Approved 1/24/14

December 8, 2013
Board of Directors Conference Call
GSPCA

Meeting called to order: 6:05pm Central standard time

Attendees: Terry Chandler
Beverly Quarles
Lynn Pettinato
Diane Prohaska
Sharon Fitzpatrick
Christy Douglas-Featherston
Debbie King
Gene Moseley
Liz Jennings
Dean Goodding

Absent: Renee Lara
Dean Browning

Vote on September meeting minutes: Gene Moseley moved to accept the minutes, second by Christy Douglas-Featherston. Motion passed unanimously.

Vote on the list of new members: completed the majority of voting my email with Beverly Quarles as outstanding. She voted yes on the conference call. Diane Prohaska to contact Cynthia McCracken and advise of approval.

New Actions Items:

1 - Email voting:
Discussion on how we handle voting via email on general business topics, ie distribution of funds for Health and Welfare, etc. Dean Browning submitted a proposed format that we use for voting. Christy Douglas-Featherston restated Dean's thoughts in a motion. Items voted via email would be restated on con calls or in person meetings for the benefit of the minutes. If we have an urgent item to be voted on, allow one item to be voted on at a time. If voting via email, allow five days discussion, simple voting majority is acceptable. Subject line of the email must be appropriate to the vote, ie: Motion/Vote: (Topic) so it's easier for everyone to track and respond appropriately. Do not embed your vote in another email thread. Follow proper process and call for an end of discussion before the motion/vote is made. When making a motion use the following format:
Motion:
Made by:
Seconded by:

Vote (yes, no, abstain)

Beverly

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Christy
Dean B
Dean G
Debbie
Diane
Gene
Liz
Lynn
Renee
Terry

Discussion on this motion by Gene Moseley that Roberts Rules of Order are difficult to follow on email. This should make it easier.

Vote passed unanimously

2 - Money recommended for health studies submitted by Health and Welfare Committee be disbursed as requested.

Motion by Christy Douglas-Featherston to approve the request, seconded by Gene Moseley. Discussion by Gene Moseley that we look into directing some money to the Chagas study at Texas A&M. Terry advised that they were looking at this and were trying to use some of the AKC Canine Health Funds that we had available. Vote passed unanimously.

3 - Status of the Bronze
Discussion on where to put the bronze, how it will be displayed. Gene Moseley is working with Pam Fullford on options. Gene hoping to visit the bronze artist prior to the January board meeting to fine tune some items and bring to the January meeting

4 - Status of the illustrated standard
Diane Prohaska advises that in speaking with Patte Titus, we have received 10 drawings from Pam Fullford. A couple of them needed to be redone and have been completed at no additional expense. Pam is working on the second set of ten drawings. We should have them at the January meeting. Drawings timeline is on target.

5 - Review letter to various national club presidents concerning retrieving revision for acquiring a Field Championship.
Terry Chandler has spoken with most of the National club presidents regarding a change to the retrieving standard on how points are awarded. He is looking for verbal approval from those groups prior to sending a formal letter to the AKC. He hopes to be able to send the letter to the AKC in January, and to bring the draft letter to the board meeting for review.

6 - Dedication of the 2014 NSS to Diane Engelking. The NSS Executive Committee is looking for board approval.

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There is a question on the criteria for dedicating a national event to a person. The discussion on dedication was tabled until we can research the criteria and also to get a brief biography on Diane distributed to board members that aren't familiar with her. Christy Douglas-Featherston expressed the urgency in getting this voted on quickly due to getting the premium out by 12/15/13. The board will vote by email when the requested data has been provided.

7 - Yearbook Committee is asking for a judgement call on how we report Hall of Fame recipients. The board agreed that the plaque date should match the yearbook date. Motion made by Christy Douglas-Featherston that any dogs voted on in January will go into previous years yearbook, seconded by Lynn Pettinato. Approved unanimously.

8 - Club logo
Terry Chandler feels that the GSPCA logo is antiquated and needs refreshing. The history of the logo was researched and no specific person or meaning was attributed to the current logo, with the exception of the three stars representing the regions of the club. Terry proposed that we offer a contest to member clubs to create a new logo with the prize being 4 months club membership free. Debbie King asked to expand that and include parent club members into the contest offering them one year free membership and a tshirt with the new club logo. Motion made by Beverly Quarles to send the contest to clubs and members with the prizes noted above. Seconded by Debbie King. Motion passed with Dean Goodding and Gene Moseley voting no.

Existing actions items:

1 - Status of the Shorthair Journal Digital Format

Discussion on whether we have an idea on the number of members interested in digital format. Should we survey the membership? Would an email edition be too large of a file to email? Liz advised that the .pdf file is 4MB. Terry Chandler suggested that we table this discussion until the January meeting. The next steps would be determining the costs for a web format or an e-reader format, and a person to do this task for the GSPCA. Liz Jennings will take this task. Gene Moseley is concerned how the club handles the idea of not having a hard copy magazine. Terry Chandler to talk to Arlene Walker on how she might approach this task.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10pm CST

Respectfully submitted

Lynn Pettinato

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