MID-FLORIDA GOLDEN RETRIEVER CLUB – Board Meeting

PRESIDENT SECRETARY

John Blair Andy Hall

The July 13, 2017, Board meeting of the Mid-Florida Golden Retriever Club was called to order by president John Blair at 6:20 p.m. at the Olive Garden Mall of Millenia in Orlando. The following officers and board members were present:

John Blair – President Andy Hall – Secretary

Ann Rowe – Vice President Dee Thibodeaux – Treasurer (Absent)

Board Members:

Anney Doucette; Pat Kopco; Betty Lambert, Ted Misilo, Kristin Sipus; Michele Throm. Absent: Mike Orloff.

**REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT (John Blair)**

With the canine influenza outbreak, the club has not had much activity. Good to have everyone together again and make some plans.

**REPORT OF THE VICE PRESIDENT (Ann Rowe)**

No new member applications.

**REPORT OF THE SECRETARY (Andy Hall)**

No report

**REPORT OF THE TREASURER (Ann Rowe for Dee Thibodeaux)**

Checking and money market accounts in good standing. Some expenses will be coming in soon.

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**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Agility Trial (Andy Hall for Dee Thibodeaux)**

October event has been approved by AKC. Judges scheduled.

**December Hunt Test (Pat Kopco for Mike Orloff)**

Pat reported that Mike now has judges for the Master.

**Specialty (Andy Hall for Caroline Kendrick)**

All the paperwork is into AKC and the event has been approved. Contracts sent and signed. Judges will be Kellie Dahlberg (sweepstakes) and Ann Yuhasz (breed).

Camille Doehring (trophy chair) said she will mostly likely use stain glass for trophies made by Patty McCabe. An increase in trophy budget requested by Camille was approved by the board.

The Win Rosettes have been ordered by Joanne Hell and should arrive at Caroline's house soon. The size is the same as in previous years.

Caroline is considering increasing the size of placement rosettes (1-4) and is checking on cost difference.

Specialty will start at 8am with sweepstakes. It is now mandatory for larger specialties like ours.

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**OLD BUSINESS:**

2020 GRCA National – John Blair led discussion of the club’s desire to bid on hosting the 2020 GRCA National. John presented the board with a document that included financial projections based on what has happened at other recent GRCA Nationals as well as diagrams and photos of the Tampa Fairgrounds and how we would utilize the facilities there. John also had created a tentative schedule for the period of Oct. 9-18, 2020. Our bid will be submitted to the GRCA soon. If accepted, the GRCA will join negotiations for the facilities.

Puppy Referral – Board decided to make some changes in our puppy referral practice. Language on the website will be changed to require MFGRC members who are breeders to let the puppy referral person know of incoming or available litters. Michele Throm volunteered to take over as puppy referral person.

Updating Year End Awards – tabled for next meeting

Updating Club Logo – Anney Doucette presented the board with an updated logo via email in the week prior to the meeting. Some discussion of ideas/suggestions – Anney wanted to make some other changes and will report back to the board.

Raffle Basket for National Specialty –Laura Topping is doing and will take care of getting it to Maryland for the National.

Purchasing catalog ad for National Specialty – Anney Doucette will have ad finished and submitted before deadline. Will be a full-page ad.

Dock Diving Fun Day – Board decided to hold Dock Diving Fun Day and general meeting at Dogpatch Downs in Ocala on Saturday, September 9. Club will pay and members can enjoy the day free. Facility will provide an instructor. Membership will be informed via email, website and Facebook.

Barn Hunt Fun Day – club exploring possible Barn Hunt Fun Day to introduce members to the sport. Michele Throm looking into a facility.

WC/WCX with Gulf Coast – Board decided to proceed with holding WC/WCX with Florida Gulf Coast Golden Retriever Club. Ted Misilo will chair. Tentative date Nov. 4-5.

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**NEW BUSINESS**

Nominations for 2018 Officers and Board – Michele Throm will chair nominating committee.

Jupiter Golden Jubilee – club member Lisa Boudreau had asked the board to consider a donation to Jupiter Golden Jubilee in November that will benefit the Golden Lifetime Study by Morris Animal Foundation. Board decided on a $150 donation that Lisa said will be used for either prizes or refreshments.

Christmas Party – discussion of possible locations for this year’s Christmas Party for the day after the Specialty. Location will be determined later.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

The next board meeting will be September 13 in-person at Olive Garden Mall of Millenia.

The next general meeting will be September 9 at Dock Diving Fun Day in Ocala.

 Andy Hall – Secretary