

**BOD Conference Meeting 5/25/2021****The call-in number is 712-770-4010, Access Code 220853#.****GSDCA SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

Special Board Meeting on Tuesday May 25, 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

Meeting brought to order at 4:00PM Pacific Time

1. Discussion and determination of type/location/method of the Regular July GSDCA Board Meeting. ***THIS DISCUSSION WILL NOT BE LIMITED*** Deberah Stern noted at the end of the last BOD meeting the BOD voted and approved to have the July Regular Meeting in Ocala. Deb noted that she was not in agreement to this as we do not have a budget. She noted that the BOD thought it was important to see the site and have the meeting in person and that the BOD chose to pay their own way to have the meeting in person. Deb Stern did ask Erin Nellis to address the BOD regarding the plans for hotel and is transportation coming along. Erin Nellis took the floor and informed the BOD that the CBB sent out RFP to hotels and she does not have the final decision yet. Erin did note that everyone needs to be at the hotel and ready to get on the transport to the Ocala site by noon on Friday. We would come back and begin the BOD meeting Friday night. Everyone would arrange their own shuttle service when they arrived at the airport and the CBB would pay for this service for us. Deb Stern noted that we need to allocate at least 2.5 hours to get from the airport to the hotel if coming into Orlando FL.
2. Approve new date for the 2022 Mid-Pacific Futurity Deb Stern asked Cyndi Flautt about the 2022 MP Futurity. Cyndi noted it will be April 8-10. Cyndi went on that this was approved by the Executive Committee so will be added the report to be ratified at the July Regular Meeting.
3. Not on agenda: Deb Stern spoke up to discuss the IPG Qualifying Trial and Universal Sieger Show she attended this past weekend. It was well attended and a great facility donated by our member Carl Smith. We had good representation of the BOD with herself, Laura Gilbert, Pamela O'Dell as ring steward and of course Morton Goldfarb as the Sieger Show judge.

Carmen Battaglia was also in attendance. The events were exceptional. The next event coming up is the joint qualifier with USCA. Deb asked Ann Solt how the events ended financially. Deb Stern relayed the message the event may have made a small profit. She thanked Mary Gattone for all her hard work organizing the events. Deb also thanked everyone for the donations, volunteers and especially for the location which was great. Ileana Noguerras spoke up and asked Deborah Stern if there had been resolution regarding the members not wanting to attend the GSDCA-USCA combined trial due to the Judge changes. Deb Stern spoke up and stated that a judge had been chosen. We only have 1 judge in the USA qualified per the contract to judge the Combined GSDCA-USCA qualifying Trial. Canada and Europe are still closed for travel. He has been chosen to judge. The event is in 2 weeks and going forward in OH. Deb asked Morton Goldfarb to take the floor and talk about the Judge Frank Phillips. Morton noted that Frank is a member of the USCA. He has won at the World Championship and has competed numerous times on the international level. He is judging obedience this year the WUSV International Universal in Spain. He is licensed for the SV and possibly the WUSV. Morton went on to say he is very qualified to judge this event. The competitors qualifying in a couple of weeks will be under him in Spain. Morton also noted that 6 of our 7 qualifiers are also members of the USCA and some have communicated that they will represent the USCA due to the larger support from the organization. Deb Stern noted that if they are members of both clubs and qualify at both clubs, they would choose USCA as the support is \$5,000 where we give \$2,000. They will still represent the USA.

Gail Stiefferman asked if the judge we approved is an apprentice judge. Deb Stern confirmed that the SV committee and Deb approved a secondary judge who is in his apprenticeship to be on the field with the approved judge. Gail Stiefferman asked if the secondary judge they approved had the qualifications. Deb Stern confirmed that the secondary judge they approved will not be judging, but will only accompany the judge for his apprenticeship. Gail asked again if we had any qualified judges and not an apprentice. Deb Stern noted that we do have qualified judges, but none approached them inquiring about being involved. Gail Stiefferman noted that with the emails we have received and social media, it appears one of our qualified judges did approach our committee chairmen, but was turned down. Gail specifically asked if our Executive committee has had a conversation with the 4 members upset about this decision. Deb Stern spoke up and asked Gail if she can choose the judges she can show under. We don't always get what we want. We pick and chose and if they do not go or compete, they cannot move on. Frank Phillips is the only judge qualified to judge this event. Gail noted that the BOD has not seen the contract. Deb Stern reiterated that they have seen the contract and this is the only judge qualified for this trial. Ileana Noguerras noted we, the BOD are just being notified of this issue and being told by members that we have a qualified judge who offered to be a part of this event. She is trying to just understand. Deb reiterated again that there is only 1 judge in the USA qualified to judge this event because he is going to judge internationally. Pamela O'Dell asked for the name of our apprentice judge for the minutes. Deb Stern confirmed it is Carl Smith.

Meeting was moved to a Closed Session. Selection of proposed slate of judges for 2022 GSDCA National Specialty. After a brief discussion, Deb Stern brought the meeting back into Open Session. She announced that a Motion was made by Jeff Pyle, 2nd by Pamela O'Dell to approve the entire slate submitted by the BOD. Passed Unanimously.

Agility

Cheri Tyre-Roberts

Conformation

Vicki Bemont

Lee Brown

Kathy Field Casteel

Michel Chaloux

Joan F Fox

Randy Hamm

James Moses

Butch Stiefferman

Bo Vujovich

Michael Cheeks

Herding

Rusty Jeffers

Obedience

Joseph Caputa

Kathleen Cook

Carol Mett

Rally (this judge can only judge Rally)

Linda J Krasley

Meeting Adjourned at 6:35PDT .

Respectively,

Pamela O'Dell

Recording Secretary

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