

GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG CLUB OF MINNEAPOLIS AND ST. PAUL

Membership Meeting Minutes

Nov. 14, 2014

Animal Inn, Lake Elmo MN



Officers present:

Julie Swinland, President

Cristina McColl, Vice President

Sarah Falk, Secretary

Liz Lunde, Treasurer

Officers absent:

None.

Board Members present:

Ann Jeddeloh (three years remaining)

Lisa Lunde (one year remaining)

Denise Gilbertson (two years remaining)

Board Members absent:

None.

Julie Swinland called the meeting to order at 8:35 p.m.

Minutes are approved as disseminated.

President's Report (Julie Swinland):

- Julie Swinland reported we need to have a nominating committee for officer and board positions for 2015.
 - Carol Ouhl volunteered to head up the committee, Ann Jeddeloh will assist.
- Nominations for the Club's Don Cliff Award, send to Julie Swinland. Verna recommended that we forward the rules and the honorary membership out to the membership.

Vice President's Report:

- Cristina has been making updates to the website.

Secretary's Report (Sarah Falk):

- Sarah Falk reported she has been working on some edits to the Standing Rules; with respect to the Don Cliff Award and the Training program changes. Verna moved that the membership approve the content changes to the Standing Rules as reviewed by the Board. Denise seconded. Motion carried.

- Sarah Falk thanked Cristina for the work on the website as it makes addressing training call inquiries much easier.

Treasurer's Report (Liz Lunde):

Liz reported \$14,620.52 in checking; \$10,743.83 in money market account.

Renewals are pouring in, they are due tomorrow. Liz will reach out to those that they have not been received.

Committee Reports

Membership report

- Linda Salava, absent.

Budget and Finance Committee (Mike Metz)

- Mike Metz reviewed the 2015 show and created a budget with three recommendations:
 - Project that the event provide \$3,000 positive cash flow with \$21k in expense and \$24k in entries (based on reasonably conservative estimates).
 - One change proposed:
 - Entry fees:
 - \$26.50 is the standard entry fee for conformation and obedience. \$28 is the average rate based on research. Recommend the entry fees are raised to \$28 to match.
 - Recommend increase second entries and non-regular (Juniors, Puppies and Veterans) to \$18 which is a \$10 discount as well as non-regular classes (Brace and Team)
 - Advertising:
 - Current show budget includes \$300 for Review ad; however don't think it's necessary. Recommend a \$75 ad in the Futurity catalog.
 - Verna moved the membership approve the 2015 Specialty Show budget as presented by Mike Metz. Cristina McColl seconded. Motion passed.
- Mike requests that Rhonda provide a budget for the spring agility trial. Julie will reach out Rhonda.

Specialty Show 2015

- Regarding 4-6 month Beginner Puppy competitions: Mike Metz moved that we not offer it this year based on the length that it would add to the day. Sarah Falk seconded. Motion carried.
- Verna Kubik recommends that we split the 12-18 month classes into a 12-15 month class and a 15-18 month class for both dogs and bitches. Mike Metz moved Verna's recommendation be accepted. Lisa Lunde seconded. Motioned carried.
- Mike Metz moved that we change the standard to \$28 for regular classes and \$18 for non-regular classes. Denise Gilbertson seconded. Motioned carried.

- Hospitality – Linda Salava is heading up hospitality. The membership discussed options. Verna reported that the host hotel and hospitality plan is due to the GSDCA by the end of December. The budget is \$1,000 currently. Recommend: Thursday night: Pizza party for workers; Friday evening: Sell tickets to catered on site dinner with a guest speaker; Saturday evening: Club-hosted dinner. Ginny Altman moved to postpone the further discussion until December; Denise seconded. Motion carried.

Website

- Cristina McColl has been updating the website. Please send any suggestions to her.

Match

- Match is Nov. 21 at the Animal Inn.
- Laurie Schray will be doing the food, pot luck; requested \$100 for funds. Mike moved the membership approve the fund request; Denise Gilbertson seconded. Motion carried.
- Pam moved that the Spring match be a fun match for obedience and the match be a sanctioned match, Jinny Bailey seconded. Motioned carried.

Meeting Adjourned.

Next Meeting Dec. 12, 2014, 8:30 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Sarah Falk, Secretary

Attendees:

Julie Swinland

Ann Jeddeloh

Sarah Falk

Lisa Lunde

Liz Lunde

Denise Gilbertson

Cristina McColl

Elaine Matthys

Virginia Bailey

Verna Kubik

Ginny Altman

Carol Ouhl

Michael Metz

Laurie Schray

Peggy Simerson

Craig Carson