

**GREYHOUND PETS OF AMERICA – CENTRAL TEXAS**  
**Chapter Board Meeting**  
**March 15, 2005**

President Glen Bridge called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm in Mangia's Pizza meeting room in Austin, Texas. Board Members present were Lana Henley, Tim Define, Jennifer Define, Donna Seago, Pam Cook, Sally McIntosh, Bobbie Wier, Mike Waldon, and Bob Trapp. Barbara Clark was absent. Cindy Shirkey and Holly Waldon were guests.

Sally McIntosh presented the Placement Team report (a copy of which is attached to the hard copy of these minutes).

Lana had received an email attachment of the current financial report, so in Barbara's absence, Lana read the totals to the Board.

Bobbie reported that she had called Kennel Pak and had gotten GPA-CT's insurance policy renewed for the period (April, 2005-March, 2006) at an annual premium of \$1,000.

Registration for Lee Livingood's April 30 conference is slow. Another email and newsletter announcement will appear before April 30. The Sunday event's location is TBA, and board members are urged to attend. Scholarships are available.

Upcoming Events:

- a. Lorena Spring Meet, April 19 – GPA's booth took in \$320 minus expenses last Saturday.
- b. TGA Annual Meeting – April 18 in Lorena. No GPA-CT board members will attend.
- c. Mighty Texas Dog Walk – April 2 – no chapter participation
- d. Wells Branch MUD Dog Days, April 17 – no chapter participation
- e. Greyhound Planet Day – September 17 – Bobbie will check on Zilker Park
- f. Hill's Café – plans still pending
- g. Jamboree – there was discussion of a "mini" event
- h. DHS Health Fair – April 13 – chapter will participate

Glen thanked Cindy Shirkey who volunteered to be the Events Coordinator. Sally made the motion and Donna seconded that the appointment of this new board position be delayed until after April, 2005. The motion passed.

Elections to the board will be held in April. Email will notify and solicit those who might be interested in running for the two positions held by Pam Cook and Mike Waldon who are completing terms of those who resigned. Included in the election will be a vote to change the regular membership meetings from monthly to quarterly.

The Pet Blood Bank and Mark Ziller continued to be topics of concern and discussion by the board. A trip to visit the facility is being planned for April. Glen will call Mr. Ziller to take him up on his offer to visit.

The topic of injury to an owner's dog by a foster dog was brought up for discussion. Bobbie will survey other GPA groups to learn of their procedure; therefore, the topic was tabled.

GPA will have a booth at upcoming Triple Crown events, and volunteers are needed to assist Bobbie with sales. Dates will be emailed to the list requesting volunteers.

The new brochures are available. Some will be mailed to TGA. Glen has the entire supply. A re-order may be required.

Tim & Sally are still finalizing the content of the magnets containing contact numbers.

The Lenox Greyhounds raffle began March 12 with tickets selling for \$3 each. The cost of the statues was about \$60. The raffle will be announced on our website.

The monthly newsletter will be sent to TGA electronically. Donna will do this. There's no need for printing of extra copies each month.

Jennifer reported that the online store will be ready by May 1. There was discussion as to whether the TGA banner should be put on our website and whether or not that would promote racing. The decision was not to include it on our website. Mike, Sally & Donna will strive to keep the "Available Dogs" current with pictures and bios.

Incorporation – Glen is working on this.

It was decided to have a quarterly planning meeting on April 3 at 2:00 pm. Location TBA. Everyone is encouraged to come prepared to discuss the April-June and the July-September quarters.

The following topics were tabled because of lack of time for proper discussion: The Buddy System, the updating of forms, advertising, rescue/recovery kits, and a Jamboree "How To" book.

The next board meeting will be April 19<sup>th</sup>. Location TBA. Sally made the motion and Bob seconded that the meeting be adjourned at 9:05 p.m. The motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,  
Lana Henley  
Executive Secretary