

Minutes of the Special General Meeting of the GSP Club of SA Inc

Tuesday 8th March 2022 at Dogs SA

Financial Member Present:

Liat O'Malley	Jadine Mackenzie	Sheila O'Neill	Kristen O'Malley
Andrew Chinnick	Jenni Drew	Maddi Jones	Margaret Bush
Rebecca Bush (Minutes)			

Committee Members Present:

Carolyn Jones	Jacques Klop	Yvonne Klop (VP)
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Financial Members Via Telelink:

Sally Rattle	Todd Sproule
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Apologies:

Nil

Dogs SA Representative Present:

Brian Fielder

Meeting Opened at 6.10pm

This meeting was chaired by Vice-President Yvonne Klop as the President was not present.

Carolyn Jones provided a brief as to why the meeting had been called and read out the letter that was sent to the GSP Club of SA Committee with the 3 motions being put forward.

The GSP Club of SA Point Score was cancelled in November 2021, 9 months into the club year. The reasoning behind it was that Dogzonline had suspended their point score throughout the year as states other than SA had been impacted by Covid and it was not fair on their competition as Dogzonline was a National, State, Group and Breed based competition. The GSP Club of SA competition is a state based competition where in excess of 40 shows were held in the year. SA was not impacted at all.

The club made this decision at a meeting where Carolyn Jones was an apology. The minutes did not seem to truly reflect the meeting and the motion does not appear to have been correctly put forward, moved and seconded.

An email was sent to specific members (Heiderst Kennels & Jadine Mackenzie only) and not the entire member base advising of the cancellation of the point score competition. It was also noted on the club's facebook page which raised multiple discussions. Jadine Mackenzie queried this and was told to send her concerns to the committee in writing, which she did.

Jadine competes mainly in retrieving which does not have any association with the Dogzonline pointscore competition and she queried why her discipline was impacted when no retrieving trial in the season had been cancelled.

The committee voted that the decision was final and that pointscore competitions for all disciplines, Conformation, Retrieving and Obedience were cancelled. Which is what has led to this meeting being called.

Carolyn Jones asked for it to be re-considered because of the wishes of the broader membership base, but it again was voted against.

The GSP Club of SA were formally requested by Dogs SA to re-consider. They did not.

Rebecca Bush asked for clarification as to whether it was recorded correctly in the minutes, moved, seconded and voted upon, and was advised it was not.

Jacques Klop advised that he was not advised or contacted regarding this meeting. He was advised of the process that the constitution calls for, which had been duly followed.

Yvonne Klop advised that when the decision was made to cancel the pointscore competitions herself and her husband Jacques could only go by the information they were provided with and had not had it explained to them like it had been this evening.

Carolyn Jones asked Brian Fielder for his input.

Brian confirmed that only those present in the room could vote, not those via telelink and $\frac{3}{4}$ of the members present were required to be in favour for the motions to pass.

Rebecca Bush explained to Brian as to why Todd Sproule and Sally Rattle were present via telelink and that they co-owned exhibits in SA, therefore this decision impacts them also.

The motions put forward were as follows:

- 1 That the 2021 GSP Club of SA In trophy awards for the 2021 year be reinstated and that members can apply for such awards for which they are eligible.
Moved: Carolyn Jones Seconded: Liat O'Malley ALL IN FAVOR - CARRIED

- 2 That eligible applications for the 2021 awards will be accepted up until Friday March 11 and that recipients of awards are determined and announced within 30 days from the date of the GSP club of SA AGM.
Moved: Carolyn Jones Seconded: Kristen O'Malley

Jadine Mackenzie moved to amend the closing date of the annual awards to the 18th March 2022 to allow sufficient time for applicants to compile their documentation and submit.

MOVED: Jadine Mackenzie Seconded: Kristen O'Malley ALL IN FAVOR – CARRIED

That eligible applications for the 2021 awards will be accepted up until Friday March 18 2022 and that recipients of awards are determined and announced within 30 days from the date of the GSP club of SA AGM.
ALL IN FAVOR – CARRIED

- 3 That no physical trophies are presented for the 2021 awards, instead, that acknowledgement and details of all trophy winners are published in the next edition of the GSP Club of SA newsletter and on the GSP Club of SA website once the recipients have been determined.
MOVED: Carolyn Jones Seconded: Jadine Mackenzie ALL IN FAVOR – CARRIED

Yvonne Klop apologised for making the decision that she did in the first instance and reiterated that she was not presented with the information that she has been this evening.

Meeting Closed at 6.35pm