

Portuguese Podengo Pequenos of America, Inc.

Minutes for Board Meeting of September 28, 2016

Board Members in Attendance –

John Fitzpatrick – President, Rose Hidlay – Interim Vice President, Penny Schroeder – Treasurer, Michael Hobbs-Ohlinger – Interim Secretary, Stacy Faw – Board Member at Large and Media Chair, Patti Litchfield – Board Member At Large and Membership Chair, Lance McGinness – Board Member at Large and Robin Kirtley – Board Member At Large

Meeting was called to order by President John Fitzpatrick, at 6:04 PM PDT

1. **Minutes of the prior Meeting of July 27, 2016:** – Rose made a motion to accept the minutes as presented; Lance seconded the motion. All attending board members voted in favor of the Minutes for July 27, 2016; Minutes approved.
2. **Report of the Treasurer of July 28, 2016 through September 26, 2016:** - Rose made a motion to accept the Treasurer Report; Patti seconded the motion. All attending board members voted in favor of the Treasurer's Report for July 28, 2016 through September 26, 2016; Treasurer's Report approved. There was additional conversation, if the club account is with a national bank or a local bank. Penny stated the account is with a local bank. The question was asked if this was an interest bearing account; Penny stated, no it was not interest bearing, as the club does not have enough in the account to draw interest.
3. **Reports of Committees:**
 - A. **Judges Education** – Gabriela and Vitor Veiga had a PowerPoint presentation at the nationals. The club is in negotiations with the Veiga's to retain a copy of the PowerPoint for the club to use. Susan Sousa will be hosting a Judges Education in Portland, OR in January 2017. The judges vote for 2018 and 2019, Mike is putting together the ballot to be sent out to the members. John will talk with Suzanne to obtain a list of judges that attended previous year nationals. Rose will provide the list of judges from the Atlanta Nationals.
 - B. **Health & Research** – Bud sent out to the Board, the September Health and Research report.
 - C. **Media – Website:** We are under a deadline with our Website. John has talked with Jaqueline Zwirn in regards to setting up our website. John would like to nominate Jaqueline to head our website development. John would like the board to review the website – Dogwebs.com, this could be a viable location for the club to have our website. Please review and email John if we are in favor of using this location. Currently our website will expire on October 5, 2016. **Newsletter:** The newsletter committee is working on the new newsletter. Please forward pictures taken at the Nationals. Lance will contact the show photographer to ask if there are show pictures available for the club. **Facebook:** No update at this time.
 - D. **Membership** – We currently have 3 new member applications. The first of the three will be up for vote the first week of October.
 - E. **By-Laws Committee** – The board has decided to set a separate meeting to begin the review of the By-Laws. The board has set a date of **Wednesday, October 12, 2016** at our normal meeting time; using our new call in information. We will break the By-Laws into several sections to review.
 - F. **Sunshine Committee** – The birthday cards are up to date for September; Margaret will be working on the October birthdays. It has been pretty quiet. Michael did send an email to Margaret asking if had all member's birthdates. Michael will follow up with Margaret.

- G. **Versatility Program** – The committee has not started working on the program. They are looking to start with a simple plan and working forward. Michael will check with Jean for an update for October.
4. **Unfinished Business:**
- A. **AKC Royal Canin Championship “Meet The Breed”** - We need to decide if we will purchase electricity for the event. The cost is \$110.00 for the weekend. Rose sent the board an email outlining the ideas for the new booth. The board discussed the idea's, Michael made a motion for Rose to spend approximately \$250.00 to revitalize our booth for the 2016 Meet The Breed. Rose stated, Ana Catarina Alves has volunteered to send pictures of dogs from Portugal. The money would be used for mounting the 8 X 10 pictures; along with the 3 large panels with pictures and for the assortment of fabric and large ribbons that she was planning on purchasing. Patti seconded the motion, all board members attending were in favor of revamping the club booth. Lance made a motion that we purchase the electricity for the booth. Rose seconded the motion. All board members in attendance were in favor. Michael will scan and email the Meet The Breed and Electricity form to Penny for payment and submission. Rose will advertise on Facebook for photos and information for the booth. John will review with Suzanne in regards to the copyright on the logo used by the club. Rose is looking into the possible use of shirts for the volunteers to wear while attending the booth. The approximate cost of \$250.00 for the booth, will not include the costs of shirts for the volunteers while at the booth.
5. **New Business:**
- A. **“Meet the Clubs” section to AKC Family Dog Magazine**– Penny has presented to the Board information about the “Meet the Clubs” that would be featured in the AKC Family Dog Magazine. The initial deadline has passed for the next issue. If the club is interested in future advertising of this type; the cost is \$200.00 per issue and the magazine is published six (6) times per year. Rose will scan and send out a sample to the board.
- B. **Move up of the Club Officers** – With the resignation of our President, Suzanne Faria; the current Vice President John Fitzpatrick has moved into the President position. Lance made the motion to accept John Fitzpatrick as the new President. Stacy seconded the motion. All attending board members voted in favor of John as the new President.
- C. **Open Board Position** – The board received three (3) applications for the open board position. The candidates were Tonda Curry, Susan Sousa and Margaret Boisture. The board discussed the pros and cons of each applicant. After the discussion of each applicant, the board voted for the open board position. Margaret Boisture has been elected by majority vote as our new Board Member.
6. **Adjournment – Meeting was adjourned at 8:12 PM PDT**