



MONTEREY BAY GREAT DANE CLUB

Monterey Bay Great Dane Club General Meeting Monday, September 8, 2025 Minutes

The meeting was called to order by President Laura Munro at 6:33 p.m. via Zoom. Present at the Zoom meeting were Laura Munro, Dail Koehler, Mary Vinciguerra, Gail Pinnell, Kate Jackson, and Patty Lowther.

Motion made by Mary Vinciguerra and seconded by Kate Jackson to approve the minutes of the 8/11/25 meeting. Motion passed.

President's Report- Laura Munro stated that the purpose of the meeting is to discuss venues for the National Specialty after reports are given.

Corresponding Secretary's Report - Kate Jackson reported the following correspondence that took place from 8/12 to 9/8/25:

Incoming:

- 8/13 from AKC: *Event Fee Adjustment – Effective January 1, 2026*; shared with members 8/13
- 8/13 from the GDCA: *2025 National - August 13, 2025 Update!*; shared with members 8/13
- 8/21 from the GDCA: GDCA 3Q2025 Bulletin; shared with members 8/21
- 9/2 from the GDCA: First Ballot Results for 2027 National; share with members 9/3
- 9/2 from the AKC: Event Application & Judge Panel Notices for Thursday, 4/23 events

Outgoing:

- 8/16 via USPS: MBGDC's Completed First Ballot for 2027 National Judges; 9 members voted. Ballot was submitted as follows:
 - Futurity: Terri Burley Hammond, Cindy Harwin
 - Conformation: Nichole Bartlett, Laura Munro, Fernando Arce, Jason Hoke

Treasurer's Report - Dail Koehler reported that she sent out the current Treasurer's Reports via email prior to this meeting.

2026 Specialty Report - Laura reported that she purchased additional toys and that the trophy items are currently being made. We still need a raffle chairperson.

Old Business - the club trailer contains very few items. The items that are needed for our specialties are currently being stored at Laura's.

New Business - Information from the recent GDCA meeting was emailed to members (from Dail) in preparation for a discussion about venues for the 2027 National Specialty. A question was raised about why the Western Division is unable to find a venue IN the Western Division. Dail reported that it was reported at the GDCA meeting that cost and weather prevented any venues to be considered in California, Oregon and Washington. Additionally, the Arizona site used in the past does not allow RV parking any more. It was stated that for 2027, there are only the two venues being considered - Norman, Oklahoma and Wichita, Texas.

Questions about the two proposed venues were collected by Dail and will be emailed to the GDCA. Once questions are answered, the responses will be sent to club members and a vote will be taken via email.

The date for the next meeting will be November 10, 2025 via Zoom at 6:30 p.m. - at that meeting a 2026 Nominating Committee will be formed.

A Holiday Meeting/Gathering will be investigated to be held at either a restaurant or a member's home, or possibly during the 11/21-23 weekend at the Woodland Dog Show.

Meeting adjourned at 7:39 p.m.