

GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG CLUB OF MINNEAPOLIS AND ST. PAUL

Membership Meeting Minutes

July 15, 2016; 8:45 p.m.

Animal Inn, Lake Elmo, MN

Officers present:

Peggy Simerson, President

Eileen Varhalla, Vice President

Sarah Falk, Secretary

Diane Blasius-Brown, Treasurer

Officers absent

Board Members present:

Ann Jeddelloh

Board Members absent:

Denise Gilbertson

Rhonda Meath



Peggy Simerson called the Membership Meeting to order at 8:48 p.m.

Sarah moved to approve the Minutes as disseminated via email. Peggy seconded. Motion carried.

President's Report (Peggy Simerson):

- Membership – please welcome the following:
 - Kristin Evenson
 - Christen and David Everson
 - Christine MacKillop
 - Joseph and Wendy Wegleitner
 - Charlene and Charles Loding
 - Bobby Smith
 - Kraig Rankl
- Specialty Show: Recap is coming, thank you to everyone!!
- Raffle donation for Paul Upton, we collected an additional \$348 which has been sent, and special thank you to Kathy DuVall who donated her half of Sunday's raffle to Paul (\$141), bringing the total to \$348.
- C&B and SR will be meeting on July 30 at a 6 p.m. at a location in Roseville.
- GSD Benching at the Fair Aug. 25 – Sept. 5 (10 of 12 days)
 - Bobby and Peggy will be coordinating to fill slots – dogs must be purebred and people on the bench must be a member, wear the GSD club shirt
 - Requirements:
 - Members of the Club that are also members of MnPBDA can pick their day but sit in our bench.
 - Will check on minimum age, but a requirement is they need to have full shots schedule
 - Need firm commitments –need to cover from 7:30 a.m. - 8 p.m.
 - Can pair up with other people, break into am and pm bench, people benching are representing the breed, the Club, and themselves. The rescue organizations can participate but they have to represent themselves as a member of the club whose dog is a rescue, but because they cannot put up their information unless they join the Mn Purebred Dog Assn. If they join now, they could join to bench next year– they can at the demo day (see below)
- Discussed the GSDCA Herding Victrix and Victor trophy that we have sponsored the last few years. Sarah moved we approve \$300 to donate to the GSDCA Eileen seconded the motion.
- Regional Club challenge – send your title to Pam via email – for titles earned from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2015
- Farm Dog Certification, we could rent the Animal Inn for \$125 and it would be outdoors, Pam would supply the farm animals. Laurie Schray makes a motion that we investigate to have in spring of 2017. Stuart seconded the motion. Julie

proposed that we reinvestigate for a vote in August for fall and from now until then get more information gathered, the membership agreed to look more.

Vice President's Report (Eileen Varhalla)

- No report

Secretary's Report (Sarah Falk):

- Sent Thank You cards via mail to volunteers for the Specialty Show.
- Received three pieces of correspondence:
 - Thank You card from Joan Fox for our donation to Upton's Dogs.
 - Monticello Pet Hospital announced they now offer Reproductive Services, and are offering a deal through Aug. 31. Call them for details.
 - Premium from GSDC of Wisconsin, Aug. 20-21 all breed agility trial in New Berlin, entries are due Aug. 3.

Treasurer's Report (Diane Blasius Brown):

- Diane presented the funds: Checking \$27,472.22 and Savings \$10,862.60. Combined \$38,334.82.
- Trophy donations - pledges will pay up with Membership, dues to be sent on Sept. 1.

Volunteer Activity Survey

- Coming soon, Holly Bryan to assist with a survey to asks, need to build up the desk team and just gather information on what our members would like to volunteer for.

Shep-o-Gram

- May June is out, July and August is in progress.

Budget and Finance Committee

- Will reconvene after the show weekend results are in.

Herding Trial (Julie Swinland)

- AKC lost one of our applications, Premium should go out hopefully by next week.

Website

- Calendar is updated

Raffle

- Total raised from fundraising for \$994, \$853 from the raffle alone! Thank you Mary Lee!!

Eileen moved to adjourn the meeting, Diane seconded.

Meeting adjourned at 9:49 p.m. Minutes submitted by Sarah Falk, Secretary.

Attendees:

Eileen Varhalla

Laurie Schray

Ann Jeddeloh

Peggy Simerson

Sarah Falk

Julie Swinland

Diane Blasius- Brown

David Mielke

Kristine Lower

Carla Smith

Stuart Siebell