BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA PORTUGUESE WATER DOG CLUB, INC.
August 3, 2026, 6 PM PDT

The first Board of Directors meeting of the 2026-2027 term was called to order at 6:03pm

ROLL CALL
Treasurer John Cucura, President Mary Baum, Director Lin McClure, and Secretary Laura Leyda, Susan Cucura and Ellen Leyda were present. Vice President Pam Francis was absent.

MINUTES
Minutes from the April 13, 2026, Board of Directors meeting and May 6, 2026 annual meeting were approved as published. No minutes were recorded at the June 18, 2026 general membership meeting as a quorum was not reached.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT – Mary Baum – Welcome to our first meeting of this term. Planning is well underway for our club's next two events, the September water trial at Castaic and January specialty show at Ventura. Come with your PWD and enjoy the fun. I am looking forward to helping with the events and seeing you there. We can always use more volunteers.

REPORT OF THE VICE PRESIDENT – Pam Francis – N/A

REPORT OF THE TREASURER – John Cucura – We are down for the year but still have more income due. The TDR is on file. Water is a big expense up front but will return a lot with the trial.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY – Laura Leyda – N/A

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEES
Agility – Mary Baum – The usual site for our February agility trials is not available in 2027 because of the way AKC counts weeks when January 1-2 falls on Saturday. We are considering other sites for this off year and will resume at the normal venue in 2028. An application will be submitted this month to AKC.

Independent Specialty – We need to get quotes for ribbons this month. We need to decide on trophies and get them ordered in the next month.

We have both of our judges, Patricia Cahill and Brett Thompson (Best of Breed). This is the last year Ellen Leyda is chairing, need to find another chair for the following year.

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

Membership – John Cucura – Voted on membership for Miriam Angel: Mary motioned to vote, John seconded, unanimous vote for membership.

Rescue – Ellen Leyda – nothing to report

Water – Susan Cucura – Premium has been sent out for our water trials on September 12-13. Suzanne Malick is our judge. Entries open on August 4.

NEW BUSINESS –
A donation was made for Truffles, owned by Christa Diamant.

The next general membership meeting will be held Saturday, September 12, during dinner.

ADJOURN @ 6:27pm