

Georgia Boxer Club
January 16, 2016

Attendance: Members – Sherry Johnson, Ken Johnson, Jennifer Graham, Todd Graham, Sherry Buchla, Todd Buchla, Bridget Brown, Roberto Elinan, Sara Mathews, Lisa Crowder

Attendance – Guests: N/A

Welcome: Our Vice President, Jennifer Graham, called the meeting to order and welcomed attendees.

Minutes: Bridget Brown made a motion to dispense reading of the minutes and the motion was seconded by Roberto Elinan.

Board of Directors: Sherry Johnson announced that the Board had elected Roberto Elinan as Chairman and Sara Mathews as Assistance Chairperson. The Board also decided to hold meetings at the January, April, July, October (Jonesboro) and December meetings in 2016.

Treasurer: Bridget Brown reported that there were 5 members who did not pay dues by the December 31st deadline – Dr. Jackie Royce, Nancy Reidy, Mike Ahlers, Trina Ahlers, and Sharon Davis. Those members will forfeit their membership if they have not paid by Feb. 1, 2016. In addition, Andrea Bickleman, Lone Foster, and Rosemary Lichtenburger advised the club that they will not be renewing their membership. Bridget also informed the membership that Wells Fargo had closed the GBC bank account because the club's Georgia Corporation had lapsed due to incomplete paperwork. Bridget reported that the present balance is \$6302.11. \$860 for rescue (\$500 check from last year not cashed by Atlanta Boxer Rescue) and \$360 in reserve. Bridget also stated that ABC did not cash our 2016 membership check that had been mailed in early December until December 31st after the account was closed. She is working with Sharon Steckler, ABC Treasurer to resolve. Bridget reported that the current balance was \$5714.71 minus the \$60 outstanding check to ABC.

Secretary: N/A

Delegate's Report: N/A

Prestige: Sherry Johnson stated that she had taken over Prestige after the resignation of Debbie McAlpine and that she had emailed Carol Simmons 3 times to ask what documents they needed but had not yet received a response. Knowing what documents that Combined requires, she is furnishing the same to Prestige.

Combined: Sherry Johnson reported that she had received an email from Mary Ellen for a final proof of the premium list and noted that while the officers were correct in the premium, the Board members were not. Sherry attempted to correct the information but was told it was not possible to change at this point. On a positive note, Sherry pointed out that Onofrio had questions for 18 other clubs but there were no questions for the Georgia Boxer Club.

ABC: Bridget Brown reported that she received a letter from Donna Purichia asking the Georgia Boxer Club to consider making a donation to assist the Central Indiana Boxer Club with the expense of hosting the Saturday night hospitality event at the ABC National in May. Bridget noted that GBC donated \$100

last year but asked the membership to consider the GBC's current financial situation. Roberto Elinan made a motion to donate \$100 and the motion was seconded by Ken Johnson. Discussion ensued and Lisa Crowder suggested that the GBC make the donation as a club but that each member present donate \$10 to the cause. All members were in agreement with this suggestion. Roberto withdrew his motion, then Lisa made her motion, which was 2nd by Jennie Graham. The motion passed unanimously and Bridget Brown collected \$100 from the members present to be put towards supporting the Central Indiana Boxer Club's Saturday night hospitality. Bridget made the membership aware that the American Boxer Charitable Foundation (ABCF) and the American Boxer Top Twenty were each holding raffles for free rooms at the ABC National and reserved seating.

Show Chair Persons' Reports:

Spring 2016 – Bridget Brown reported that the premium proof had been received and, as noted above, the Board members listed are incorrect but cannot be changed. It was noted that Peggy Otto was on top of ordering the trophies and that Bridget and Jen McPhee would be in communication soon to discuss hospitality. It was noted that the Annual Dinner will be held in a private room again, at no expense to the club. Bridget stated that the judges were Pam Dehetre for the regular show and Andrea Bradford for Sweeps. Bridget will touch base with the judges closer to the date of the show (Pam DeHetre - Specialty Judge and Andrea Bradford - Sweeps Judge). It was noted that Deb McAlpine had emailed Peggy Otto to notify the club that she would no longer sponsor the Bred By dog trophy for this show. Sara Mathews agreed to sponsor the Bred By dog trophy.

Fall 2016 – Ken Johnson - Show Chair: The Specialty Judge will be Audrey Lycan. Sherry Johnson noted that GBC had applied to the AKC and that Sweeps would be considered if the club could find a person to judge for free. Sherry suggested that the club ask Claudia Clifton. Bridget Brown made a motion to ask Mrs. Clifton and accept her as Sweeps judge, if she agreed. Todd Graham 2nd the motion. The motion was passed

Spring 2017 – Sara Mathews - Show Chair: Sara reported that only 1 judge nomination was received for the regular show (Cheryl Robbins) and Bridget Brown for Sweeps. Sara noted that she would send out the appropriate forms to Mrs. Robbins and Ms. Brown.

Fall 2017 – Jennie Graham - Show Chair: Jennifer reported that she hadn't started yet on planning the show but stated that she would once the Spring 2017 show was finalized. Sherry Johnson offered to assist Jennie

Committee Reports:

Holter: N/A

Web Page: Peggy Otto updates the website after every meeting.

Boxer Rescue: Jennifer Graham reported that the Atlanta Boxer Rescue would beginning the planning season soon for the October 2016 Boxerstock fundraiser.

Nominating Committee: N/A

President's Report: Sherry Johnson noted that Bridget Brown was now taking over the annual awards and that members need to send her copies of any title certificates that were awarded by AKC in 2015 by February 15th so Bridget could order plaques for the April awards banquet. Sherry inquired as to which bills are now due – ABCF dues, and trophy bill to ABC.

Old Business: Sherry Johnson suggested tabling until the next meeting Jennie Graham's proposal that we reconsider renting out the holter to non-members if the non-member has a reference from a member and pays a fee.

New Business: Sherry Johnson reported that Rosemary Lichtenburger had resigned from the Sunshine committee. Bridget Brown agreed to take over those duties. Sherry Johnson suggested tabling until the next meeting Jen McPhee's proposal that we consider allowing members to attend via Skype. Sherry Johnson suggested that the club pay \$250.00 for our awards dinner – a motion was made by Ken Johnson and 2nd by Todd Buchla. The motion was voted on and passed.

Brag: N/A

Future Meetings:

February – Jonesboro show site – Saturday, February 6, 2016 at 12:00 noon. Sara Matthews will serve as host and will coordinate finger foods for lunch.

April – Perry show site – Saturday, April 16 at 6:30pm – Bridget Brown/Jen McPhee. The club will pay \$250 towards the Awards Dinner, consisting of pizza and salad. Sherry Johnson will send out an email in March to ask members to donate towards the Annual Dinner expense.

July – the home of Lisa Crowder, time and date TBD

Motion made by Sherry Buchla to adjourn the meeting – 2nd by Todd Graham