MID-FLORIDA GOLDEN RETRIEVER CLUB – General Meeting

PRESIDENT SECRETARY

Ted Misilo Michele Throm

The December 19, 2016, General meeting of the Mid-Florida Golden Retriever Club was called to order by President Ted Misilo at 8:05 p.m. at the home of Dee Thibodeaux in Sorrento, Fla. The following board members were present:

Ted Misilo – President Michele Throm – Secretary

Ann Rowe – Vice President Dee Thibodeaux – Treasurer

Board Members:

Kristin Sipus - AB; Pat Kopco; Mike Orloff ; Anney Doucette - AB ; John Blair; Betty Lambert; Andy Hall

(Meeting minutes by Andy Hall)

**REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT (Ted Misilo)**

Thanks to all of the board members for their work during the year and thanks to the club members who volunteered to chair or work at our events.

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

Voted in new member Barbara Anderson.

**REPORT OF THE SECRETARY (Michele Throm)**

Presented correspondence from AKC to chairs of agility trials and hunt tests. April agility trial has been approved by AKC

**REPORT OF THE TREASURER (Dee Thibodeaux)**

Will end 2016 with our account balances all in good standing. Waiting for some expenses from Hunt Test and Specialty.

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**Hunt Test (Mike Orloff) –**

December Hunt Test went well, everyone was happy and Mike and his team received lots of compliments. All is on track for Spring Hunt Test (Feb. 11-12), just need one judge.

**Obedience (Andy Hall) –**

Andy will be chair of 2017 Obedience trial, taking over from Michele Panetta. Dates will be Aug. 12-13 and trial will again be held at Obedience Club of Daytona. Date is set with OCOD, Andy now in process of securing judges and will complete AKC paperwork.

**Agility (Dee Thibodeaux) –**

Dee will be chair of 2017 Spring agility trial (April 21-23), taking over from John Blair. She said all is on track.

**WC/WCX –**

No Report.

**Specialty – (Andy Hall)**

Show chair Caroline Kendrick unable to attend meeting – Andy reported all went well, long day. Entries represented 25 states and three countries per Ellen Bartkus. Discussion of increasing visibility of club name around ring next year with signage. Sam Stokes pointed out our event not listed in show catalog and several responded it’s because we use Onofrio and MBF does the catalog. Andy, Tom Misilo and T.J. Misilo looking into doing live internet stream through club website next year.

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**Nominating Committee – (Andy Hall)** – Andy read the slate that the nominating committee recommended for our election. No additional nominations were offered, and since all were running unopposed, at the instruction of the president, the secretary cast one ballot and officers and board members for 2017 were confirmed.

President – John Blair

Vice President – Ann Rowe

Treasurer – Dee Thibodeaux

Secretary – Andy Hall

Board – Anney Ducette, Pat Kopco, Betty Lambert, Ted Misilo, Kristin Sipus, Mike Orloff, Michele Throm

**End of Year Awards – (Ann Rowe)** -- announced recipients and winners of the club’s 2016 competition and member awards.

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**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Outgoing president** – Ted Misilo officially turned the presidency over to John Blair; the club presented Ted with a carved wood Golden Retriever wall clock for his service to the club.

After the club’s holiday gift exchange, Andy Hall made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded. President Ted Misilo adjourned meeting at 9:30PM.

Andy Hall – Secretary-elect