

GSDCA-WDA BOARD MEETING
1/29-30/2010 Dallas, TX
SUMMARY of ACTIONS TAKEN

Board Members Present: Andrel, Blomberg, Munsinger, Osburn, Petersen, Smith, Spreitler, *ex-officio* Walker.

Ratification of New Board Members:

Kirkwood, Secretary; Rojas, National Training Director; Gattone, General Director; Kalvaitis, General Director; Landau, General Director; Southern, General Director. *Passed.*

Matters Relating to the GSDCA-WDA National Schutzhund Championship/WUSV Qualifying Event (GSDCA-WDA Nationals):

- 1) Motion to approve GSCA-WDA Nationals budget as written. *Passed.*
- 2) Motion to grant the Host Club for the GSDCA-WDA Nationals financial rights to vendor contributions, raffle proceeds, local catalog ad proceeds, and 50% of food concession revenues. *Passed.*
- 3) Motion to approve Gate Fees at the GSDCA-WDA Nationals (\$5/day; \$10/weekend; children under 12 free). Licensed GSDCA-WDA Judges will enjoy free admission and catalogue. *Passed.*
- 4) Motion to accept Ms. Munsinger as Official Trial Secretary for the GSDCA-WDA Nationals. *Passed.*
- 5) Motion to task Mr. Henkel and Mr. Rojas to identify a qualified Tracking Co-ordinator for the GSDCA-WDA Nationals. *Passed.*
- 6) Motion to create a permanent venue for the GSDCA-WDA Nationals. *Withdrawn.*
- 7) Motion that a committee be tasked to evaluate the feasibility of a permanent venue for the GSDCA-WDA Nationals beginning in 2012. *Passed.*
- 8) Motion to choose a permanent weekend each year for GSDCA-WDA National Events, three years in advance (e.g. third weekend in May for the Nationals; second weekend in October for the North American Sieger Show). *Withdrawn Referred to committee.*
- 9) Motion that Mr. Henkel shall chair the GSDCA-WDA Nationals for the years 2011-2013. *Passed.*
- 10) Motion that the entire GSDCA-WDA Nationals Committee remain in place for the years 2011-2013. *Passed.*
- 11) Motion to strike the following language from the GSDCA-WDA Nationals rules: "If the judge is appointed to an event by the GSDCA-WDA member organization or the Working Dog Committee, this rule does not apply. (This means that in championships, a judge may judge someone living in the same household, should that person qualify for the championship.)". *Passed.*
- 12) "If judge appointed to an event..." to end of paragraph. *Passed.*
- 13) Motion that Dog/Handler teams may qualify for the GSDCA-WDA Nationals with a score of 260, pronounced in Protection, if earned in a GSDCA-WDA Regional Championship. *Failed.*

Budget/Finance:

The GSDCA-WDA is moving to a Functional Cost Accounting methodology.

- 1) Motion to direct the Budget and Finance Committee to submit a proposed budget by the end of February, to be approved at a special Board Meeting. *Passed.*

Board Members were assigned specific areas to scrutinize operational improvement and cost analysis.

Matters Related to the GSDCA-WDA Apprentice Trial Judge Program:

Thirty-four (34) separate Motions related to the GSDCA-WDA Trial Judge Program (policy, procedure, supporting documents) were considered. *All but one (1) motion passed.* The single failed motion dealt with age restrictions for applicants.

The GSDCA-WDA happily announces the formal approval of the Apprentice Trial Judge and Transfer Judges Programs.

By-law changes voted by the Membership in 2009 were certified.

The GSDCA-WDA Board welcomes all new Member Clubs.

Central Alabama Schutzhund Club
Hundesport Schutzhund Club of Florida
Michigan Working Dog Club
OG Kansas City

Analysis of the 2010 North American Sieger Show (NASS) venue possibilities were referred to the Executive Committee. Proposals are due within ten days (2/9/2010). Final selection of the 2010 NASS venue will be decided at a special Board Meeting.

Committee Elections/Appointments:

Executive: Mr. Spreitler, chair. Mr. Andrel, Mr. Osburn, Ms. Petersen, Mr. Smith

Membership: Mr. Henkel, chair. Ms. Lapointe, Ms. Henkel-Campbell, Mr. Rojas, Mr. Floyd, Ms. Palumbo, Mr. Wheeler, Ms. Madigan, Mr. Huerta, Mr. Tackett, Ms. Beauchamp, Mr. Viera, Ms. O'Donovan, Ms. Lickert, Ms. Schneider.

Budget/Finance: Ms. Petersen, chair. Ms. Roye, Mr. Kalvaitas.

Helper: Mr. Smith, chair. Mr. Andrel, Ms. Barkus, Mr. Blomberg, Mr. Floyd, Mr. Henkel, Dr. Landau, Mr. Osburn, Mr. Rojas.

By-Laws: Ms. Walker, Ms. Kirkwood

Junior Sports Program: Mr. Kuehn, chair. Ms. Petersen, Ms. O'Donovan

Canine: Mr. Andrel, chair. Mr. West, Mr. Nope.

Performance Rules: Dr. Landau, chair. Mr. West, Mr. Yee.

National Training: Mr. Rojas, chair. Mr. Floyd, Mr. Hoelcher, Dr. Landau, Mr. Mezaros, Mr. Payne.

Motion to postpone the appointment of a Regional Director for Region 8 until the April Board Meeting. *Passed.*

Motion to approve Mr. Mezaros as a GSDCA-WDA Apprentice Trial Judge. *Passed.*

Motion to approve an Honorary Lifetime Membership for Ms. Miriam Barkus, in recognition of her long years of service to the GSDCA-WDA. *Passed.*

Motion to appoint a GSDCA-WDA Membership Co-ordinator. *Passed.*

Motion to open a separate Junior Sports Program checking account. *Passed.*

Motion that members of a prior year's GSDCA-WDA WUSV Team be eligible to enter the current GSDCA-WDA Nationals. *Withdrawn.*

Motion that entry into a GSDCA-WDA club or regional trial, with a German Shepherd Dog, be changed to require:

- 1) an official GSDCA-WDA scorebook
- 2) a non-GSDCA-WDA issued scorebook that has been registered and stamped by the WDA office.

Referred to Executive Committee.

Motion to rescind the Membership Requirement for participation in GSDCA-WDA Breed Surveys. *Passed.*

Motion to accept Canadian registrations, pedigrees and scorebooks for participation in all GSDCA-WDA events. *Passed.*

Motion to Table the selection of an Auditor to a Special Board Meeting, pending review of a possible conflict. *Passed.*

Motion to begin a GSDCA-WDA FH club. *Passed.*

Motion to approve a GSDCA-WDA National Tracklayer Certification Program. *Passed.*

The Board expresses its support of the National Training Seminars.

Motion to Table discussion of the Junior Helper Program until the April Board Meeting. *Passed.*

Motion to create a GSDCA-WDA Registered Kennel Name Program. *Withdrawn.*

Motion to approve Mr. T. Floyd as a GSDCA-WDA Teaching Helper. *Passed.*

Motion to approve two Universal Sieger events in 2010. *Passed.*

Motion to approve Region 7 trial, in conjunction with a Universal Sieger event. *Passed.*

Motion to publish the names of Members Not-in-Good-Standing (NiGS) via a monthly e-mail to all GSDCA-WDA clubs. An annual letter shall also be sent to each club with instructions related to Members NiGS. *Passed.*

The next Board Meeting was scheduled for April 16-17, 2010 in Philadelphia, PA.