Chairman was emailed on December 21, 2019.
4. Committee Reports form has been updated and will go out to committee chairs this week.
5. COE Committee document was sent to the BOD on 12/26/19.
6. A letter was sent to the AKC requesting the approval of a Temperament Test title for Great Pyrenees. Approval was granted.
7. I sent a Thank You letter to Tami Martin for the Great Pyrenees Club of Australia donation to the GPCA National Specialty and World Conference.
8. Emergency Rescue funds were approved as requested by Janet Ingram in the amount of $2,000 (two thousand dollars), for Missouri Great Pyrenees Rescue, from the Rescue funds. The money was needed for 10 Pyrs rescued from Polaski, IA. BOD requests that they be copied on those requests so they know what it is for should they be asked.
9. The Financial Manager contract will be the same as last year’s, but with the extended date as approved during the December 27, 2019 meeting.

Vice President’s Report:
1. All Regional Specialties up to June have been approved.
2. Still need the results from the GPCMM show.
3. Marcy has attempted to reach Bret Zacher since their last communication on November 7, 2019.

She has updated the sites info and dates for the AKC paperwork concerning the 2020 National Specialty. None of the judges have been approved yet. The GPCA will be fined for late paperwork, and the fine increases with each day it isn’t done. GPCA needs to keep in mind that foreign judges must be AKC approved at least 6 months in advance.
Motion 20200102.02 by Vince that we add a special meeting on Sunday, January 5, 2020 at 8 pm to discuss only the 2020 National Specialty and Sportsmanship Award Committee. Passed unanimously.

Motion 20200102.03 by Whit to use the GPCA credit card to pay for AKC paperwork and fines associated with the 2020 National Specialty. Passed unanimously.

Treasurer’s Report: no report

Secretary’s Report:
1. All missing minutes since Jan 2019 have been added to website.
2. Q4 Secretary report and Minutes since October 2019 have been emailed to the Bulletin and Website.

Unfinished Business:
1. Ellie will reach out to the member regarding becoming the club’s Registered Agent now that the holidays are over; she will report back to the BOD at the next meeting.
2. Drop Box document 1POL000GPCA “Policies” has an updated titled of “1POL000.” The document type is “Policies.” Discussion will be tabled for February 6th meeting.
3. Rhonda has not heard of any updates regarding the Disaster Preparedness Committee.
4. Amy and Ellie sent the Judge’s Education Mentor list criteria that is included in the JEC guidelines. It states:
   Eligibility: Any person who meets the GPCA criteria of 12 years or more in the breed, bred 5 litters on premises, finished 4 AKC Champions or is an AKC Approved Great Pyrenees Conformation Judge, and has been a member of GPCA for at least 12 years.
   Responsibilities: Judges’ Education Mentor should not be prejudicial in any manner. The role is not to be taken as entitlement to lead people towards certain dogs and away from other dogs.
   A Judges’ Education Mentor has the responsibility to the fancy to conduct them self in the highest sense of sportsmanship.
   Annually provide AKC Judges’ Operations Department with an updated list of GPCA Approved Judges’ Education Mentors.
   Whitney requests the full guidelines; Amy shall send.
5. Best Bred-By competition info will be passed on to 2021 National Committee when that National has a Chair.
6. Marcy had asked Amy to hold off sending her the 2021 National Specialty Committee list until Marcy is done with the AKC paperwork for this year’s National.
7. Jo reported that she and Lisa have updated a Master List of items to be included in every Bulletin for themselves and the publisher.
8. Discussion regarding the Code of Ethics Committee’s proposal included: a total rewrite appears to be geared towards Breeders, portions of existing Code of Ethics are missing in the new
document, the committee’s research into what other breed clubs are doing, creation of forms/procedures, what was the original BOD directive to the Code of Ethics Committee, and still a need to include things like cyberbullying.

**Motion 20200102.04 by Dave to table the COE proposal until we know the exact BOD motion that outlined the directive the committee was given.** Passed unanimously.

Ellie and Amy will look through the Motion Log to report back to the BOD.

9. Bylaw proposed revisions Article V Section 2

**Motion 20200102.05 by Vince to strike out completely the proposed Bylaw revision Article V, Section 2, old “D” and new “C” (Ethics committee).** Discussion regarding deletion of just verbiage in this section, to be added later. Discussion that this section is entitled Section “Types of Committees” and outlines the difference between “standing committees” and “special/ad hoc committees” without going into a specific committee’s procedures and policies but keeps those procedures and policies under each committee’s guidelines document. Discussion that COE committee guidelines have not been approved yet, but those that have been proposed are different from what is being proposed by the Bylaw Review Committee.


10. Bylaw proposed revisions Article VI Section 2

**Motion 20200102.06 by Vince to delete the red areas in Article VI, Section 2 and reinstate the sections that were deleted by the Review Committee in the current Bylaws, except changing that first sentence to allow for an electronic submission and increased sum.** Discussion.

**Motion 20200102.06 rescinded by maker.**

Article VI Section 2 and subsequent Sections and Articles tabled until Feb meeting.

**New Business:**

1. Jo will create a policy as to what needs to go into each National Specialty Bulletin issue as well as a policy regarding Regional and National Bulletin advertising.

2. Jo also requested that Marcy clearly identify which obedience events are for the Regional vs. National since Jo is the National Specialty Obedience Chair.

3. Per Ellie- this is the official notice of the special meeting this Sunday at 8 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 10 pm by President Rhonda Dalton.

Respectfully submitted,
Ellie Schultz, GPCA Secretary