

**MINUTES**  
**GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING**  
**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA PORTUGUESE WATER DOG CLUB, INC.**  
**September 10, 2022**

The sixth meeting in 2022 of the members of the Southern California Portuguese Water Dog club was held on September 10, 2022, at Santa Clarita.

The meeting was called to order at 6:15pm PDT.

**PRESENT**

President Mary Baum, Secretary Heather Kelly, Treasurer John Cucura, Director Lee Ann Emirkhanian, and members: Susan Cucura, Nancy Gills, Catherine Gintowt, Ellen Leyda, Lauren McDermott, Kathy Simmons and Mollie Tobin (not a quorum).

**ABSENT**

Vice President Pam Francis and all other members not in attendance.

**MINUTES**

Minutes from the July 17, 2022 Board of Directors meeting were published on the website.

**REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT** – Mary Baum – Mary thanked those present for attending the water trials at Castaic Lake. She commented that the event could not be held without those who entered their PWDs and stepped up to volunteer. She thanked Tammy Etscheidt for coming west from Iowa to judge, and for reminding us how much fun and sometimes how much heartache it can be to train a PWD to this stage! Mary singled out a few individuals for special thanks: John Cucura, for organizing equipment and ring building; Susan Cucura, our trial secretary, for handling all the paperwork, introducing us to PerfDog, and organizing just about everything from volunteers to meals; Lee Ann, for taking on the baskets and designing and completing a lovely Cao de Agua water bowl gift for each PWD entrant; John Wilson, for photographing our dogs, because everyone really appreciates the memories; and Eric Cantlay, our trial chair, for working throughout the weekend with John. Mary thanked everyone else for plugging all the holes and pitching in when needed. She wished everyone good luck on the final day of the water competition.

**REPORT OF THE VICE PRESIDENT** – Pam Francis – no report.

**REPORT OF THE TREASURER** – John Cucura – no report.

**REPORT OF THE SECRETARY** – Heather Kelly – no report.

**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEES** – no reports.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Mary announced that she and Susan Cucura hope to see everyone in Albany, Oregon towards the end of August 2023 for the National Specialty. Susan will be secretary for the water trial scheduled for the weekend of August 26-27. Mary will chair agility on Monday, August 28. Mary asked everyone to support the National Specialty on the west coast. A lot of people stepped up to organize a fun event for PWDs. We would love to have a fantastic turnout!

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Mary announced our independent specialty is moving to a new date and location for 2023. Instead of holding it in May at the San Bernardino Soccer Complex, it will be moving indoors to the Ventura County Fairgrounds at Seaside Park on Friday, January 27<sup>th</sup>. This is the day before Winterfest starts. We hope many of you can attend.

**MEETING ADJOURNED** at 6:25pm PDT.

Respectfully submitted on September 18, 2022

Heather Kelly

Secretary, Southern California Portuguese Water Dog Club