



BOD Conference Meeting 5/11/2021
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GSDCA SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Special Board Meeting on Tuesday May 11, 2021 4:00pm Pacific Time.

In Attendance:

Deb Stern, Laura Gilbert, Gail Stiefferman, Ann Solt, Pamela O'Dell

Class of 2020,

Morton Goldfarb, John Ayotte, Erin Nellis, Candee Foss

Class of 2021

Cyndi Flautt, Lenny Brown, Ileana Noguerras, Jeff Pyle

Deborah Stern brought the meeting to order at 4:30PM Pacific Time as the GSDCA Charitable Trust meeting was opened first.

1) Judges for 2022 National

Gail Stiefferman had the floor. She has not received many nominations. She only received 2 other nominations from the BOD. Gail went out and got 3 obedience judges and a couple of herding judges. Deb Stern spoke up that she had 3 names for this year and thought they could also be on next year's if not chosen for this year. Ileana Noguerras stated she also had just sent a nomination and Gail should receive shortly. Jeff Pyle addressed the BOD stating that it is time that we strongly consider accepting electronic nominations and petitions for nominations for both the BOD slate and judges specifically scanned signed contracts. Jeff Pyle made the Motion that we begin accepting signed scanned contracts. 2nd by Pamela O'Dell.

Further discussion: Gail Stiefferman noted that she is supportive of this decision but all the forms in the P&P are not the updated versions. We need to review all of these forms to be updated and corrected prior to distribution. She also asked for an amendment to the motion that the scanned copies need to be legible. She receives everything from photos, scans and documents that cannot be printed out. Laura Gilbert asked John Ayotte if our forms could be fillable to add convenience for our members. John Ayotte confirmed that we can create fillable forms. It would need to be a project for the future. Gail Stiefferman asked for help from the BOD to update some of the National forms and present at the July regular. Pamela O'Dell asked for an amendment to the motion to add that it needs to be in PDF form. Jeff agreed to amend his motion to accept electronic contracts in a PDF form and must be legible. 2nd by Pamela O'Dell. Passed Unanimously.

It was clarified that this is in addition to the current process of the mailed in contracts. Deb Stern requested a 2-week extension to insure all of the paperwork is into Gail Stiefferman. All agreed to a Special Meeting on 5/25/2021 to vote on 2022 judges and herding judges for 2021.

2. Decision re Ocala (building)

Erin Nellis has been communicating with the CBB. She asked the BOD if we want to have the meeting in Orlando or Ocala. They would do the transportation either way. Scheduling the tour of the facility needs to be determined.

Deb Stern asked if Erin Nellis would speak about which building, we are going to have our 2022 national in. Erin confirmed we can place sod in the arena building.

Deb Stern wanted to reiterate to the BOD that we do not have the funds to have an in-person July Regular BOD meeting. The budget approved at the April meeting only accounted for 1 in person meeting which we had in January. We have had 4 BOD members who have viewed the site, we do not need to spend the funds to go to Ocala. The contract has been signed and we are going in 2022. Gail Stiefferman spoke up and noted that it is important for all of us to see the site. She was not aware as it was not discussed that all of the BOD meetings would be by conference calls only, except for the January in person meeting. Ileana Nogueras spoke up and noted that the decision to personally go to Ocala is partially because of the 4 BOD members that have seen the site 2 were for and 2 had hesitations which not give the rest of the BOD good direction. Jeff Pyle agreed with Ileana. Deb Stern reiterated that we do not have it in the budget and should reconsider having an in-person meeting. Ann Solt spoke up and stated Ocala is really a done deal and suggested we go in Jan of 2022. Erin Nellis spoke up noting that it appears our hesitation is which building. Whether we chose the multipurpose or the arena with stalls, either will work and the National will be good. Gail Stiefferman spoke up and reiterated that her approved motion to have the in-person meeting was to avail the situation of numerous conference calls over several weeks to get the business done. In person, we can get all of the business taken care of. We have approved both having the in-person July regular BOD meeting and what building we will be hosting our 2022 national. She questioned why we are having these discussions again. Candee Foss asked for the floor. She agreed with Gail. Having numerous conference calls is not efficient. Deb Stern reiterated again that the meeting should be by Zoom as we had originally planned to have the April meeting. Gail Stiefferman noted that the in-person meeting was passed by the BOD at a previous meeting. Deb Stern noted she will add further discussion to a future meeting in 2 weeks. Ileana spoke up and reminded the BOD that the meeting in 2 weeks was just for judge's nominations. She also reminded the BOD that we had a meeting in 1 week to discuss the Review editor RFP presented by both Lenny Brown and Jeff Pyle scheduled and approved at an earlier meeting.

3. Approve BOD meeting minutes

Pamela O'Dell made the motion to postponement of approval of the minutes as they are not complete. 2nd by Candee Foss. Passed Unanimously.

Motion to Adjourn by Pamela O'Dell at 5:30PM PDT

Respectively,
Pamela O'Dell
Recording Secretary

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