



**PNKCA Representatives Meeting**  
**11:00 a.m. – 2:33 p.m., March 11, 2017, Spokane, Washington**  
**As Approved on August 5, 2017**

**1. Meeting called to Order**—Chairman Chris Charbonneau called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. Brief introductions were done of the Board and Past Chairs in attendance.

**2. Questions on Scholarship Process.** There were questions brought up on the scholarship grant process, including, where/when the checks get cut? Is there going to be a form? Is there a go-to person or committee for questions? Chris Charbonneau said this is more appropriate to discuss under the “new business” so it will be discussed later this day.

**3. Minutes of the June 25, 2016, Representatives meeting in Boise, ID —** Representatives were asked if they reviewed the minutes or had questions, there were none so vote was taken to approve the Minutes of the June 25, 2016, Representatives meeting and it was passed.

**4. PNKCA Treasurer’s Reports – Pat Christensen.** The PNKCA Treasurer’s Report for the 2016 Convention Financial Report showing the Net Income to be split with Boise was \$3,794.11, with no questions; the Year To Date Report from 1/1/16 to 12/31/16 was presented with no questions; the Report for 1/1/17 to 3/11/17 was presented with no questions. A motion was made to pass the above Reports was made and passed to accept them all as written.

The PNKCA Income vs. Expense Recap was presented. There is a projected yearly operating budget necessary for 2017-2018 of \$6,000. There were no questions. A motion was made to pass this Recap and passed to accept this Recap.

**5. PNKCA Convention 2016 Overview and wrap up —** Sue Boydston went over some of the highlights of the convention, including the unique “Core Gate” artwork and expressed pleasure at the way it turned out. Comments were made that it truly was beautiful. She said people attended and seemed to be pleased with the presentations on KHV update, how to pick quality fish, and the Taiko Drummers as entertainment. Representatives in attendance also expressed thanks for a fine convention.

**6. 2017 PNKCA Convention Up-Date –** Ted Baughman and Jennifer Trieberg (co-chair) went over the 2017 Convention plans. It will be hosted by the Washington Koi & Water Garden Society. It looks like it will be held North of Seattle (due to the prices in the greater Seattle area) at a newly remodeled Holiday Inn (Marriott) on August 4<sup>th</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup>. Having it in August means more reliable weather for the pond tour. The theme is “Koi – Completing the Pond Puzzle”. They have three speakers committed and are working on more. They might have other classes. Pan Intercorp will be hosting on Friday at their place of business. The pond tour will be on the North end of Puget Sound with great ponds. They have Karen Miller in charge of the silent auction and nonclub items. It is going to be a

fun convention. A reminder was made that each club should bring two auction items for the PNKCA.

Ted brought up a super raffle for KHV research. This will be discussed in new business.

**7. Bronze Koi Award** – Larry Christensen spoke about the Bronze Koi Award which is given to a hobbyist with 10 or more year's experience that went "over and above" in working with the club and organization. Nominations are due this year by June 1, 2017. They have 2 nominations so far. This is a nomination made by an individual, a hobbyist and not a professional dealing in koi. The individual must be a member of a club in good standing with the PNKCA. Larry reminded everyone that the nominees are kept for 2 years in a row. Lindsay Gibson is the co-chair. He encouraged all to make submissions so they have choices for the Award for recognition and more people for consideration of this Award. He reminded everyone that the list of past Award winners were on the website.

**8. 2017 ZNA Membership Drive** – Larry Christensen recognized the other clubs that are have ZNA friendship clubs and reminded that you could become a ZNA member through any of those clubs. Boise and Idaho are friendship clubs with 10 or more members. You need 25 members for a full membership. He spoke of the pins that were made for the ZNA America Koi Shows and how popular those pins are and raise funds. He then passed out applications for NWK&G club which are due now as they have to send the applications and money by March 22, 2017. He showed the magazines that come with membership (12 per year).

**9. Ed Fujimoto Award** – Chris Charbonneau reminded us that the Ed Fujimoto Award Nominations (winner is chosen by each individual club and sent to PNKCA via website so a certificate can be done) are due as soon as possible so the Awards can be made up in a timely fashion. The forms are on the website and encourage the winner to be present at the Convention so they can get their picture taken with the other winners. We have 3 nominations now but they are due by June 1, 2017. Please submit the nominations as soon as possible.

**10. PNKCA Koi of the Year Award** – Sue Boydston is now taking care of getting the submitted photos ready for the Convention. It is a way for clubs to get involved, even those that do not have koi shows. Sue wants full participation this year! She will need the pictures by June 1, 2017. Each club should turn in a good 8x10 inch photo of a koi that their club chose as a winner which cannot be photo-shopped. Each convention attendee gets to choose which photo of the koi they think is the "Koi of the Year" for the award. All were encouraged to submit a photo for their club to participate.

