

# Board Meeting Minutes August 7, 2024

Time: 6:00pm Location: Zoom

**General Note:** The original board meeting minutes file was lost due to a Microsoft Office Suite update error, and it was unable to be recovered. These minutes were recreated to the best of our ability.

## **Reports:**

**President** – Christine McDaniel opened the meeting with word that Robin Burket was unable to attend the meeting due to travel (she was on a flight at meeting time).

**Secretary** – Cindy Patz asked if there were any corrections or amendments to the minutes and called for a motion to approve the minutes from the July Board Meeting when no amendments were requested. Robin Bowen motioned that we approve the minutes, and it was seconded by Camille Nasce. The minutes were approved as posted.

**Treasurer** – Robin Bowen asked if there were any questions about the financial reports that were emailed to the board prior to the meeting. No questions were asked.

# **Committee Reports:**

Conformation Handling Days – Robin Burket reported that they were going to put the conformation handling days on hold until the weather was cooler, and the thunderstorms weren't as frequent. They would continue to try to coordinate an indoor session in Lake Mary Rally/Obedience Trial – Camille Nasca reported that the trial preparations are continuing, and they are looking for a few more volunteers. She reported that Cindy Patz and Ann Rowe have agreed to provide hospitality for the weekend and that entries are as expected due the change in venue this year.

#### **Old Business:**

**Website update**— Jordyn Vanscoy reported that she has had trouble getting responses to her emails to Clubistry, but that they have reduced the price due do how long they have taken to provide a website design. Jordyn provided the board with a to the new website that is still under construction and asked everyone to take a look and comment.

**Agility Fun Day** – Jordyn reported that she has not been able to get any further response from PJ after her initial response that she would host an Agility Fun Day this Fall. Jordyn has been trying to secure a possible date for the Fun Day event.

**GR News ad highlighting members' accomplishments** – The board held a discussion as to who we should use to create the ad for the Field Issue of the GR News. Chris Jeffrey's commented that she did not have the software best suited for that type of design, Anney Doucette has said she did not want to do ads any more and Lindsey Rodriguez said she does not have the time to devote to designing an ad, so it was decided to reach out to a Cate Auerswald who we have used in the past to see if she was available.

## **New Business:**

**New Member Applications** – Christine McDaniel read a new application for an associate membership:

Chris Weiss from Estero, FL, sponsored by Kristin Sipus The application was approved unopposed.

**Shadowing Event Chairs**— The board discussed the need for having people shadow current event chairs to ensure smooth succession when the event chair may change or if an event chair is unable to continue for any reason while the event is being planned.

Fund for member goldens in need — Chris Jeffrey discussed an opportunity to create a fund to help members care for their goldens when there is a need, much like what happened when a club member fell quite ill while travelling and could not get back to her dogs to care for them. It was suggested that we could set aside a certain percentage from each function we have to go towards the fund as well as individual donations can also be accepted and that could count towards their volunteer hours that they need each year. An application would have to be made through the board and the board would make the decision on how much would be granted. Robin Bowen volunteered to look into the legal aspects of creating this type of fund to see if we could legally do it before we continue.

**Nominating Chair** – Brian Parker volunteered to chair the nominating committee and Robin Burket and Robin Bowen will communicate the requirements and the timeline.

Date for next Field Training Day – The next field training day is Sunday September 8<sup>th</sup>.

Next General Meeting is August 13th (Zoom @7:00pm)

Next Board Meeting is September 10th (Zoom @6:00pm)