

## Portuguese Podengo Pequenos of America, Inc.

### Minutes for Board Meeting of January 27, 2021

**Board Members in Attendance** – Susan Souza – President, Bekki Pina- VP, Shawn Brown-Secretary, Jean Evanoff – Treasurer, Patti Litchfield — Board Member At Large, Nola Boyd - Board Member At Large, Karen Oglesby-Board Member At Large, Kaye Atkinson-Board Member at Large: Lance McGinness – Board Member At Large

**Board Member(s) absent:** none

**Meeting was called to order** by President Susan Souza, at 6:03 PM PST

1. **Approval of the minutes from January 6, 2020 (for Dec 20 meeting);** Lance made a motion to accept the minutes, Bekki seconded the motion. Motion passed with one abstain.
2. **Treasurer Report-** Sent by Jean, approved for inclusion with November minutes. Motion to accept by Bekki, Second by Lance, Passed.
3. **Reports of Committees:**
  - A. **Judges Education Committee** –Nothing to report
  - B. **Health & Research** –Nothing to report
  - C. **Membership** –Patti Litchfield- at present, we have 128 members; 76 single and 26 Household. Welcome new members Barbara Shook vote on 1/16/21 and Susan Devaux on 1/18/21. Pending for membership is Susan (Soosi) Day on 2/9 and Betsy L. Bucks on 2/14.
  - D. **Sunshine Committee** – Nothing to report (see under New Business)
  - E. **Futurity/Maturity Committee** – Bekki reports 14 bitch nominations for 2021, 10 whelping notifications, 5 puppy nominations for 2021 and 12 Maturity nominations for 2021.
  - F. **Meet the Breeds-** No report.
  - G. **Media-** No report, PIP was published.
  - H. **Legislative** –Diane Corrected the minutes of Dec as follows: **GRANT OF LICENSE:** Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, Licensor grants to Licensee the non-exclusive, non-transferable, non-assignable, limited right, revocable, license and privilege to use the trademarks, and logos set forth on Schedule A (called the “Licensed Mark”), in the United States (the “Territory”) **solely in connection with Parent Club Advertisement on breed search result pages of [Marketplace.akc.org](https://www.marketplace.akc.org), booth signage for AKC Meet the Breeds events and within the breed pages on AKC.org and for no other purposes whatsoever** (“Licensed Use(s)”). Also, Diane reported that there were 8 LA’s for specific states/counties/cities/towns where we have no members or info relevant to our breed. There are 3 for Mass relating to 1) training of service dogs for Vets and 2) emergency medical treatment for police dogs injured on the job. These provisions were submitted as amendments to the budget bill. The training of service dogs passed out of the Senate. The emergency treatment for police dogs did not. Will be submitted by sponsor as an independent bill. Alerts sent to Mass members. (2) for NJ initiated in the AR community to allow for the appointment of guardians for dogs for legal cases. It made it out of committee. Our member in NJ was missed, but Diane will follow up with her. Lastly, Mich previously reported information on breed specific legislation.
  - I. **2021 National:** Application is off to AKC, Susan reports that 3 other breeds may be splitting our ring cost for the day.

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. **Audit:** Jean reports that the audit is progressing.

- B. Logo Wear:** Going LIVE soon, but Karen still needs tax ID number. A notice will be put out when orders can be taken!
- C. Sire and Dam Program:** Jean provided input, Bekki will ask for more, and give BOD up date next meeting Her goal is an April 2021 start date.
- D. Club President FB page:** Susan sent an email to other “low entry” breed clubs and asked how they are going to handle their Top 20, if one is offered. She is still waiting to compile that info. There was much discussion about membership dues and “fees”, and Susan will send out that spreadsheet to Board members when it becomes available.
- E. AKC Membership Club:** Shawn and Susan will forward all info to AKC ASAP.

**New Business:**

- A. Volunteers:** Patti Litchfield has volunteered to be the Membership Education Chair, and Nola has volunteered to be the Sunshine Chair, coming off of the Judges Ed committee. Motion to accept assignments by Bekki, Second by Susan, Passed.
- B. Supported Entry:** Winter Blast, Valley Forge KC on Dec 11, 2021 will be supported by the PPPA. The BOD encourages ALL members to consider hosting a Supported entry in their areas. Applications are on the website.
- C. Nominating Committee:** Bekki was appointed as the Board member, and Ashley Lowery and Shannon Oliver were named as the members at large. The alternates are Debby Adams and Lynne Spencer. Bekki will meet with the committee and present a slate to the BOD before March 1, and nominations from the floor will be open then until April 4.
- D. Request for National Bids:** Bids are now being accepted until June 1, 2021 for the 2023 National Specialty. The application is available on line, and any member considering a bid can always contact the BOD with ANY questions!

Having no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:08PM PST

Respectfully submitted by Shawn Brown, Secretary