

The German Shepherd Dog Club of America, Inc.
Conference Call Meeting
August 16, 2011

Officers	Present: Tish Walker, Lanalee Jorgensen Law, Laura Gilbert, Ginny Altman, and Nadine Grady.
Class of 2011 Directors	Present: Zoe Backman, Carmen Battaglia, Bill Burggraaf, Ken Downing, Dorothy Linn, Gary Szymczak, Dean Wylie.
Class of 2012 Directors	Present: Bart Bartley, Frank Fasano, Fred Migliore, Carol Moore, James Moses, Nancy Harper-Mulvaney, Pam O'Dell.
Conference Call	Tish called the meeting to order at 8:01 pm, CDT.
Roll Call	All Officers and Board members were present.
Agenda	Notice of the Conference Call meeting was sent on August 6. The announced subject of the conference call was the motion adopted at the July Board meeting authorizing a letter to the AKC that states that the GSDCA would not oppose the AKC consideration of the Foundation Stock Service Program for the American White Shepherd.
Motion	Dean Wylie moved, Laura seconded that the motion to send the letter to the AKC be rescinded.
Discussion	There was discussion of the GSDCA membership and that of the various clubs that have been formed to further the interests of those members who own white German Shepherd Dogs. There was a question as to the interpretation of such a letter and the conclusions that the AKC would make based on such a letter. There was discussion regarding whether the DNA would support a unique breed.
	There was discussion of the origins of the disqualification in the standard. There was discussion regarding the functionality and history of the role that the white dog played in the history and origins of the breed.
	There was also discussion about how the white dog can be more included in the awards of the club such as performance awards and Parade of Greats.
	There was discussion of some of the other options that might be taken instead of allowing breed separation to permit the white dog to participate more fully in achieving recognition.
Vote on Motion to Rescind	In Favor: Bart Bartley, Bill Burggraaf, Carol Moore, Dean Wylie, Dorothy Linn, Frank Fasano, Fred Migliore, Gary Szymczak, Jim Moses, Nancy Harper-Mulvaney, Laura Gilbert, Lanalee Jorgensen-Law, Carmen Battaglia, Pam O'Dell. Opposed: Ken Downing, Nadine Grady. Abstain: Zoe Backman, Ginny Altman.
Adjourned	Meeting was adjourned at 9:02pm CDT.
	Ginny Altman, Recording Secretary