**11. Club Reports** - Club representatives were recognized and each club gave a short report on the status of their club. There were five clubs that did not have representatives this year, but two of those clubs sent in written reports to be read, Dai-ichi's & Siskiyou. Idaho reported that they helped with a collection of beautiful koi donated by an older couple to the Botanical Gardens with a contract to have their club koi show at that location for 5 years. Those that were there reported there were some increases in members, however many reported a decrease. Time, money, age seemed to be factors for the decrease. Clubs reminded the other clubs to join their koi shows. The Koi Show Poster was pointed out. More clubs are trying to get more educational information out to their members at the meetings. There are some grow outs going on in the PNKCA. Most clubs are active in community activities. It was brought out that the clubs should be more proactive in getting members by perhaps talking to realtors that know of homes with ponds, even perhaps offering a free membership for the first year.

**12. Future PNKCA Conventions** – The Northwest Koi & Goldfish Club has stepped up to volunteer to host the 2018 Convention. Chris Charbonneau encouraged the clubs to think

about hosting the 2018 Convention. Suggestions were made to go to Canada for the 2019 Convention as the Convention had not been there for many years. The Representatives were asked to check with their clubs regarding hosting a future Convention.

**13. Insurance Renewal** – The current Directors and Officers Liability Policy was voted on at the spring rep. meeting with an expected renewal rate of approximately \$800. A motion was called to renew and pay the 2017 Policy bill and renew when received up to \$850. If it was more to let the Board make the decision as to whether to renew or not. The motion was made to proceed as presented, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and was passed.

#### **Old Business:**

#### **14.**

**A. PNKCA Scholarships Update – Sue Boydston, Monte McQuade, John Seifert** – It was pointed out that it was a way to improve skills by having each available a \$100 grant to each club with a limit of 1 person per year per grant. The person would be reimbursed after completing the class either with K.O.I. or AKCA. It was discussed setting up a pilot for 2 years to see how it goes. A suggestion was to have only new members apply and those more advanced at a later time.

A discussion was had as to the aspects of it, who would keep track of who is taking the classes, requests for completion of the class, etc., with a discussion that responsibility would be up to the scholarship committee. It was brought out that this program was to encourage having koi health advisors in all clubs. That the person can begin the education as soon as they apply, proving to the club they completed their course and then the club apply to the PNKCA for the grant to reimburse the person. The education should be completed within 12 months as this is an annual grant. It was asked about a different person applying each month, but there would be 1 candidate per year per club. The education could start in 2017 with a 2<sup>nd</sup> person starting in 2018, but based on when they enrolled they would get the grant in 2018 or 2019, only one grant per year. It was suggested that the PNKCA budget \$2,600 for the 2 years. Each club would explain this program to the club members. The club would then apply for the grant after the completion. Most representatives felt we should try this program out for a couple of years and then see if issues come up.

Monte McQuade agreed to help with this program for the oversight with John Seifert also volunteering as the “Assistant Pilot Dude”. Ted explained the money aspect to the clubs very well. That this would be about a \$1,300 budget item for the PNKCA each year.

There needs to be policies and procedures written up, along with a flow chart.

An application needs to be done. There are still some questions. The application needs to be put online. What about some notice to the clubs about the process. We had some information already put in some clubs newsletters that could be sent to all clubs.

K.O.I. allows the final testing online, AKCA has a wet lab each year. The timing for the required graduation may have to be worked out for an individual student.

Students not producing in a few months that perhaps a new person could apply. Larry talked about the programs and monitoring progress. He said there is a 60/70% fallout but they get that person on the phone and talk to them.

The person getting into the program would have to use their own money for the education but would get the grant upon completion – reward at the end.

**B. PNKCA Super Raffle 2017 -** The donations were as follows:

Pan Intercorp – Jumbo Tosai Gosanke - Value \$1000  
MamaSon Koi (Jim Kitchen) – Medo Air Pump LA-80BN - Value \$300  
Sue Boydstun – Framed Silk Koi Picture – Value \$250  
PNKCA Gift Certificate towards 2018 PNKCA Convention – Value \$300

A reminder was made to point out that the PNKCA still had the 50/50 split option available. If a person won the item from the raffle that person had the option to have that item auctioned off with PNKCA receiving half the proceeds and the raffle winner also receiving half the proceeds. Everyone was reminded that they must put in order the item they wanted 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, to eliminate trying to reach the winner if they were not present.

**C. PNKCA Promotional Grants Awarded for 2017** – five grant applications were received in a timely manner this year. The clubs awarded grants for 2017 are:

1. Northwest Koi and Goldfish Club
2. Oregon Koi & Watergarden Club
3. Washington Koi and Water Garden Society
4. Idaho Water Garden & Koi Society
5. Inland Empire Water Garden & Koi Society
6. None

**There were no alternates as there were only 5 grant requests received**

The clubs were reminded that the pictures and reports must reach the webmaster **before December 1, 2017**, to receive their grant money.

**New Business:**

**A. PNKCA Library – Diana Lynn Rehn and Sue Boydstun** – Discussions were had regarding having a library on line of different presentations and power points that the clubs could access on line. IEWGKS recently had a presentation done remotely and the WA club mentioned Zak's presentation. By having an online library the clubs would have access to more speakers and presentations. We now have the technology. It was mentioned copyright laws but with the speakers permission there would be no issue, especially if that speaker is tied in remotely to present the PowerPoint. A recording being sent out later might be an issue so it would be necessary to get written permission to send out. These options would only be available to the PNKCA clubs and accessed on a sign in and password protected page on the website.

