GCA General Meeting Minutes

NEW BOLTON CENTER, OCTOBER 5, 2001

Rose Mary Conner RECORDING SECRETARY

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

GCA President Sue LeMieux called the general membership meeting to order at approximately 5:45 following the Specialty judging.

The following 33 GCA members were in attendance:

Sheryl Bartel

Linda Bell

Lois Bires

Penny Bolt

Margaret Bryson

Patti Clark

Angela Cockburn

Rose Mary Conner

Carol Curlee

Laurel Drew

Dani Edgerton

Terry Fletcher

Cathy Gaidos

Beth Anne Gordon

Kathleen Helmke

Sue LeMieux

Ellen Lowdermilk

Maureen Lucas

Joan Malak

John Malak

June Matarazzo

Pamela Noll

Susan Obert

Roger Owens

Lisa Pane

Stacy Pober

Gloria Reese

Pamela Rubenstein

Melanie Steele

J Camille Thompson-Schob

Judy Jones Tisdale

Robert Urban

The follow visitors also attended and signed the roster: Brenda Adams, Andy Bires, Jeanne Haggard, Darlene Klein, Mindy Liebau, Carrie McCord, Heather Minnich, Nat Reese, Elaine Summerhill, and Cyndi Swanson.

(Note on minutes content from the Recording Secretary: These minutes follow the specific Robert's Rules of Order guide-

line that minutes "should contain mainly a record of what was done at the meeting, not what was said at the meeting." Hence, since none

of the issues discussed at this meeting led to a motion, only the names of those who participated in those discussions will be included.)

The Recording Secretary read the minutes of the general membership meeting on Thursday, July 26, 2001 following the WSCS Specialty at Lompoc. They were approved as read.

Since there was no GCA Board meeting at this Specialty due to lack of a quorum, there was no Board meeting report. There were no formal reports from officers or committees, since they had been so recently issued, reviewed, and published in the Newsletter following the Lompoc Specialty.

OLD BUSINESS

GCA's President, Sue LeMieux. reviewed outstanding old business issues: In response to Sue's request for someone to serve as the GCA Webmaster. Elaine Summerhill and Lisa Pane volunteered.

Sue reminded the membership that the deadline for submission of independent nominations for the three Member of the Board positions, terms beginning January 1, 2002, is October 15, 2001. Such submissions must meet the criteria delineated in the Constitution.

Sue also reviewed the implications and resulting potential dissemination of misinformation following the Board decision at the Lompoc Board meeting not to participate in discussions of current GCA business and issues on

internet lists. She also reviewed the facts and statistics of relevant prior GCA votes with specific reference to the 1997 membership vote on the Stud Book issue.

Sue stated that the Stud Book issue is under formal active consideration by the AKC, that the final resolution is up to the AKC, and that GCA cannot entertain any further actions or issues relating to this until the AKC makes its decision.

NEW BUSINESS

After reading a letter from Barbara Wilton-Clark supporting the GCA in the aftermath of the September 11, 2001 disasters (included elsewhere in the Newsletter in its entirety), the President opened the meeting to limited discussion by members on recent GCA Board initiatives. Recognized speakers, in addition to Board members present, included Joan Malak, Penny Bolt, Laurel Drew, Gloria Reese, Stacy Pober, Ellen Lowdermilk. Melanie Steele, and Kathy Helmke.

MEETING ADJOURNED

Ellen Lowdermilk moved to adjourn the meeting at approximately 6:30. This was deferred in order that several more people could speak. Her motion was entertained at approximately 6:45, seconded, and passed. The meeting was adjourned.

> To a dog, every man is Napoleon.