

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

The sixth meeting of the 2022/2023 term of the Southern California Portuguese Water Dog Club was held via teleconference on April 10, 2023.

The meeting was called to order by President Mary Baum at 4:04 pm.

**ROLL CALL**

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

**MINUTES**

Minutes from the February 27, 2023, Board of Directors Meeting were approved as published.

**REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT** – Mary Baum – This is the last board meeting of this term. It is because of you and our volunteers that our events and club have been running smoothly. John, thank you for the diligence it took to find an insurance policy that meets requirements for our water program. I really appreciate everyone's efforts.

**REPORT OF THE VICE PRESIDENT** – Pam Francis – Condolence cards have been mailed to owners of dogs who passed this year. One to two social events are in the planning stage.

**REPORT OF THE TREASURER** – John Cucura – The current TDR is on file. We have a new liability policy that provides the required fire insurance amount. It cost more but is the only way to keep our water program at this lake. I have requested a cancellation of the existing policy. That should result in a refund. The COI has been received.

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

**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEES**

**Agility** – Mary Baum – We have agility trials April 21-23 at Freedom Park in Camarillo. Our next agility trials will be May 26-29 at the San Bernardino Soccer Complex. Over Memorial Day weekend we have a shortage of volunteers as 5-6 core volunteers will be out of town. We could use any help possible. No experience necessary. Please contact one of the trial chairs (Mary Baum, Susan Cucura) if you can help, even for a few hours.

**Conformation** – Lucinda Bersano – SCPWDC offers supported entry for BOB all four days of the Mission Circuit show, May 26-29, at the San Bernardino Soccer Complex.

**Obedience** – Mary Baum – Applications for January events should be submitted to AKC in June.

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

**Membership** – John Cucura – Nothing to report.

**Nominating Committee** – April 15 is the last day for mail-in nominations to be received by the secretary.

**Pet Expo** – Cancelled for 2023.

**Rescue** – Ellen Leyda – There may be a dog coming into rescue. A message will be sent asking for foster homes among our SCPWDC members.

**Water** – Susan Cucura – We received our permit after obtaining fire insurance. Practices start in June. Water trial requested dates are September 16 and 17. Amanda Ford has agreed to be our judge.

Because of increased costs, raising the practice fee was discussed. The new rate per dog for members (\$15 first dog & \$10 second dog) and non-members (\$20 & \$15) was approved. A discounted annual water practice pass was approved (\$160 first dog & \$100 second dog) for SCPWDC members as a benefit of membership.

#### **OLD BUSINESS –**

Purchase of an insurance policy with \$1 million fire insurance coverage was approved by E-vote on April 6. The overall cost change is \$650 to \$1100.

A new date and site for the April agility event beginning in 2024 was approved by E-vote on March 26. Next year it will be held April 12-14 at IHEC, City of Industry.

#### **NEW BUSINESS --**

Donation made to the PWDF for Karma owned by Lee Ann Emirkhanian

Distribution of meeting minutes to members via the SCPWDC gmail account with a link to the file at the SCPWDC website was approved.

Next general membership meeting: 4/22/2023 (Saturday noon) at Camarillo.

#### **ADJOURN**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:21pm.

Respectfully submitted on June 23, 2023

Heather Kelly

Secretary, Southern California Portuguese Water Dog Club