

GPCA
Board Meeting Minutes April 30, 2018
Colorado Springs, CO

Called to order at: 9:16 a.m. MST by President, Valerie Seeley

Roll Call

Present: Bob Brown, Vince Chianese, Whitney Coombs, Karen Justin, Deanna Knighten, Kathy Lee, Kathy Liles, Valerie Seeley, Amy Zacher

Absent: none

Quorum present? Yes

Others Present: none

Votes by Email

Approved

20180317.01	GPCA host the 2020 World Conference in conjunction with the 2020 National Specialty.
20180325.01	GPCA purchase a Canon Vixia HF G40 camcorder with MSRP of approx \$1000.
20180329.01	Approve BOD Meeting Minutes of March 27 2018
20180418.01	The BOD supports and endorses the activities of the JEC.

Defeated

None

Approve meeting minutes of 18Apr2018

Motion 20180430.01 by Amy: Approve meeting minutes of 18Apr2018
(approved on 1May2018)

President's Report

The whole Board will be meeting with the Parliamentarian at 12 in the Exec Boardroom before the Annual meeting. The Parliamentarian has the ability to run the annual meeting if we would like. There was discussion.

VP's Report:

1. **Affiliated Clubs**

Of 23 clubs got 22 reports. The GPCWP is not going to remain affiliated. They are now on suspension for a year. Klee reviewed the report that will be presented at the Annual Meeting.

2. **2019 National Specialty financial split**

Motion 20180430.02 by KLee- For 2019 National Specialty GPCMM will not use any GPCA money and will receive 80% profit and GPCA will receive 20%. Passed unanimously.

3. **National Specialties.** Discussion on locations and the Board being presented with alternatives. Klee has asked Bret for an update 2020. Bret is still negotiating the new venue for 2019. Klee & Karen need to review 2019 & 2020.

Secretary's Report:

1. **Total Membership** currently 562. At the annual meeting 10% will be 56.
2. **Membership Growth** was discussed by the Board.

Treasurer's Report:

1. **Annual Income/Expense Summary and Annual Designated Funds** were distributed. Judy Brown prepared these. Whoever is treasurer can move the account to a bank that is convenient. The President & Treasurer must be signers.
2. **Bonding of Treasurer**
Karen will verify that the Treasurer is bonded.
3. **Auditing**
Karen suggested that our Books need to be audited.

Old Business:

1. **Livestock Guardian Dog Committee**

The report was received late. We need to modify the guideline to clearly state that the role is to refer people to LGD identified members. We will ask Joe to list all the members identified as LGD on the website. Discussion about reaching out to the people using Pyrs as LGDs. Bob suggested that we include a LGD article in the Bulletin to try to get LGD owners to take interest in the GPCA. Discussion about the breeding programs and sales terms of the LGD owners. Mary has been responsible for placing the ads in LGD magazines but there is no mention of ads in her report. Val suggested writing an article for one of the LGD magazines. Bob reviewed a research program being done on LGDs. Bob suggested that we contact the Anatolian & Kuvasz club to see what they are doing with LGD.

Motion 20180430.03 by KLiles: Mary will report back to the BOD regarding LGD outreach activities by the Anatolian & Kuvasz national clubs by Nov 1, 2018. Passed unanimously.

Motion 20180430.04 by Whit: The Secretary will contact the US Dept Agriculture to ask what magazines are read by sheep/goat farmers. Passed unanimously.

2. **Companion and Performance Events Committee**

Committee did not file a report. Klee will talk with Erina regarding continuing as chair.

3. **Membership/Continuous Membership Committee**

Chair requested an increase in international postage.

Motion 20180430.05 by Val: Increase postage to \$15 for shipping of continuous membership pins Internationally. Passed unanimously

4. **Disaster Committee**

Linda Whisenhunt will be the chair of this committee. Klee reported she has already expressed some ideas. Amy would like to talk with Linda regarding some ideas as well.

5. **COE charge**

One of the parties has not waived the 3 week minimum waiting period requirement, therefore this will be addressed by the committee during the proscribed period. A letter from one of the parties has been received and will be given to the COE Committee. Karen suggested we ask the parliamentarian to review the letter and advise what the COE Committee's actions should be. Secretary will notify the party who sent the letter that we are in receipt of it. Amy suggested that the COE Committee meet this week and discuss next steps. All agreed.

6. **Bulletin Advertising**

Secretary will update the guidelines to reflect two pages of Ads for Regional clubs.

