

The German Shepherd Dog Club of America, Inc.
Conference Call Meeting
September 20, 2011

Officers	Present: Tish Walker, Lanalee Jorgensen Law, Laura Gilbert, Ginny Altman, and Nadine Grady.
Class of 2011 Directors	Present: Zoe Backman, Bill Burggraaf, Ken Downing, Dorothy Linn, Gary Szymczak, Dean Wylie. Absent: Carmen Battaglia
Class of 2012 Directors	Present: Bart Bartley, Frank Fasano, Fred Migliore, James Moses, Nancy Harper-Mulvaney, Pam O'Dell. Absent: Carol Moore,
Conference Call	Tish called the meeting to order at 8:04 pm, CDT.
Roll Call	All Officers and Board members were present except for who was absent.
Agenda	Notice of the Conference Call meeting was sent on September 17 with acknowledgment of the emergent nature of the call and waiver of the ten day notice by Ginny Altman, Lanalee Jorgensen-Law, Gary Szymczak, Jim Moses, Bart Bartley, Fred Migliore, Dean Wylie, Nadine Grady, Dorothy Linn, Frank Fasano, Zoe Backman, Laura Gilbert, and Bill Burggraaf. The announced subject of the conference call was the offer by a member to cover the cost of sod for the National.
Motion	Bill Burggraaf reported that he has discussed the options for sod with several of the Topeka facility managers. Bill Burggraaf moved that the Board accept the offer from a member for the payment of sod. Gary Szymczak seconded the motion.
	Bill expressed concern for the preparation and care of the sod and asked if this is part of the contract with the sod company. He also questioned who has liability if the sod company does not care for it. Mike Malloy is the main sod contractor that has been contacted.
Discussion	Gary Szymczak said that he has cared for the sod a number of years as part of the grounds committee. Laura Gilbert asked who would be responsible for the care of the sod. Bill Burggraaf stated that he has learned from the Canadians what the care should be knows the watering and care routine. The cost of the clean up is \$500 which would be borne by the GSDCA. 165x85 feet of arena would be sodded which is the entire ring. The double handler area would not be sodded. Nancy asked about the equipment that the team who would be caring for the sod will need. Bill Burggraaf said that the GSDCA has some hoses and the facility has some that we will be able to use. Nadine Grady expressed concern for the care of the sod. There seemed to be a difference of opinion among board members regarding misting the sod vs watering the sod. Bill stated that we have equipment to mist the sod. He noted that it depends upon the moisture content of the sod when it is laid. Bill feels that it can be done and it will be OK. Bart noted that the AKC form addresses the liability. Bill understands the sod moisture needs and Gary Szymczak and Frank Fasano volunteered to water the sod under Bill's direction.
Vote	Those in favor of the motion: Dean Wylie, Dorothy Linn, Frank Fasano, Fred Migliore, Gary Szymczak, Jim Moses, Nadine Grady, Nancy Harper-Mulvaney, Lanalee Jorgensen-Law, Laura Gilbert, Ken Downing, Pam Odell, Zoe Backman, Ginny Altman, Bart Bartley, Bill Burggraaf. There were none opposed. Motion carried unanimously.
Adjourn	The meeting was adjourned at 9:04pm CDT.
	Ginny Altman, Recording Secretary September 20, 2011