Call to order 8:06 pm, ET by President Rhonda Dalton


There is a quorum present.

Notification that the meeting is being recorded

Motion 20200305.01 Approval of previous Meeting Minutes from February 6, 2020 as amended. Passed unanimously.

President’s Report:
No report

Vice President’s Report:
Marcy is attempting to get the Regional Club reports. The AZ Pyrs club has ceased as of March 1, 2020.

Treasurer’s Report:
No report

Secretary’s Report:
1. Received thank you note for participating in Meet the Breeds. Scanned and emailed to FL and GSGPR clubs.

2. Sent a letter to lawyer that is currently the club’s Resident Agent, asking if there is another lawyer in his firm that would take over the position and if his practice can send us a copy of the club’s Articles of Incorporation. Those Articles will be scanned into the club’s Drop Box when received.

3. Received a request from a member for Meeting Minutes from 2009-2015. I have all of 2009. In the process of obtaining the rest. Drop Box only goes back to 2016. Any minutes received will be scanned and added to Drop Box for future use as well as given to the requesting member.

4. Ellie is creating a list of outstanding BOD items for organization in the next several months.

Unfinished Business:
1. National Specialty & World Conference. The tent is ordered and Karen has sent the deposit. The generator costs should be $2,100-$2,200. If all spaces in tent are sold, we should make $200. We need extensive extension cords (will be more of a problem for inside-grooming). Photographer has a contract. Vince will ensure that there are pictures of the Top 20 (last year, she had the wrong lens). All vendors will be outside the ballroom. Once the club tables are put inside, there is not enough room to put vendors inside. Premium grooming reservation discussed. Amy will take care of the reservation issue. Nothing we can do about COVID-19 right now. It will affect us financially; we still have a contract with the hotel and other contracts. Rhonda tried to get hand sanitizer; it is sold out. Rhonda will reply to an email that she received. We will ask our AKC Delegate,
Bob Brown, for policies that he may be getting. The BOD will put something on the website that we are monitoring the situation, with the CDC and WHO links.

2. Jo asked pertinent questions regarding policies as to what needs to go into each National Specialty Bulletin as well as regarding Regional and National Specialty Bulletin advertising. She will have something for us next month.

3. Amy fixed the typos in the manual document 1POL000 “GPCA Policies” that is in Drop Box.

Motion 20200305.02 by Amy to approve Management System Document 1POL000 GPCA Policies. Passed unanimously.

Motion 20200305.03 by Ellie to red-line Motion 20170411.02 regarding Junior Members in Management System Document 1POL000 GPCA Policies that is in conflict with the Bylaws. Passed unanimously.

4. Ellie sent the letter to the law firm that is listed as the club’s Resident Agent. She will call them next week.

5. Rhonda has not reconvened the COE Committee and doesn’t foresee doing so until after the National.

6. No report on the 2021 National Specialty

7. Regarding the Service Dog Award Committee: Laurie McDonough Greaney spoke with Judy Skorup and received approval that Laurie’s new committee guidelines were not coinciding with the Versatility guidelines.

Motion 20200305.04 by Rhonda to accept the Service Dog Award Committee guidelines as proposed by the Chairman Laurie McDonough Greaney and as agreed upon by the Versatility Committee Chairman. Discussion regarding date “XX” in first section that needs to be changed to “during the first quarter” and a list of typos. Ellie will send the list of typos to Amy. Passed unanimously.

8. The Financial Manager and Tabulator contracts have been uploaded to DropBox.

9. The proposal for the 2022 National received does not meet the AKC’s required minimum ring size. This particular proposal cannot be accepted due to that requirement.

10. Email Communications- guidelines tabled until April 2nd meeting.


Motion 20200305.05 by Vince that we hold a Special Board Meeting, topic Bylaws, on March 17, 2020 at 8 pm, ET. Passed unanimously.

New Business:

1. Legislative Committee- Ellie was unaware that she had to update the GPCA’s Legislative contact to Chea Michaels, as this task is not included in the GPCA Secretary Policy document. Ellie will add this task to that document. Rhonda was able to find the AKC’s Online Interactive Legislative Center; she will tell Chea to log on to the site and sign herself up for the latest news on dog legislation.

2. Director Responsibility & Procedures Document 2DIR100 needs to be modified so that the bench show committee description is the same body in the beginning of the National and remains the same throughout the National week, rather than a new committee forming after the Annual Meeting.
3. Per the Meeting Minute request of the Secretary: it is permissible to give an inquiring member
    past minutes, if they are readily available in Drop Box or their personal files. If a
    member requires additional past Minutes, that member should ask the Historical
    Preservation committee for Minutes that are not readily available in Drop Box or in their
    personal files. Ellie will add that to the Secretary policies to be approved at the next
    BOD meeting.

4. The Canine Health Foundation is overseeing a dwarfism project for us and has approved an
    extension of research for Grant 02400-MOU: Basis of Dwarfism in Great Pyrenees,
    through June 2020 and approved an additional $3,800 in funding.

    Motion 20200305.06 by Rhonda to approve the Health Committee to send an
    additional $3,800 to extend Grant 02400-MOU through June, 2020. Passed
    unanimously.

Adjournment at 10:05 pm, ET by President Rhonda Dalton.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellie Schultz, GPCA Secretary