

**Great Pyrenees Club of America, Inc**  
**Board of Directors Emergency Meeting March 14, 2020**  
*Conference Call*

**Called to Order** at 9:02 pm, ET by President Rhonda Dalton

**Roll Call:** Marcy Bankus, Vince Chianese, Whitney Coombs, Rhonda Dalton, Dave Daugherty, Greg Mills, Ellie Schultz, Jo Stubbs present. Absent: Amy Zacher

*A quorum is present.*

***Notification that the meeting is being recorded.***

**President Rhonda Dalton:**

This emergency meeting was called regarding the 2020 National. Since Vince and Whitney have been working on everything, so I will hand this discussion over to them over where we stand at the moment.

**New Business:**

*Per Whitney Coombs:* We will continue to go forward until somebody in the city, state or national government level tells us to cancel. If we are forced to cancel the show, we will absorb several areas of expense. But we will work with the hotel with the probability of being able to reschedule the 2020 National and World Conference for 2021. He recommends in the event of a cancellation, to slide everything back one year so that Jean Pero would judge the 2020 National in 2021 and Tami the 2021 National in 2022, hoping that the Chicago and California clubs have not gone too far ahead in their planning. There is a commitment in the Constitution and Bylaws to hold an Annual Meeting once a year during a specified period of time. it is a requirement. Whitney will talk to BaRay on Monday morning to ascertain the details there if we need to cancel or postpone. Until such time we are forced to cancel, the show goes on.

Vince reported that he has been in contact with the Keeshond club every day [their National is the week before ours at the same hotel]. Their club does not have a clause with guaranteed room counts in their hotel contract. Their hotel night fee is slightly higher than ours, to enable them to keep that clause out of their contract. In our contract, we have guaranteed at least 450 nights. Vince has asked their club for a copy of their contract so that we can use something similar in the future. The Keeshond club is waiting to make a determination about their National exactly one day before entries close. The Kees Club thinks they will lose about \$10,000- \$15,000 from things in their contract that are guaranteed, but it is better than the \$65,000 we could lose.

Vince talked to Jordan at the Founders Inn on Thursday. They are proceeding normally until they are told otherwise. Pressed further, Jordan said the hotel will consider working with us, as they have the Leonberger Club, if rescheduling is necessary. Rescheduling options discussed.

Annual Meeting options were discussed.

The BOD will make a decision by April 6<sup>th</sup>, a couple of days prior to the closing date for entries.

Discussion on handling the concerns of members. Rhonda will put a statement on Facebook from the GPCA President Facebook account ASAP and the website page that we had a meeting tonight, and options were discussed.

A few minutes before the Special Meeting on Tuesday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, we will discuss Whit's conversation with BaRay.

Ellie asked how the BOD wants her to respond to emails coming to her through the website. Consensus not to respond until Tuesday when the BOD discusses BaRay, but will include Rhonda's statement on Facebook.

World Conference tours will not be guided tours if there are less than 10 people, it will strictly be on our own.

Whit will get in touch with Christina Chapman to defer on her aspects of the show and her hotel reservations. By Tuesday, Vince will get a reservation list from the Founders Inn as it stands right now.

The World Conference is not cancelled at this time, as the travel ban is in effect through mid-April and does not cover the week of the World Conference.

Rhonda thanked everyone for jumping in, sharing and communicating. We had some good ideas and plans and have plans B, C, and D to go forward.

Meeting adjourned at 9:58 pm, ET by Ellie Schultz