

**BOD Conference Meeting 8/19/2020****GSDCA SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

Via Telephone Conference August 19, 2020, 4:00pm PST

Call-in information for members to use for our board meeting - 1-712-770-4010 Code 220853#

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.

Deb brought the meeting to order at 4:05.

1. GSDCA Meeting: Reapprove holding the GSDCA National Specialty in Gray Summit, Missouri and Springfield, Illinois from Tuesday, October 6, 2020, through Saturday, October 17, 2020.

As we inadvertently removed the approval for Gail to find a new location and date to hold our National Specialty with the motion as our previous meeting to rescind John Ayotte's motion to it's entirety, we need to approve the new location and date.

MOTION made by Morton Goldfarb, 2<sup>nd</sup> Laura Gilbert to approve the new location of Springfield, Il for the new dates for our 2020 National Specialty. Passed Unanimously.

2. Annual Meeting Notice

Our "Official Notice" followed our Bylaws with the 90 day minimum notice by being placed in the Jun/Jul Review. The Official date was noted as 10/8/2020/ With Purina's announcement of staying closed for the remainder of the year, our National needed to be moved as does our Annual Meeting. We do not have 90 days to notify our membership of the change of date but makes sense to have the Annual Meeting at the National. Due to COVID, this has been a year of extreme circumstances and we need to make the decisions that best serve our membership. It is up to this BOD to change the Official date of the Annual Meeting.

MOTION made by Laura Gilbert, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Steve Bloom to move our Annual meeting to October 15, 2020 to correspond with the National Specialty. If the National is cancelled, the Meeting will be held by electronic meets for the Membership. Passed Unanimously.

3. Springfield Contract and Deposit

Deb informed the BOD that the contract is still not ready to be signed. They are still working with our attorneys through so addendum. Deb offered to personally make the deposit to hold the location which would give us additional time to get through the contract taking the risk if it is not reimbursed. It was determined that we still need to get this completed as soon as possible as we have already lost the building for the Education seminars.

Motion made by John Bemont 2<sup>nd</sup>:Gail Stiefferman to allow Deb Stern to personally make the deposit for the Springfield National Specialty Location so we have more time to work through

the Contract acknowledging the risk of losing the funds. If the National Specialty goes on, the GSDCA will refund Deb Stern for this deposit.

Continued discussion continued. Deb invited Michael Banks to join the call to help explain some of the concerns. Mike was asked if he would join with Deb and Erin to get through and finish the negotiations of the contract

The BOD was brought out of Closed Session and Deb Stern as President announced the BOD passed unanimously to extend the Contract One year for Carole Schulte as Review Editor and to continue with 11 issues for 2021.

4. Motion to Adjourn

Meeting ended at 6:35PM PDT