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

The third meeting of the 2022/2023 term of the Southern California Portuguese Water Dog Club was held via teleconference on October 17, 2022.

The meeting was called to order by President Mary Baum at 7:08pm.

#### **ROLL CALL**

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

#### MINUTES

Minutes from the August 29, 2022, Board of Directors Meeting and September 10, 2022 general membership meeting were approved as published.

**REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT** – Mary Baum – Our water competition was a success despite the unsettling fire near the lake the weekend before the club's event. There were 23 entries on Saturday and the same on Sunday. Although passes could be counted on one hand each day, teams gained valuable experience that they took to the competition in northern California, where they demonstrated a high rate of success. Thank you to our volunteers -- you were instrumental to the success of our weekend and took care of every detail. And thank you to our teams who competed. Your PWDs were fun to watch.

Planning for our Independent Specialty is nearly complete. This year it will be on Friday January 27, 2023 at the Ventura County Fairgrounds in conjunction with Winterfest. I hope you can attend. There is always good company, good dog watching, and a delicious luncheon.

**REPORT OF THE VICE PRESIDENT** – Pam Francis – Four extra tables will be enough for serving and seating at the luncheon. We will use disposable tablecloths. Lunch choices will be discussed in January.

**REPORT OF THE TREASURER** – John Cucura – The TDR is on file. We are currently about \$1400 in the red this year. The Membership renewals are coming in December and should get us close to breaking even for the year.

**REPORT OF THE SECRETARY** – Heather Kelly – Nothing to report.

# **REPORT OF THE COMMITTEES**

**Agility** – Mary Baum – Our agility trials on February 3-5 and April 21-23, 2023, were approved by AKC.

**Conformation** – Lucinda Bersano – Our Independent Specialty was approved by AKC. Trophies and ribbons were reviewed. The signed agreement, payment, insurance certificate, parking permit request, and supported entry wording for the Winterfest premium list will be submitted this week to the specialty organizer. The event will be advertised with No Cal and Rio Salgado PWD clubs.

**Obedience** – Mary Baum – Kathy Moore will be judging obedience and rally for us and for three other clubs on January 27. She expects a full day of judging.

Legislative Liaison – Kathy Souza – Pending legislation was sent to members.

Membership – John Cucura – Renewals will be coming up in December.

**Rescue** – Ellen Leyda – Nothing to report at this time.

**Water** – Susan Cucura – Our water trials had a few challenges but they came off successfully. Thanks to the many volunteers, but especially our core group: John Cucura, Eric Cantlay, Mary Baum, Wendy Parker, Nancy Gills, Mollie Tobin and Lee Ann Emirkhanian for all of their hard work before, during and after our trials. We also thank our judge, Tammy Etscheidt for coming to judge and helping throughout the weekend. The trials lost about \$1200. Increased travel expenses for our judge were a good part of the loss. I believe next year, we will need to increase our fees to better cover our expenses. Next year, the Specialty is in August so it won't directly affect our dates. However, we may want to go a week or two later in September in order for people to travel back from Oregon. But, then we run up against the No Cal trials in October so we will have to figure that out.

# OLD BUSINESS -

### **NEW BUSINESS --**

A donation was made to the PWDF in memory of longtime member, Larry Diamont, who passed away in September.

Pam's Rosie and Boy Boy will be featured in the Ancient Mariners section of The Courier (Fall 2022 issue).

Next board meeting: 1/9/2023 Next general membership meeting: 1/27/2023 at Ventura.

# ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 7:56pm.

Respectfully submitted on April 7, 2023 Heather Kelly Secretary, Southern California Portuguese Water Dog Club