

General Meeting

March 18th, 2026

Attendance: Christa Thompson, Debbie Berry, Jeanie Schuldt, Rachel Read, Dawn Clausen, Tammy Pengelly, Alice Brown, Kelli McCulloch, Jim Highley, Bridgett Highley, Robin Murphy, Lorene Jones, Susan Maloch, Karen Millikan. Guest: Elaina Jones*

Call to Order: 7:00 PM

President's Report

- N/A

Vice-President's Report

- Debbie has not had internet access, but is prioritizing the awards. She is going to mail the awards applicants to Christa, and the Judges' list to Robin, and will print the 2026 membership list to bring to the banquet.

Secretary's Report

- Minutes
 - Rachel read the minutes from the General Meeting in February. There were some corrections.
 - Rachel mentioned that there were some amendments needed to be made in the January minutes as well.
 - Tammy motioned to accept the minutes as amended. Jim seconded.
- Correspondence
 - Rachel received an email from Sharon Shilkoff with the GRCA regarding whether the club wants to sponsor a banner for the National.
 - It was decided that the club is NOT going to sponsor a banner, but rather we can offer a catalog ad or a donation.

Treasurer's Report

- General Account: \$16,384.94
 - Income: \$32 from membership dues and brags, \$1,832.52 transferred from PayPal, misc interest.
 - Expenses: \$23 to InMotion Hosting for the website.
- Specialty Account: \$10,057.42
 - Income: \$120 for trophy sponsorships.
- Clarified that the reimbursements for raffle expenses come out of the Specialty account.
- Alice brought up opening a CD for the Specialty account. We will discuss this after the Specialty.
- Rachel motioned to accept the Treasurer's Report, Kelli seconded.

Old Business

- CCA Committee (Rachel/Debbie/Bridgett)
 - Christa had a conversation with Karen Burgess about the CCA, Karen is happy to hire a judge of our choosing to use for the CCA and she will use them for the rest of the weekend, at no charge to us. We will table this for after the specialty.
- Breeder's Education (Debbie)
 - Debbie recapped the most recent breeder's ed meeting, where we discussed Stud Dog agreements, and Debbie provided handouts about Gastropexies and Pigmentary Uveitus.
- Puppy Referral (Susan)
 - Someone called asking about OC Golden, other than that nothing.
- Member/Public Education (Dawn)
 - Dawn is bringing some of our education materials and will set up a booth at the Specialty.
- Website (Rachel)
 - In the last 30 days there have been 413 site sessions, 288 visitors, peak traffic was on March 5th with 32 visits.
- Facebook Group (Christa/Kelli)
 - No updates.
 - Debbie mentioned that she often directs people to the GRCA in the Golden Retriever Facebook groups.
- Facebook Page (Lorene)
 - 4888 views, 135 engagements, 1 new follower.
- Hospitality (Tammy/Jeanie)
 - Needs to provide a head count for the awards banquet. We estimated about 15-20 but Tammy will post on the Facebook group for final counts later on.
- Awards (Debbie)
 - Discussed memory plaques.

2026 Specialty

- Show Chair (Robin)
 - We only have 12 entries in obedience and rally combined, so what time should we start? It was decided that Obedience will begin at 9:00 AM, Sweeps at 11:00 AM has an entry of 17, with 1 Junior entry to follow. Regular classes will begin at 1:00 PM, with an entry of 63.
 - We will do the American and Canadian National Anthems at about 8:55 AM. Karen will bring speakers.
 - The Bagpiper will play at 12:30 for 15 minutes or so, and will be available in case people want to take a photo with him.
 - Robin is going to request that Golden show at 8:00 am on the Saturday of the show.
- Sweeps (Debbie)
 - No updates

- Hospitality (Tammy/Jeanie)
 - Needs to provide a headcount to Jackapetti's. There need to be two salads.
 - Robin is going to ask the Obedience stewards if they want lunch if they finish early.
 - Regarding the breakfast buffet - Christa is bringing biscuits & gravy and utensils to go with, Tammy has rented the coffee pots and is bringing an extension cord. Jeanie is bringing trail mix and nuts. Robin will bring a 3 tiered cupcake display for snacks.
- Decorations (Rachel)
 - Purchased red curtains ahead of time as part of the decorations, needs one more set. Robin made a motion to grant a \$150 budget for decorations. Tammy seconded.
- Raffle (Alice/Kelli)
 - We have two cashboxes for the regular and 50/50 raffles, Kelli is going to lend us a third.
 - They will also be selling catalogs. It was agreed that catalogs will be sold for \$5 each. 25 or 35 are provided by Onofrio automatically, we do not need to request more. They will make a sign for Catalog sales, Tammy will provide a sign holder.
- Trophies & Ribbons (Christa)
 - No updates
- Judges (Debbie)
 - No updates.

New Business

- Nominating Committee (Bridgett/Kelli)
 - Bridgett and Tammy were both nominated from the floor.
 - Kelli will create the ballots and bring them to the banquet.

Robin motioned for the meeting to adjourn at 8:32 PM, Tammy seconded.

*Minutes amended on April 18th, 2026