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## Board of Directors *Meeting Minutes*

July 12, 2024

Attendees: Veronica, Brad, Linden, Heather, Katie, and Karin

This regular meeting was called by verbal agreement during the prior meeting, or by intermediate written reasonable notification made in good faith and agreed to by a majority of board members through email or phone, and was held through videoconferencing.

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### **Agenda**

- Next regular meeting
- Site additions
- Air travel
- Logo gear
- Raffle
- Peer convention

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### • **Next regular meeting**

Friday, September 6<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 PT/3:00 CT/4:00 ET.

Board social: August 2<sup>nd</sup> at 1:00 PT/3:00 CT/4:00 ET.

Elaine Malkin is now on our Board of Advisors.

<https://www.psychdogpartners.org/board-of-directors/board-members>

### • **Site additions**

Veronica wrote an article about when to retire/wash a dog and it's in the editing phase.

Veronica's other ideas for articles include: prospect vs SDIT vs SD article (approved to polish up). She polished this up and it will enter the editing phase shortly.

### • **Air travel**

DOT is renewing their OMB status on the service animal flying form (required for it to have legal effect), and they've slightly updated the form to clarify that owner-training is fine. We submitted a comment:

<https://www.psychdogpartners.org/board-of-directors/board-activities/advocacy>

The form is in the final stage of the OMB approval process, along with its new companion instruction document. *There's no word yet from DOT on this.*

DOT plans to handle more substantive issues in the future, partly through their ACAAs advisory committee. We'll have to ensure we have their ear before they draft an NPRM in this arena.

- **Logo gear**

We evaluated our options for suppliers of gear with PSDP logos. For our size organization and volunteer base, it looks for now like no solution is going to be worth the time, effort, and money that would be required. We still have patches available, but will put our search for a purveyor of other logo gear on hold indefinitely.

- **Raffle**

Our trial of an online raffle is underway and almost at an end! June 1<sup>st</sup>–July 17<sup>th</sup> is when we are selling tickets (\$5 for 1 or \$20 for 5). The drawings/notifications will start on July 18<sup>th</sup> on a first-win, first-pick basis, and continue from there. Thank you so much to our donors and ticket-buyers!

We were able to open sales up to international community members who're willing to pay for shipping, as long as the item donor agrees to the arrangement.

- **Peer convention**

Our 2024 peer convention was at the Hilton Garden Inn in Rock Hill, South Carolina, April 26–29. The pictures are up!

<https://www.psychdogpartners.org/resources/convention/2024-convention/2024-convention-pictures>

The 2025 peer convention planning committee has started meeting to plan next year's convention, for May 3<sup>rd</sup>–5<sup>th</sup> at the Courtyard by Marriott in Long Beach, California.

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