



GILITY CLUB OF SAN DIEGO, INC.

Board Meeting

August 6, 2008

Board Members in attendance: Patti Bott, Marla Cook, Dayle Moden, Joanna Hunt, Sarah Ball, Cathy Dever, Karen Leopold

Meeting called to order at 1902.

REPORTS:

Secretary's Report: The minutes of the June Board Meeting and July General Membership Meeting were reviewed. The minutes were approved as printed—Cathy Dever made the motion to approve them and this motion was seconded by Karen Leopold.

Treasurer's Report: Dayle Moden reported that the club currently has a balance of \$14,453.70 in its checking account, with an additional \$6,298.93 invested in CD's. Monthly expenses were reviewed with the following costs identified: \$386/month for the field rental; \$73.34/month for the rental of the small container; and \$20.95/month for the club hotline. The board felt like it might be nice to summarize operating costs on an annual basis—Vickie Hill could compile this information for the club.

Membership Report: Marla Cook reported that she had three membership applications awaiting board approval:

- Sharlene Wolf, who owns a Siberian Husky, and is sponsored by Sarah Ball and Donna Mikschl
- Al Ericson, who owns McNabs, and is sponsored by Arline Armendariz and Karen Leopold
- Pat Ericson, who also owns McNabs, and is sponsored by Arline Armendariz and Karen Leopold.

All board members voted in favor of accepting these applicants and their applications will now move forward to be read and

voted upon at the next general membership meeting in September (final reading).

Additionally, Marla announced that she had received one additional application—Ric Keen, who has standard poodles and is sponsored by Andy Strobridge and Patti Bott. This application will be read (first reading) to the general membership in September.

Marla stated that she will send out new membership packets via traditional USPS mail.

In an effort to minimize further mailing costs, the board did decide to email the 2008 Membership Roster to those members on the email list; members not on the email list will continue to receive a hard copy of their Membership Roster via USPS mail.

OLD BUSINESS:

NADAC equipment: Patti reported that the club utilizes its own NADAC equipment for its annual April show; in addition, the club loans it to the local Australian Shepherd Club of San Diego County once a year and could use it for familiarization at ACS DI pay and plays. Given the equipment's limited use, the question was raised whether or not it was worth refurbishing to meet the current NADAC specifications.

Two options exist for refurbishing the equipment—(1) send it to Duncan's in Sun City (we were quoted a price of \$450 for refurbishing *just* the dog walk, plus the club would incur transportation costs of hauling the equipment to Sun City) or (2) order the necessary rubber matting from NADAC to complete the refurbishing ourselves. Club member, Andy Strobridge has volunteered to apply the matting should the club decide to go forward with the latter option.

Joanna Hunt motioned that the club purchase the matting from NADAC. All board members were in favor. Sarah Ball,

Vice President, will contact NADAC regarding the order and instructions in applying the rubber matting.

Looking to the future, Patti Bott also requested that the club look into purchasing some additional sand bags for securing tunnels; these are currently priced at \$80/pair.

Voucher Program: The current voucher program (the board's request to offer worker vouchers or banked hours to apply to year end certificates) is working well and the membership/volunteers have seemed happy to honor this request. The board will present this concept to the general membership in September and vote on it during November's elections in order to formalize this change.

Amendment to the "voucher payment schedule": The board discussed compensating the person responsible for maintaining the club library and hotline with club vouchers. Patti Bott suggested that this "job" be paid an amount of \$25/year (in vouchers); all board members were in favor.

2009 Constitution Changes: Last year, the club constitution was amended to reflect a reduced 2-year term versus the previous 3-year term for elected board members. For 2010, the board is recommending to the general membership that the board be reduced from 9 members to 7 members. This recommendation will be presented to the general membership at the General Membership Meeting in September.

It is felt that 7 members is a more workable group size. This change, from 9 to 7 members, will occur for the term starting 2010 (November 2009 elections). For 2009, we will continue to have a 9-member board with the proposed reduction in numbers occurring at the onset of the 2010 term. This will allow for four (4) board positions to open up this year (as Marla, Karen-who filled Gary's position, and Patti end their current 3-year terms, and Geri's position is filled) and three board positions to open at the end of 2009 when the board has five members leaving (Dayle, Joanna and Peggy will end their 3-year terms, and Sarah and Cathy will end their 2-year

terms). Following the transition year (2009 elections), subsequent voting will nominate 4 and 3 members, in a rotating fashion, to maintain the goal of a 7-member board.

Trailer Inventory for Insurance: The club's smaller, towable trailer needs to be inventoried for insurance purposes. The insurance company will only insure the contents of the trailer to a maximum of \$2,000. Patti, Karen and Cathy will collaborate and then send out a date for conducting the inventory work party.

July AKC show: At the July AKC show, it became apparent that smaller coolers, stocked with ice and drinks for the workers, are needed at ringside. These coolers would remain separate from the judge's cooler(s) and supply workers with their own refreshments. (This was once a common practice at our club's trials and will be reinstated.)

July Picnic/General Membership Meeting: The 2008 picnic was FABULOUS—we were fortunate to have perfect weather, a great turn-out from membership, delicious food, and a fun demonstration from the local Search and Rescue group. The club's total cost for the picnic was \$188.

2008 Nominating Committee: The nominating committee, comprised of Marla Cook (board representative), Lynn Spears, and Arline Armendariz, is currently seeking candidates to run for the 2009-2011 ACS DI board. Nominees are being asked by the Nominating Committee to fill out a form/questionnaire, from which information will be gathered and published in the club newsletter. This information will help club members familiarize themselves with the candidates prior to the November 13th election.

To date, the committee has several members interested in running for the 2009-2011 term. The committee will meet at the end of August to prepare the slate of nominees for presentation at the September General Membership Meeting.

Gary Albino's Memorial Bench: Dayle reported on her search for a suitable bench for Gary Albino's memorial. She is currently leaning towards the purchase of a Polywood-type bench that would be very functional, durable, and reasonably priced. When the purchase is made, club member Bob Long has offered to help deliver it to Dehesa.

NEW BUSINESS:

Plaques for titles: Due to the poor workmanship/quality of the 2007 plaques, the club is currently looking for a new vendor to supply this year's plaques. Patti offered to bring samples and prices to the next board meeting to assist the group in making a decision regarding a supplier.

Pam Metzger, Chief Ring Steward for NADAC trial: Pam Metzger has offered to fill the Chief Ring Steward position for the club's October 2008 NADAC trial. As a non-club member, Pam has asked if her entries could be compensated for future trials instead of receiving club vouchers for her work. In order to be consistent and fair, the board was unanimously in favor of sticking with the voucher system outlined earlier this year; therefore, Pam will be offered **club vouchers** in exchange for acting as Chief Ring Steward.

A-Frame Mover--Permission to Sell: Patti requested permission to sell the club's A-frame mover. While it was originally purchased with good intentions, it has not proven functional at Dehesa owing to the deep grass surface we run on. The board was in agreement to sell this piece of equipment.

Club Canopies: It was reported that three of the club canopies need to be replaced. The cost of replacing these three canopies should run less than \$400, so the board motioned to move forward and purchase them in time for the October NADAC trial. Patti Bott offered to make the purchase for the club. The old canopies being replaced will be donated (to whom to be discussed at a later date).

Sarah Ball motioned that the August Board meeting be adjourned at 2020. This motion was seconded by Karen Leopold; all board members were in favor.