7. **Judges Education Committee (JEC) Guidelines**

The old & proposed guidelines were reviewed and discussed. Several non-substantive changes were made. The following changes were made:

- a. Purpose of Committee-remove second paragraph
- b. Policy 1-after "bred 5 litters..." add "on premises" and the number of finished Champions was reduced from 10 to 4.
- c. Policy 2- removed
- d. A new policy is added "Annually provide AKC Judges Operations Department with an updated list of GPCA approved Judges' Education Mentors"
- e. Remove the first Board Policy regarding the Slide Presentation.
- f. Remove the second Board Policy regarding workshop format.

Val will also remark about the changes at the Annual meeting.

Motion 20180430.06 by Val- Accept the changes to the Judges' Education Committee Guidelines proposed by the Committee. Passed unanimously.

New Business:

1. **JEC PowerPoint presentation**

The Board reviewed the JEC proposed changes to the PowerPoint presentation. The Committee recommended one picture be moved to a different section of the presentation, and eight photos and one video be removed.

Motion 20180430.07 by Klee- Accept proposed changes to the JEC PowerPoint presentation. Passed unanimously

2. **Mentors**

Whit responded to the request from the Board and proposed the Breeder Education Committee mentors be renamed "Breed and Owner Mentors" and the JEC mentors be renamed "Judges' Education Mentors". The Committee chairs need to get together to modify the description of their mentors to better reflect the differences between the types of mentors. A list of the mentors should be listed on the website under the appropriate sections. The Committee Chairs need to accept the proposed name changes, have the changes made to their guidelines and to the website.

3. **AKC Marketplace**

Flo Laicher identified an error on the Marketplace. The health statement currently includes NDG as Required testing. We agree with Flo and will ask her to have NDG moved to the Recommended section. Val currently monitors the Marketplace for things that are false and has them removed. She will continue to monitor the Marketplace.

4. **Role Guidelines**

Amy discussed the new format for Guidelines for BOD that will be distributed at the New Board meeting. There was further discussion of how the change record works.

5. **AKC Museum in St. Louis**

Per the Boards request, Jo Stubbs visited the AKC Museum. Some Great Pyr objects have been thrown away. The remainder, that are not taken to the new location in NY, will be auctioned. Jo has requested a GoFundMe page to raise money so she can get whatever she can from the auction. Jo has a few items that she will give to Joan Ziehl. Karen will contact the President of AKC find out more about what is happening.

6. **Club Members Voting rights under AKC rules**

Bob confirmed with the AKC that the rules regarding voting contained in our constitution are valid. This was confirmed to the Board by Guy Fisher, AKC Club Director. Some of the rules are “Members may not make motions which conflict with the club’s Board of Directors. They “are limited to voting on applicants not elected by the Board; petitioning for special club meetings; nominating and voting for officers and board positions; participating on committees; voting to expel a member; voting on breed standard revisions, bylaw amendments and dissolution of the club. All other matters fall under the authority of the board of directors. Motions made by members which conflict with the Board of Directors general management power are out of order and if adopted are null and void.”

7. **Top Twenty and Puppy Invitational**

The Board approved the requested changes submitted by the Committee. The Board also had additional recommendations. The comments will be sent back to the Committee by Val. The Board confirmed this committee is part of the National Specialty.

Recessed at 12:51 pm – reconvened at 2:05

8. **GPCA Facebook and Other social media**

The Board would like development of a mechanism to improve the quality of civility in and among GPCA members on social media. The Board would like the guidelines to be tightened up to include; no negativity, no name calling, appropriate tone, no name dropping. The Board feels both moderators should review any posting with questionable content and agree before posting. Referred back to the Social Media Committee to develop more detailed guidelines. Karen will work with Peggy Watson and Sue Cole on this.

9. **Bulletin**

There is a policy published in the Bulletin that Letters to the Editor with questionable content should be reviewed by the Board. This has not happened recently. This will be addressed with the Editors.

10. **Complaints from Non-members**

Currently any complaints regarding a member are forwarded to that member. Repeat complaints regarding the same member will be addressed by the Board. Investigation of the matter will be handled on a case by case basis.

Recessed at 2:52 pm – 3:05

11. Membership renewal form

The Board accepted changes proposed by Stephanie Whitney and will ask for some modifications.

12. Sargent at Arms

Bret Zacher & Joan Ziehl. Back-up will be Kevin Brown and Greg Mills. Val will ask the back-ups.

13. Minute Review Committee

Val will ask Ellie Schultz and Rhonda Dalton.

14. Annual Meeting

The Sargent at Arms will check members in and segregate members and non-members at the meeting this year.

15. Bulletin Editors

The BOD will request a meeting with both parties during this week.

Adjournment at: 3:47 pm

Submitted by: Amy Zacher