

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

The second meeting of the 2022/2023 term of the Southern California Portuguese Water Dog Club was held via teleconference on August 29, 2022.

The meeting was called to order by President Mary Baum at 7:03pm.

ROLL CALL

In attendance were President Mary Baum, Vice President Pam Francis, Treasurer John Cucura, Director Lee Ann Emirkhanian, Committee members Susan Cucura and Lucinda Bersano. Secretary Heather Kelly was absent.

MINUTES

Minutes from the July 17, 2022, Board of Directors Meeting were approved as published. As a quorum was not reached, no minutes were recorded at the August 18, 2022, general membership meeting.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT – Mary Baum – I hope club members and their PWDs who attended the PWDCA National Specialty in Frankenmuth, Michigan, had a great time. Agility was well represented by Heather and Mr. Magoo who took home the Agility HIT award. Woohoo!

Our water trial is less than two weeks away. We can always use more volunteers. Contact Susan, Lee Ann, or me if you'd like to help.

REPORT OF THE VICE PRESIDENT – Pam Francis –.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER – John Cucura – The TDR is on file.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY – Heather Kelly –

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEES

Agility – Mary Baum – Applications for the February and April 2023 agility trials were submitted to AKC.

Conformation – Lucinda Bersano –

Obedience – Mary Baum –

Legislative Liaison –Kathy Souza --

Membership – John Cucura – We have two membership applications that are up for a vote by the board of directors:

AJ Bellarosa

Lyle and Marci Hutson

Both applications were approved unanimously. John will notify the new members.

Rescue – Ellen Leyda –

Water – Susan Cucura – Our water trials are in 2 weeks. They are September 10-11 with set up on September 9. Tammy Etscheidt is our judge. Our trial is about ¾ full so we won't need to be pushing people along. John and Eric have been working hard to find solutions to our "buoy" problems at Hobie Beach. John has been keeping our judge informed and she is liking the solutions.

Practices have been going well and we've had good attendance. We do have 1 practice day scheduled in October. Water participants will be asked if they want to move it to 9/22 to prepare for the No Cal water trials or if they want to leave it in October to prepare for the AZ water trials.

OLD BUSINESS – In order to reduce our event committee's load in May and to increase attendance by dogs from both northern and southern California, we could move our Independent Specialty to January when Winterfest is held at Seaside Park, Ventura. Susan reported that we may have an opportunity to share a rally/obedience judge with another breed club and run those events concurrently with separate books, subject to approval by that club's board of directors. We would try to keep rally/obedience in the morning, followed by sweeps, a luncheon, and then best of breed in the afternoon, as we have done in the past.

In 2023 Winterfest will be held January 28-29, hosted by San Fernando Kennel Club (Saturday) and Los Encinos Kennel Club (Sunday). Several other clubs will be holding specialties on the date we are looking at, January 27 (Friday preceding Winterfest): the Keeshond Club of So Cal (R/O/S), the Cardigan Welsh Corgi Club of So Cal (R/O/S), and the Great Pyrenees Association of So Cal (S).

A motion was made and seconded to move the Independent Specialty to January 27, 2023 at Ventura, subject to approval by San Fernando Kennel Club and Los Encinos Kennel Club. The motion was approved unanimously. Susan will inquire if the obedience clubs will approve sharing a judge. Cindy will inquire if San Fernando Kennel Club and Los Encinos Kennel Club will approve the new date for our specialty. Mary will submit the application to AKC within the next week if we receive favorable replies from these clubs.

NEW BUSINESS -- The bylaws stipulate that the annual meeting "shall be held in May." If the Independent Specialty moves to another month, we can then decide if the annual meeting will be held via Zoom or at an agility trial in May.

Next board meeting: 10/16.

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 7:43pm.

Respectfully submitted on September 6, 2022

Heather Kelly

Secretary, Southern California Portuguese Water Dog Club