



BOD Conference Meeting 4/13/2020

GSDCA SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Via Telephone Conference April 13, 5:00pm PST AGENDA

Call-in information for members to use for our board meeting - 1-605-313-5111 access code 743508#

In Attendance:

Deb Stern, Patty Korsch, Gail Stiefferman, Pamela O'Dell, Larry Rock, John Ayotte, John Bemont, Steve Bloom, Lew Bunch, Frank Fasano, Laura Gilbert, Morton Goldfarb, Erin Nellis.

Meeting brought to Order 5:05PST

- 1. Discussion and determination regarding the postponement of the Southeast Futurity/Maturity, (scheduled to be held on Sunday, May 17, 2020 / Close of entries on Wednesday, April 29, 2020.) Futurity and Regional Chairs to join us.*

Cyndi shared with us that she is working with the regional clubs finding dates and locations to reschedule the Futurity/Maturity shows. She currently had 6 with possible solutions to reschedule. Need to work with AKC to make sure the dates can be approved. She will know more by June 8th and asked for no final decision until that date. The BOD agreed to allow her to see what the committee came come with. MOTION made by Morton Goldfarb, 2nd Steve Bloom to postpone the SE Futurity/Maturity show at this time due to COVID19. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
- 2. Provision for dogs not entered in 2020 Futurity (due to COVID-19) to be eligible for entry in 2021 Maturity.* MOTION made by Pamela O'Dell to table until Cyndi Flautt can get back to us on Jun 8th, 2020. 2nd Erin Nellis. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
- 3. Approval of host clubs for 2021 Futurities/Maturities.*

2021 Host clubs were approved at the January regular BOD Meeting. Motion made by Pamela O'Dell to table any discussion regarding the 2021 Futurities until the regular BOD meeting, 2nd Frank Fasano. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.
- 4. Selection of judges slate, (conformation and performance), for 2021.*

Motion made by Larry Rock, 2nd by Patty Korsch. Table until regular BOD meeting. Gail Stiefferman stated she had not received any nominations for judges for the National slate. She also stated that she had not been able to go to the PO Box for a week and would check for us. She was going to send the forms out to all BOD members so we could solicit judges and get the forms signed prior to the meeting.
- 5. Bob Penny Temperament Test video.* Deb discussed the opportunity to share this historical video with all Regional Clubs. Laura Gilbert had concerns which had been discussed with previous BODs. This was a training video created to train Temperament Test judges. The Temperament Committee did not want to share all of the obstacles with the members who would be training their dogs to pass the test instead of it being offered as a real test. Linda Bankhead shared with the BOD that this was 25 years old and would try to find a way to share it with only the BOD to help determine if it should be shared. Tabled for further discussion.
- 6. Status of possible \$5,000.00 donation from GSDCA to help members who need assistance in feeding their dogs during/due to COVID-19.*

Larry stated that Legal determination is that the GSDCA cannot participate in this giving. Deb confirmed that the GoFundMe account had not been opened so the BOD members could begin making donations. The BOD still had questions around how to determine who receives the funds. Due to the urgency of giving help, several BOD members stated that they had already begun in helping members in need in their communities and probably would not be making the donations directly to the fund. Deb stated that she would connect with Linda and try to get the GoFundMe opened for donations from the board and members also wanting to help.

7. *Approval of Oct 13, 2019 and Nov 2, 2019 GSDCA Minutes as corrected.*
MOTION made by Erin Nellis, 2nd John Bemont to Approve as corrected. APPROVE- Patty Korsch, Gail Stiefferman, Larry Rock, John Ayotte, Steve Bloom, Laura Gilbert, Erin Nellis. ABSTAIN: Pamela O'Dell, Lew Bunch, Frank Fasano, Morton Goldfarb.
8. *Addendum to ATAA report.*
Ratification of decision made in closed session to amend the ATAA Form: No one can certify their own dog and the dog must be at least 6 months of age. This is in effect immediately.
9. CLOSED SESSION – resolution of personnel issues – report.
Deb thanked the members who joined the call. She asked for a quick recess for the BOD to rejoin the meeting for the CLOSED SESSION.

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 8:20pm PST.

Respectfully,

Pamela O'Dell
GSDCA Recording Secretary