

Portuguese Podengo Pequenos of America, Inc.

Minutes for Board Meeting of July 26, 2017

Board Members in Attendance –

Rose Hidlay – President/By-Laws Committee Chair, Patti Litchfield – Vice President/
Membership Chair, Michael Hobbs-Ohlinger – Secretary, Margaret Boisture – Treasurer/Sunshine
Committee, Lance McGinness – Board Member at Large and Robin Kirtley – Board Member At
Large, Susan Souza – Board Member At Large, Lynne Spencer – Board Member At Large

Board Member(s) absent –

Tonda Curry – Board Member At Large

Meeting was called to order by President Rose Hidlay, at 9:02 PM EST

1. **Approval of the minutes from June 28, 2017** – In the minutes, the name Carlos needed to be changed to Carla as one of the authors of the available books. The board also discussed the pricing of the books; the pricing will be brought up in new business. Lance made a motion to accept the minutes with the name change; Patti seconded the motion. All attending board members voted in favor of the minutes with the change. June 28, 2017 minutes approved with the change.
2. **Approval of the Treasurer's Report for July 2017** – The treasurer report is getting longer as the year progresses. Lance made the motion to accept the Treasurer Report; Robin seconded the motion. All attending board members voted in favor of the Treasurer Report. The Treasurer report has been accepted.
3. **Reports of Committees:**
 - A. **Judges Education Committee** – The Judged Education has been set up for the Nationals and we are receiving Judges that would like to attend the seminar. The Judges Education committee went will in Houston, we are starting to receive feedback from the judges that attended.
 - B. **Health & Research** – No report at this time.
 - C. **Media** – (Update from Bud) Late last evening I was able to get the test script to run. It required adding an additional line of code to the file. The database tables are built and working. The main script of the program still has trouble working. If a get a more positive update I will let you know this afternoon.
Newsletter – The PiP Newsletter will be completed and sent within the next couple of weeks. Stacy has posted to the FaceBook Group for the Media; asking for information and updates for the PiP Newsletter.
 - D. **Membership** – As of today we have a total of 120 Members and 2 Junior Members
60 Single Memberships
30 Household Memberships = 60 members
No other membership applications have been submitted at this time
 - E. **By-Laws Committee** – Rose has spoken with Carl Holder, Carl is a Parliamentarian and an AKC Delegate. Carl has agreed to review and give suggestions for our revised By-Laws, prior to the revised By-Laws going to the membership and AKC for review. Carl suggested that as a board, we need to define our Club Privileges and make these Privileges known to the membership; should we have an issue with a suspension, the suspended party(ies) know the consequences of their suspension. The definition of privileges will be discussed in the new business.
 - F. **Sunshine Committee** – The Sunshine committee will be mailing the cards for the middle of July and August events.

- G. **Versatility Program** – The committee has sent the board an outline of the proposed program. We the board had a question regarding the points needed for reach each step of the program. Karen has clarified that the points are an accumulation; for instance, to attain the Novice ranking; you must accumulate 5 points from 3 different categories. Lance made the motion to accept the proposed program; Michael seconded the motion. All attending board members voted in favor of the program.
- H. **Awards Committee** – Susan has received the invoices for the Medallions; she has sent the invoice to Margaret for payment. Susan has sent the program to Bud for review, Bud has not yet responded. Susan will finish the program, after verifies ownership of the top Stud Dogs and Brood Bitches. Susan sent to the board the rules for each award and how the dogs are awarded. A synopsis of the rules will be added to the club website. As a reminder, awards will be awarded to club member only.
- A member of the club made a recommendation to add a club directory to the awards program. The board discusses the recommendation and feel we can possibly do this for future Nationals.
4. **Unfinished Business:**
- A. **Committee Chairs** – The board is in the process of reviewing and outlining the Club Committees. Outlining each committee’s responsibilities and expectations of the committee. This will also outline the expectations of the board. Once the Board has reviewed and revised the committee definitions this will be published to the membership.
- B. **Club Incorporation** – The Club Incorporation in the State of Nevada has been renewed; the Officers and Board Members have been updated.
- C. **2017 National Update** – The committee discussed a photographer that would be able to take ring shots during the Nationals. The cluster photographer is Skibinski Photography; Stacy will contact him to see if he will provide the ringside photos. Another option, there will be a company at the cluster that specializes in ringside and action photography. Stacy will also contact this company to inquire about pricing and availability. The host hotel for the Nationals is the Clarion Hotel. The Sheraton Hotel has offered the club the same rate as the Clarion Hotel; we will send an email to the membership to let the members know of the optional hotel. The club has reserved a total of 10 spots for the Podengos, several of the board members has offered to pay and donate a spot within the 10 reserved. We will be asking for donations to pay for all grooming spots.
- D. **2018 National Update** – No update at this time. We will have a flyer and an Ad ready and present for the 2017 Nationals.
- E. **Microchips** – AKC has presented us with a discounted rate for the microchip which will include the registration of the microchip for a cost of \$12.95 per microchip. AKC has also stated that if we purchase too many, we can return any unopened boxes of microchips to AKC. The Board has decided to send out to the membership asking for interest for microchipping at Nationals. The Board has decided the cost to have a club members dog microchipped will be \$20.00.
5. **New Business:**
- A. **Portuguese Podengo Pequenos Books** –The Board discussed and decided the pricing of the books. The price of the books will be \$25.00 for Carla’s book, \$90.00 for Nuno’s Book, \$25.00 for Vitor’s book and \$25.00 for the Yearbook. The books will be available for purchase at the 2017 National Specialty; if the books are purchased and shipped, the shipping charge will be in addition to the cost of the books
- B. **Club Suspension** - The complainant Sheila Schweit filed charges against the defendant Jean Evanoff, in accordance with the club’s bylaws and AKC rules; as a result of a disciplinary hearing, the Hearing Board determined the defendant shall be suspended for a period of three (3) months.

C. Club Privileges – The board discussed what a club privilege is. We as a board need to decide and outline in writing what privileges comes with the membership of the club. Lance made a motion, the club privileges decided by the board will be listed and start from completion of the privileges; Rose seconded the motion. All attending boards approved. The board has decided to communicate their thoughts on club privileges via email.

Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 11:27 pm EST.