

GoldHeart Golden Retriever Rescue, Inc.  
Board Meeting Minutes

Date: February 16, 2008

Place: President David Beaver's home – Reisterstown, MD

Attendees: David Beaver (President)  
Trish Thomas (Vice-President)  
Melissa Bageant (Secretary)  
Edie Galpin (Board Member at Large)  
Lisa Hecker (Board Member at Large)  
Barb Schaefer (Board Member at Large)  
Jen Brechin (Webmaster)

At 2:00 pm President David Beaver called the meeting to order.

### **OPERATIONAL REPORTS**

#### David Beaver - President's report:

The President has been receiving a lot of emails from the public asking about dogs, events. He is pleased with the better communication between Board members, and between GH and the public.

#### Donna Blake - Treasurer's report:

Donna Blake was not at the meeting, but sent her Treasurer's report via email afterwards. We took in \$6464.26 from January 1 thru February 15th. Our expenses for the same time period were \$7426.13. We have a net income of -\$961.87. There is at least one outstanding boarding bill that was charged to the credit card around 2/15. It is not included in these figures. The bill is probably around \$900.00. As usual, our largest expense is vet bills followed by boarding bills. I think that for right now if we want to let Bob (merchandise coordinator) have a budget for merchandise, it should be no more than \$500. We can always revisit this amount after we start getting in some more income. (We need to really push these raffle tickets). I have already spoken to Bob and he thinks the \$500 amount would be just fine for now.

#### Melissa Bageant - Secretary's report:

Melissa Bageant read the minutes from the last meeting (annual in January).

**ACTION:** At 2:25 Lisa Hecker made a motion to accept the reading of the previous meeting's minutes – all agreed.

#### Lisa Hecker - Adoption Coordinator report:

A lot of adoption applications came in. Lisa asked that all hand filled out and mailed applications be scanned and emailed to her and Sandra Miller.

Edie Galpin – intake/foster home report:

Two new foster homes pending. Since 1/5/2008 nine new dogs have come into GH. Three new incoming dogs are pending. Edie has been slowly going through all of the dogs' folders verifying all paperwork is present.

ACTION: Edie asked for approval to purchase more pinch collars. All present approved.

Trish Thomas – fund raising report:

The June lottery raffle tickets need to be pushed and all sold. Trish will make up a gift basket to be sold by a silent auction at PawsAbilities in March. Barb Schaefer suggested a dog washing fund raiser, in warmer weather.

Jen Brechin – webmaster/membership database report:

Jen continues working on updating the membership database. Jen suggested that down the road there be a link on the website for people to renew their annual membership, using their email address as their user id. Edie will compile a list of foster homes for Jen.

**NEW BUSINESS**

ACTION: Edie requested “seed” money for the new merchandise coordinator so he can make purchases as needed. All present approved pending approval by the Treasurer (who was absent).

Eventually the website will have links for all GH forms, intake db, adoption db, membership db – all accessible by Board members with a password.

Jen will add a “Friends of GoldHeart” link on the website to show those businesses that support GH – have GH donation jars on their countertops, etc.. There will be links to the businesses websites also.

A flier for the GH license plate will be inserted into the foster home packets – Melissa will create one.

GH will participate in the following events:

- March 8 & 9 – PawsAbilities – Harrisburg, PA Farm Show Complex
- April 12 – Anne Arundel County Adopt-A-Thon
- April 12 – School of the Incarnation Yard Sale/Craft Fair, Gambrills, MD – GH will offer microchipping
- April 20 – SPCA March for the Animals – Druid Hill Park, Baltimore, MD
- June 8 – Dog Fun Day – Lewisberry, PA (Bella Vista Training Care Center)
- June 8 – Howard County, MD Pet Expo
- Labor Day Weekend – GoldStock 2008
- Sept. 28 – Paws on Parade – Baltimore County, MD
- Oct. 4 – Pets on Wheels Dog-A-Thon – Oregon Ridge, Hunt Valley, MD

Trish Thomas will look into finding a place to have the annual picnic in the fall.

At 5:00 pm David Beaver declared the meeting adjourned.