

# California Gymkhana Association

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

November 19, 2023 Visalia, California

1. Opening and Introductory Comments: President Nathan Rowles opened the meeting at 9:08am, thanked all for being in attendance.

- a. Introduction of new elected and appointed directors

Nathan announced and welcomed the 4 elected director positions. The new directors are Shannon Cannon, Lorelei Lehman, Kyra Allemand, and Dawn Mileham. Nathan's proposed appointments were as follows: Since no one ran for Vice President, secretary, or treasurer, Nathan appointed Andy Krogh as Vice President, Brittney Fontyn as Secretary, and Dawn Mileham as Treasurer. Jim Nessen was appointed Northern VP, Lorelei Lehman was appointed southern VP, and Margo Abatti was appointed Central VP.

Since Lorelei and Dawn were directors, Nathan appointed Vicky St.Martin and Fayra Staas to fill their positions

Remaining appointed directors are as follows : Marc Hughs, Rachel Trani, Sonja Peery, Samantha Coelho.

All appointments were approved by vote.

2. Rules of Conduct for the meeting were read by Vice President, Andy Krogh.

## Reports:

- a. Presidents report- Nathan Rowles none
- b. Vice Presidents report- Andy Krogh none
- c. Secretary's Report- outgoing secretary Sheri Herchkorn  
Sheri reminded all to sign in for attendance & thanked CGA for having her as secretary the past two years
- d. Treasurer's report- outgoing secretary Danna Cote  
Danna highlighted the profit & loss summary. She noted that there is a 43% increase in sign up's for top rating awards which increases revenue. She also highlighted that the report for cost for convention wouldn't be accurate due to CGA holding 2022 convention in Jan. Therefore the cost of 2 conventions is what's represented in the report. Gross profit is up 10% from this time last year, overall \$34,506 more than last year. Current bank balance \$131,386.37 motion to accept report by Andy Krogh second by Marc Hughes.

- e. Board of governors report- Chair Timmi Lemen  
Timmi informed all that there would be a BOG meeting Feb 3rd, at the Hilton Garden Inn for discussion regarding state show. At that time they would also be putting to vote for the empty BOG position. Marc Hughes made a motion to suspend the 90 day waiting period and nominate and vote in BOG member today. Dianna Malley seconded motion. All board of governors, directors and district delegates voted in favor. Bob Cranor was nominated by district 20 delegate Avielle Hannan, Bob accepted nomination. Bob left room while a vote took place. Majority voted in favor of Bob taking BOG position. Timmi reported that jamboree profited \$10,152 and thanked districts 3 and 45 for hosting. The state office job hours for general manager is increasing from 30hrs per week to 40hrs per week. The general manager isn't getting a raise, however will be compensated for the addition hours worked. Northern and Southern classic bids are open and the deadline to get in bids is Jan 15th. There were letters written to disruptive members from state show reminding what conduct is expected. A letter was written to former general manager informing all software and data be kept at state office only.
  
- f. General managers report- Marnie Nessen  
Reported we have 261 family memberships and 729 individual memberships for a total of 1522 current members. She is currently planning a meeting to possibly move the registration to state show to an online registration in an attempt to save postage. Last year over 800 entry forms were mailed out and less than 100 of them were used to enter show. CGA shortened the program at convention this year by removing all the historical stats and added them to the website instead. Making that change saved \$191 in printing. Possibly looking into getting a new end of year awards supplier as our current supplier has raised prices and been having a hard time getting our orders by deadline. If we do switch suppliers we would also probably have to change what we give out as awards for 1st and 2nd tier awards due to no other suppliers providing the bracelets, breast collars, or headstall sets. Possibly look into getting an awards committee to see what options are available.

