

GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG CLUB OF MINNEAPOLIS AND ST. PAUL

Membership Meeting Minutes

June 12, 2015; 7:38 p.m.

Animal Inn in Lake Elmo, MN



Officer Attendees:

Peggy Simerson (President)

Sarah Falk (Secretary)

Officers Absent:

Eileen Varhalla (Vice President)

Diane Blasius-Brown (Treasurer)

Board Members:

Ann Jeddelloh

Board Members Absent:

Denise Gilbertson

Rhonda Meath

Peggy called the meeting to order at 8:38 p.m. Sarah Falk moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes and approved as dispensed; Bo Vujovich seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Verna Kubik moved to dispense with the regular order of the agenda; Bo Vujovich seconded. Motion carried.

- Sarah Falk moved that we move the July meeting date and the start of the next block of Beginner' Obedience and Puppy training classes to July 17; Sharon Todoroff seconded. Motion carried.
- GSD Fun Day July 25: Temperament Test – It will cost around \$550 for evaluator's (Gene Gray) hotel and airfare; we have around 28 tentative sign-ups and we have a max of 30 tests. Pre-entry fees are \$30; day of entry fees are \$35 per dog. Verna moved that the membership approve a \$600 budget to host a Temperament Test on July 25, Sarah Falk seconds. Motion carries. Verna Kubik is coordinating the Temperament Test at the Fun Day.

President's Report (Peggy Simerson):

- Thank you to Verna and Cristina and everyone involved on all the hard work; very large entry; but with that comes larger expenses.
- Prepping for GSD Fun Day July 25, preliminarily have a TDI and CGC test; Ron Halling will do a behavioral presentation, will have agility, still securing vendors.

Vice President's Report (Eileen Varhalla):

- Absent

Secretary's Report (Sarah Falk):

- Public Communication: 15 contacts since our last meeting, 42% are training-related. Facebook likes are up 17 likes, double the normal trend and our reach is increasing. The posts that do best are the ones that are not club-specific but are in general about GSDs.

Treasurer's Report (Diane Blasius-Brown):

- Peggy Simerson read a brief report in Diane's absence (via email from Diane) \$15,297.59 beginning checking balance, \$11,221.84 ending balance.

Committee Reports:**2015 Specialty Show and Futurity/Maturity (Verna Kubik)**

- Will do a 50/50 raffle all three days; raffle items will be announced at noon on Sunday during lunch.
- Need to make sure there are bathrooms and a storm shelter. The bathroom we usually use is not currently in use.
- Per Laurie Schray and Ann Jeddelloh, Food Chairs: Need lots of donations, one-and-a-half times as much as last year. Food safety is critical – bring ice!
- Verna Kubik recommends that someone is at the breed ring selling beverages as well as dinner tickets down by the breed ring.
- Kelly Foehl will get a kiddie pool.

Membership (Cindy Muehlbauer)

- Updated Membership Directory is now available (sent via email for members to print); a few corrections have been sent via email. Any additional updates should be sent directly to Cindy Muehlbauer.
- No new members.

Shep-O-Gram (Susan Smith)

- June-July is our first issue using the new format. The next issue will cover August-September.

Budget and Finance (Mike Metz and Diane Blasius Brown)

- Need to schedule a meeting after the June Shows.

Agility Trial (Rhonda Meath)

- Rhonda Meath is absent, note we have an upcoming trial July 17-18 and the September 4-5 event is now approved by AKC.

GSD Fun Day Saturday, July 25th:

- Activities being finalized and tentative schedule will be shared out to the Membership by end of June.
- Activities include:
 - GSDCA Temperament Test
 - CGC/TDI additional activities/vendor information from Sarah Falk and Peggy Simerson.
 - Schedule to be finalized and posted at the end of June

Training Director (Verna Kubik)

- No Training at Animal Inn June 27th- July 12 due to renovations

Ginny Altman moved to adjourn the meeting; Kelly Foehl seconded. Meeting adjourned at 9:20.

Attendees:

Verna Kubik

Virginia Bailey

Myra Shear

Peggy Simerson

Monika Frenedt

Mary Lee

Sharon Todoroff

Mary McNichols –Erdes (member applicant)

Ginny Altman

Laurie Schray

Carol Ouhl

Ann Jeddloh

Bo Vujovich

Kelly Foehl