



Board Meeting MINUTES

May 14, 2026 - 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 a.m.

Mission Statement:

The International Association of Canine Professionals advances and protects the dog training profession through education, professional development, and legislative advocacy that safeguards fair and ethical trainers who believe in the freedom to choose tools and methods.

Agenda Item	Lead	Time	Status
Roll call: Chair - Jason Purgason, President Officers - Marlene Ruiz, Vice President - Rachelle Yates, Secretary - Laurie McIntosh, Treasurer Board Members - Antonio Diaz - Matt Covey - Magdalena Szymanska Staff - Jess Okon	Chair	2 Min	QUORUM – Y Antonio absent Antonio joined at 10:05am Procedural Guidance: - Robert's Rules - Contemporary - Professionalism - Consideration of Others - Time on Task - Relevant input
Agenda			
Presentation of Agenda	Chair	1 min	1. Motion to approve the agenda and agenda items Jason makes a motion "I move to approve to agenda and the agenda items as presented Marlene seconds No discussion or opposition MOTION PASSES
Meeting Minutes			
Presentation of Minutes April 9, 2026 Meeting	Chair	5 min	1. Motion to approve minutes as submitted Jason makes a motion "I move to approve the minutes from our April 9th 2026 meeting as submitted by the secretary." Laurie seconds No discussion or opposition

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Treasurers Report			
Treasurers Report	Laurie	5 min	1. Treasurer's Report: Steady growth due to renewals recent memberships, payment for Newport Beach upcoming
Discussion			
President Report	Jason Jason	20 min	Old Business - Bylaws Update: Sending out after meeting to the board for final view, discussed using a comparison tool to track changes clearly - Trade Show & Conference Attendance: Discussion on different opportunities for IACP in 2026-2027 and budgeting for those events, Board approved participation in Pet Boarding and Daycare Expo, Superzoo and HITS, discussing others events New Business - Recruiting Board Members to Fill Vacancies: 2 board appointed seats available, 2 member elect seats open, board to use professional network to recruit prospective board candidates - Additional E-collar Webinars (Marlene): Attendance and engagement has been successful, discussed setting up additional e-collar webinars along with training technique webinar series with a variety of trainers - Ethics Complaint 2026-001: Jason makes a motion "I move to have Marlene and Magdalena recuse themselves from any vote regarding Ethics complaint 2026-001. I further move to have any discussion regarding that Ethics complaint, as well as any votes regarding that ethics complaint, be held in open session not in Executive session as it normally would." Antonio seconds No discussion of opposition All in favor MOTION PASSES - Social Media Clarity (Antonio): Upcoming videos posted will be focused on driving excitement for upcoming conference
European Committee	Mag	5 min	1. 2026 Euro Conference Update: Updates discussed regarding speaker changes, continuing outreach and marketing efforts to achieve attendance goals of 40 people

Therapy Dog Committee	Jason	5 min	1. Committee Update: In need of DO for Therapy Dog Committee
Certification Committee	Jason	5 min	1. Certification Update: In need of DO for Certification Committee
Education Committee	Antonio	15 min	1. E-Collar Course Update: On track for deadline with early June 2. E-Collar Assessment: Same as above 3. Hosting Website for Courses: Discussion about hosting websites Gohighlevel and Wix, will wait until after conference to decide 4. Member Content Creation: Looking to get member involvement on the kind of content and assessments our members want
2027 Conference	Marlene	10 min	1. Speaker Discussion: Discussion to finalize speaker selections for the 2027 conference Another speaker agreed to fill a spot for 2026
2026 Conference	Marlene Rachelle	5 min	1. Conference Update/Ticket Sales: Registration momentum remains strong for conference and pre-con 2. Raffle Discussion: Discussed a centralized location for receiving and storing raffle items prior to conference, Jason and Jess both offered their locations Spreadsheet that explains each award for board to make final votes: IACP Hall of fame, International Hall of fame, Member of the year, Ambassadors Membership votes on Member Hall of fame
Email motions			1. Jason made a motion via email on 4/24/26 "I move to rescind the motion previously made on May 8, 2025 to eliminate our Zoom account entirely." Lora seconds All in favor No discussion or opposition MOTION PASSES 2. Jason makes a motion via email on 4/27/26 "I move to nominate Marlene Ruiz to the position of Vice President." Mag seconds Lora abstains with discussion Jason rescinds his motion via email on 4/27/26 "I rescind my previous motion and will place this item on the agenda for our next in person meeting." MOTION DOES NOT PASS 3. Matt makes a motion via email on 5/1/26 "I move to nominate Marlene Ruiz to the position of Vice President."

			Mag seconds All in favor No discussion or opposition MOTION PASSES
ADJOURN			Jason adjourns the meeting "I will adjourn our meeting at 11:10am Central."

Respectfully Submitted by Rachelle Yates June 8, 2026

Approved by the Board of Directors June 11, 2026