## **Committee Report**

- 1. Master judges advisory committee- Janet Young  
There was a saddle with Velcro that was brought to the committees attention, the product in question is called a Martha Josie magic seat. The committee came to the conclusion that while they wouldn't encourage it there is nothing in the rules at this time that makes it illegal. Details will be posted in the Judges Corner. During discussion, Sara Whyte from D22 brought to attention for CGA to check the insurance policy because her personal equine policy at her facility specifically states no Velcro can be used so in an effort to protect CGA to confirm it wouldn't be in violation of the insurance policy.

2. State Show Committee:

BOG looked at other venues nothing was suitable, decided to extend contract at Bolado Park for 1 year. With the understand that bolado will allow us to rip the ground. They are also honoring our price from last year as well. State show will be held July 21-26 2024. Requested arena lights be fixed and no one else be on the grounds while we are there. Lea Legnon is in Hollister and is going to be attending the monthly meetings come January to make sure they are making the upgrades agreed upon. Most likely will not have a state show photographer this next year.

**Old business:** no old business

**New Business: (voting)**

1. Submitted by Sheri Herchkorn. Policy manual 2.4 Eligibility and Term of Office for Members of the Board of directors.

Motion to add a 2.4.12, Board of Governors Term Limit. "A BOG member may only be elected to 2 consecutive terms (8 years). They may run again after 1 year. This does not include the CGA President who when elected as the president also has a position on the BOG for their 2 year term. Seconded by Marc Hughes. **-Motion FAILED**

2. Submitted by Bob Cranor to procedure manual. 2.2a Motion to add the word "themselves". "All nominations for officers and elected Directors shall be accepted at CGA state office starting ninety (90) days prior to the annual election and will close forty-five (45) days before the annual election. All nominations must be in writing. Any member may nominate another member or themselves, who meets the qualifications of the office. All candidates must submit their nomination acceptance in writing to the state office by the close of nominations". Seconded by Marc Hughes- **Motion PASSED**

**Other issues or concerns:**

District 22 presented a possible option for state show 2025. Krogh made a formal request to split the account balance from the diluted district 9 to be split between district 2 and the new district in San Diego.

Next meeting will be at state show in July at bolado park, meeting adjourned at 12:21

Respectfully submitted by Brittney Fontyn, CGA Secretary

## ATTENDANCE:

### CGA Officers

		<b>Present/ Absent</b>
President	Nathan Rowles	Present
Past President	Timmi Lemen	Present
Vice President	Andy Krogh.	Present
Treasurer	Dawn Mileham.	Present
Secretary	Brittney Fontyn	Present
Northern VP	Jim Nessen	Present
Central VP	Margo Abatti	Present
Southern VP	Lorelei Lehman	Present
Rules & Judges Chair	Janet Young	Present
Parliamentarian	Leia Larson	Present

### Board of Governors

Timmi Lemen (Chair)	Present
Lea Legnon	Present
Nathan Rowles	Present
Dianna Malley	Present
Bob Cranor	Present

### Elected Directors

Kyra Allemand	Present
Charla Cranor	Present
Matt Fredriks	Present
Allyson Shiffrar	Present
Shannon Cannon	Present
Andrea Garcia	Present
Sonja Peery	Present
Samantha Coelho	Present

### Appointed Directors

Marc Hughes	Present
Rachel Trani	Present
Fayra Staas	Present
Vicky St. Martin	Present

## District Delegates

District 1	Jessica Pacheco	Present
District 2	Susan Tobin	Present
District 3	Heather Malfatti	Present
District 4	Dee Andrea Ellis	Present
District 10	Andrew Krogh	Present
District 14	Vikki St. Martin	Present
District 17	Marleah Gonzales	Present
District 18	Sonja Peery	Present
District 20	Avielle Hannon	Present
District 22	Brittney Fontyn	Present
District 27	Laura Allemand	Present
District 33	Jennifer Chenal	Present
District 35	Melinda Alexander	Present
District 40	Samantha Coelho	Present
District 45	Jill Druzgala	Present
District 49	Stephanie Cain	Absent
District 50	Candi Tucker	Present