**B. PNKCA Tategoi Award – Pat Christensen.** A proposal was made to have individual awards made rather than trying to pass out the one traveling award, which seems to disappear and hard to get back. There are 4 clubs that have shows and the judge gives out this special award. It was proposed we spend \$35 to \$50 for each award. Daren Beck was mentioned as doing awards which may be within the price range. It was moved and passed that we invest in awards to be passed out to the koi shows to start in 2017.

- C. Election of Board for 2018/2019 – Chris Charbonneau.** After a discussion of needing new officers, and if there were any more nominations from the floor, the slate of officers were introduced as follows:

Chairman: Monte McQuade  
Vice Chairman: Sue Boydston  
Secretary: Diana Lynn Rehn  
Treasurer: Pat Christensen

A vote was made with all in attendance voting for the slate of officers as listed. All voted in favor. The election will be held at the PNKCA Convention Rep. meeting in August.

- D. Proposed by WK&WGS: Part of Proceeds of Super Raffle for KHV.** - A lengthy discussion was had regarding part of the proceeds of the Super Raffle being designated for KHV research as a starting conversation. Pat mentioned we agreed to do a \$2,000 donation at the last convention and why part of the Super Raffle which is designated for the PNKCA. The PNKCA dollars are used for everyone and it is not like the PNKCA is just sitting on dollars. Questions came up as to where is the KHV research and what are they doing? Good information was brought out of how KHV can be localized in white cells and the work is valuable as to how widespread and if it is latent, how were the koi exposed. A focus is how to make KHV less virulent and less deadly. Research is being done as to figuring out where KHV sits in the pond when there is no outbreak or if it does. It has been found that KHV is found in koi not known to be exposed. Questions were had as to who is working on KHV, just Oregon State University and if others, how many. Dr. Jin Lin (sp?) is working on KHV research paid by the University to keep costs down. She has isolated KHV to a specific blood cell. It was brought out the issues of some states stopping the importing of Koi or the possibility and the more information we have about KHV the better. Helping the government people understand the nature of KHV is important. Australia's issues on people dumping into the wild waters and not importing was brought out. It was asked about the AKCA donating and where that stood. AKCA years ago committed to donating but the dollars brought in by KOI USA were down due to advertising down. They had an obligation of \$80k but were now asking the clubs to help meet that obligation to continue that program. They had slates donated that when auctioned off to be designated for KHV research. It was brought out there has not been any information for the last 2 years from AKCA. It was brought out that we have Tim Miller Morgan in our own backyards that we try to support.

The clubs were for donating to OSU as shown by the \$2,000 donated to it. But most were against any dollars from the Super Raffle going towards KHV research. It was discussed bringing up the possibility of donating to KHV research at the PNKCA convention and whether it should be a one-time donation or annual.

The issue of where and what the PNKCA dollars were for was discussed and how it is not responsible to donate part of the Super Raffle dollars as we don't know how much it brings or will bring in each year. Most were not opposed to donate but opposed to using any of the Super Raffle proceeds to donate from.

It was then brought to a Motion that it was historical and important to keep all dollars from the Super Raffle directed to the PNKCA treasury. The Motion made, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and passed.

Chris summarized the above and suggested the idea of donating this year to KHV research was to be taken back to the clubs to discuss with their members and if a consensus was had, to bring it up at the PNKCA Convention Rep. meeting. The

PNKCA generally has supported KHV research and specific requests such as this depending on the budget.

Chris asked if there was any other business. There was none.

**Adjourn**— Chris Charbonneau adjourned the meeting at 2:33 p.m.

**The Rep Attendees for this meeting included:**

**PNKCA Board**

Chris Charbonneau  
Sue Boydstun  
Pat Christensen  
Diana Lynn Rehn

**Cascade Koi & Goldfish Club**

None attended

**Canada Koi Club**

No one attended – but written report given

**Dai-ichi**

No one attended – but written report given

**Idaho Water Garden and Koi Society**

Paul Jackson

**Inland Empire Water Garden & Koi Society**

Linda Seifert  
Frank E. Rehn, Jr.

**North Idaho Koi Keepers**

Dan Olsen  
Gene Anderson

**Mid-Columbia Koi & Pond Club**

No one attended.

**Northwest Koi & Goldfish Club**

Bill Layman

**Olympic Koi Goldfish & Watergarden Club**

No one attended

**Oregon Koi & Watergarden Society**

Larry Christensen  
Pat Christensen

**Puget Sound Koi Club**

Monte McQuade

**Siskiyou Pond Club**

Larry Christensen will represent and has proxy

**Washington Koi & Water Garden Society**

Ted Baughman  
Jennifer Trieberg

**Past Officers**

Larry Christensen  
John Seifert  
Gene M. Anderson

Respectfully Submitted: Diana Lynn Rehn, Secretary