

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

The fifth meeting of the 2022/2023 term of the Southern California Portuguese Water Dog Club was held via teleconference on February 27, 2023.

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

**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 January 9, 2023, Board of Directors Meeting were approved as published. As a quorum was not reached, no minutes were recorded at the January 27, 2023, general membership meeting.

**REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT** – Mary Baum – I really enjoyed our specialty in Ventura last month. It was hectic being divided between two buildings and having a very short lunch break during obedience/rally, but I thought everyone enjoyed it. Thank you to Ellen, Cindy, and Pam for pulling it all together. Lynn and Mike McCallum, who were not able to attend and whose PWD took BOB, sent a grateful note thanking you for the “wonderful Specialty and the beautiful and thoughtful trophies you provided all weekend!” I want to thank Susan, Lee Ann, and Heather for tracking down the Waterdog wine and getting it to the show. It was a big hit with the judges and volunteers.

**REPORT OF THE VICE PRESIDENT** – Pam Francis – Nothing to report.

**REPORT OF THE TREASURER** – John Cucura – Membership money is coming in and being deposited. The club has a negative balance for the year.

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

**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEES**

**Agility** – Mary Baum – Our next agility trials will be April 21-23 in Camarillo and May 26-29 in Riverside. Over Memorial Day weekend we have a shortage of volunteers as 5-6 core volunteers will be out of town that weekend. We could use any help possible. No experience necessary. Training will be provided.

**Conformation** – Lucinda Bersano – I am really happy with the way the Specialty went. Next year I would like to do two shows, one in the morning with a breed judge and one in the afternoon with an AKC judge. Sweepstakes will be offered

with one show, probably in the afternoon. Linda Otey would like to be on the conformation committee. Next year the ribbon order will be reviewed by two people before Bradshaw places the order. Ribbons can be used in subsequent years if there are extras and amortized over several years to bring down the cost per show.

**Obedience** – Mary Baum – Let's consider holding rally and obedience next year if we can share the expense of a judge with other clubs.

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

**Membership** – John Cucura – We have 5 people (2 couples) that told us they are not renewing. We have 5 people who have not responded to our reminders. The deadline is March 1 to renew.

**Nominating Committee** – John will email acceptance letters to nominees this week. The slate will be announced by March 15.

**Pet Expo** – Cancelled for 2023.

**Rescue** – Ellen Leyda – Nothing new although several inquiries.

**Water** – Susan Cucura – We have requested our practice and water dates from the lake and are awaiting their response. Our liaison at the lake has moved to a different park. We do not know who our new liaison will be.

Water trial requested dates are September 16 and 17. Amanda Ford has agreed to be our judge.

**OLD BUSINESS** –

**NEW BUSINESS** –

Donations were made for the following dogs:

Waimea owned by Linda Otey

Lil owned by Linda Otey

Shadow owned by Clifton and Stannette Kennebrew

Reggie owned by Kathy Simmons

Donation of \$250 was made to the PWDCA Specialty Trophy Fund.

Pam will work on a newsletter to engage with members when Mary sends her access to the platform.

Next board meeting: 4/10/2023

Next general membership meeting: 4/22/2023 at Camarillo

**ADJOURN**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00pm.

Respectfully submitted on March 27, 2023

Heather Kelly

Secretary, Southern California Portuguese Water Dog Club