MID-FLORIDA GOLDEN RETRIEVER CLUB – Board Meeting

PRESIDENT	SECRETARY
Ann Rowe	Andy Hall
The October 9, 2019, Board meeting of the Mid-Florida Golden Retriever Club was called to order by president Ann Rowe at 7:04 p.m. via conference call. The following officers and board members were present:	
Ann Rowe – President	Andy Hall – Secretary
Michele Throm – Vice President	Dee Thibodeaux – Treasurer
Board Members:	
Marilyn Booher; Robin Burket; Pam Ginn; Pat Kopco; Ann Moye.	
Absent: Ted Misilo	
REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT (Ann Rowe)	
No report.	
REPORT OF THE VICE PRESIDENT (Michele Throm)	

The board approved the following membership applications and all will be eligible to be voted in when attend a general meeting:

Laurie Strickland, Winter Spring, FL (sponsor is Pat Kopco)

Robin White, New Smyrna Beach, FL (sponsor is Ann Rowe)

Courtney Roxby, Eustis, FL (sponsor is Paula Black)

Emily Miedel, Tampa, FL (sponsor is Debbie Caudill)

Jeff Rushe, Palm Harbor, FL (sponsor is Kristin Sipus)

Debbie O'Hanlon, Inverness, FL (sponsor is Pat Kopco)

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY (Andy Hall)

No report.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER (Andy Hall for Dee Thibodeaux)

All club accounts are in very good standing. Money from October agility trial being deposited.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Fun Field Day (Pam Ginn/Marilyn Booher)

Pam will host the Oct. 12 Fun Field Day and general meeting on her property in Ocala. All is set. Expecting 20-25 people. Kristin Sipus and Marilyn Booher will provide instruction.

October Agility Trial (Dee Thibodeaux)

Oct. 18-19-20 agility trial at Grand Oaks is set. Will be using a new group of kids as helpers and will have to break them in.

WC/WCX (Pat Kopco for Ted Misilo)

Entries are low right now, hoping they will pick up.

November Hunt Test (Pat Kopco)

A last-minute judging change had to be made but all is set.

December Specialty (Andy Hall for Caroline Kendrick)

The premium is now available and will be promoted by MFGRC and the AKC. Board approved a budget of \$1,200 for trophies.

2020 National Specialty (Pat Kopco)

Pat updated the board on progress of preparation for the hosting of the 2020 GRCA National Specialty. She and obedience chair Andy Hall will be visiting the site on Oct. 12. Merchandise and Ocala/World Equestrian Center literature being sent to California for the 2019 GRCA National. Once the 2019 national is over, we will launch many initiatives.

June Specialty (Robin Burket)

Robin updated the board on the club's June Specialty in Tampa. FGCGRC has granted permission for MFGRC to hold the event in the FGCGRC territory. The agreement has been signed for participate in the Tampa cluster. Date is June 12. No sweepstakes judge yet.

Nominations Committee (Pam Ginn)

Pam Ginn (nominations chair) shared the list of nominations for 2020 officers and board.

President – Ann Rowe

Vice President – Robin Burket

Secretary – Andy Hall

Treasurer – Dee Thibodeaux

Board – Marilyn Booher, Pam Ginn, Pat Kopco, Ted Misilo, Ann Moye, Michele Throm (one unfilled position)

OLD BUSINESS:

<u>Welcoming new members</u> – discussion of how to make new members more welcome, get them involved, etc.

<u>Ad in Golden Retriever News Field Edition</u> – the club will place a two-page ad in the Nov/Dec "Field Edition" of Golden Retriever News to recognize all MFGRC members who earned a field title in 2018 or 2019 awards years. Pam Ginn/Pat Kopco working with Anney Doucette on the ad.

<u>New title rosettes</u> – Robin Burket reported she has only received a few requests for the new title rosettes but it's early. The deadline is Dec. 31.

NEW BUSINESS

<u>Membership renewals</u> – board voted 7-1 to raise price of memberships to \$35; had been \$25 for more than a decade. Marilyn Booher was dissenting vote. Board will investigate using other forms of payment for renewals

<u>Year-end awards</u> – discussion of making changes to year-end dog awards. Decision made to leave categories the same for this year and have additional discussions early next year so that new revisions can be communicated to members.

Motion to adjourn, seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:31 p.m.

The next general meeting will be Oct. 12 at Fun Field Day.

The next board meeting will be Nov. 13 by phone.

Andy Hall – Secretary