

**MINUTES**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**  
**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA PORTUGUESE WATER DOG CLUB, INC.**  
**July 11, 2017**

The first meeting of the 2017/18 term of the Officers and Directors of the Southern California Portuguese Water Dog Club, Inc., was held on July 11, 2017, via teleconference. The meeting was called to order at 7:35 PM Pacific Daylight Time.

**PRESENT**

President Mary Baum, Vice President Janna Loeffler, Secretary Wendy Spradlin, Treasurer Susan Cucura, Director Lee Ann Emirkhanian, and members Ellen Leyda, Cindy Bersano, and John Cucura.

**ABSENT**

None.

**MINUTES.**

Minutes from the May 9, 2017, Board of Directors Meeting were approved as published. As a quorum was not reached, no minutes were recorded at the May 25, 2017, annual meeting or at the July 8, 2017, general meeting.

**REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT**

(Mary) A general club meeting was scheduled for July 8 but a quorum was not reached. Voting on three new membership applications was thus moved to the Board. The turnout was good at our Independent Specialty on May 25<sup>th</sup> at the LA Fairplex in Pomona. This year's festive event, Come Sail Away, was made possible by our wonderful club volunteers and judges Mr. Charles Teasley (Sweepstakes), Mr. Vincent P. Chianese (Conformation), and Mrs. Pamela Murphy (Obedience & Rally), along with event chairpersons Ellen Leyda (Conformation), Pam Francis (Luncheon and fun activities), Susan Cucura (Obedience & Rally), and with our ring stewards Janet Fink (Conformation) and Logan Ott (Rally & Obedience), and of course, our lovely PWDs. Congratulations and thank you to all who participated and to Marilyn Rimmer in particular for bringing her famous taco salad. When the dogs and bitches were not busy strutting in the ring, they could be spotted posing with the shark at the photo booth or showing off their ribbons. Pam organized a fabulous lunch, gift baskets, and decorations. What a great job she did! The 2017-2018 board members were inducted at the annual meeting: Mary Baum, President; Janna Loeffler, Vice President; Susan Cucura, Treasurer; Wendy Spradlin, Secretary; and Leeann Emirkhanian, Director. Many thanks to the board members for their commitment to serve again this year and for their hard work last year. A special thanks is owed to Janna for designing and implementing the new look of our club's website ([www.scpwdc.org](http://www.scpwdc.org)). Check it out for information about club activities. This year's goal: a club newsletter. Stay tuned!

**REPORT OF THE VICE PRESIDENT**

No report.

**REPORT OF THE SECRETARY**

No report.

**REPORT OF THE TREASURER**

(Susan) The Transaction Detail Report is on file. Mission Circuit lost money this year, an amount similar to that for 2016 and 2014. Food costs were up compared to recent years.

**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEES**

**Agility**

(Mary) Income from our May trial was up slightly from last year. Applications for our 2018 agility trials were received by AKC.

**Conformation**

No report.

**Rally/Obedience**

No report.

**Legislative Liaison**

(Ingrid) There is an AKC legislative alert for California AB 485. It is the bill that restricts sales of dogs and cats in pet shops. The purpose is to discourage the public from purchasing puppy-mill animals and to encourage greater breeder involvement with regard to puppy placement. The proposed legislation does not represent a new solution to an old problem, but AKC's position is that it could prove to be a hardship for some responsible breeders. The most recent hearing was scheduled for June 26<sup>th</sup> but has been rescheduled for July 17<sup>th</sup>. Anyone having an opinion on the bill should contact members of the Senate Business, Professions and Economic Development Committee to express their concerns.

**Membership**

(Ellen) As a quorum was not reached at the last general meeting, the family membership applications from Janice Tomson and Mitch Wellsted and from Jeanette Comer and son Brian, along with an individual membership application from Donna Larkin, were sent to the board for a vote. Wendy moved and Mary seconded a motion to approve all three membership applications. The motion passed unanimously. Ellen will notify the new members.

**Rescue**

(Ellen) No dogs are coming into Rescue this month.

**Water**

(Susan) Water trial planning is under way. The premium will be ready by the beginning of August. Our trials will be 9/30 and 10/1 with John Brock as judge.

Wendy moved and Mary seconded a motion to purchase at a reasonable cost a portable boat platform for use during water practice, along with new tarps for winter storage. The motion passed unanimously.

**OLD BUSINESS**

A donation was made to the 2017 Specialty Trophy Fund.

Expenditure for a new battery and charger (\$170) was approved by e-vote on June 26, 2017.

Paperwork for regional club sanctioning was sent to PWDCA.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Mary is researching templates we might adopt for our newsletter.

**MEETING ADJOURNED** 8:22 PM Pacific Daylight Time

Respectfully submitted on July 25, 2017,

Wendy Spradlin, Secretary  
Southern California Portuguese Water Dog Club