

TENNESSEE VALLEY KENNEL CLUB
Bi-Annual Board of Directors Meeting
January 4, 2012

President Walter Sommerfelt called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m., EST. The meeting was held at the home of Carol and Walter Sommerfelt.

Present: President Walter Sommerfelt, Vice President Paula Smiddy, Recording Secretary Maryellen Kasten, Corresponding Secretary Beth White, Treasurer Jean Dinkins, and AKC Delegate Catherine Bell. Board members - Keith Bailey, Robin Brown, Pat Hodges, Barbara Price. Absent: Pam Stanner.

Minutes: On a motion by Catherine Bell, seconded by Jean Dinkins to approve November minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

Cluster Committee Report: The cluster would like to see more members volunteering for job assignments from both clubs. Also discussed was assigning a Chairperson for all four days for all the committees, i.e., Hospitality, Catalogs, Ring Stewards, Transportation, Booth Vendors, Grooming Space, Cleanup, Exhibitor Parking and Parking Ticket Sales. Further discussion will be discussed at the January 31st Cluster Meeting. The exhibitors would like to see two days of the bake sale for the Make A Wish Foundation. This will be discussed further. A final tally of charitable contributions was as follow:

1.	Take the Lead	\$ 877.50 (which includes winnings donated back)
2.	AKC Humane Fund	\$ 67.50
3.	Make A Wish Foundation	\$ 1,014.50
4.	Children's Hospital of East TN	\$ 1,371.69
5.	MMC Hospitality House of Methodist Hospital of Oak Ridge	\$1,371.69

President's Report: TVKC has received word from AKC that TVKC's Constitution and By-Law changes have been reviewed with two changes that need to be made. (1) AKC will only allow a Club Delegate for a three-year term, not four years. (2) We need to review TVKC's honorary membership. AKC will not allow the wording of honorary after 20 years. The committee will review this and come up with recommendations to the club and AKC.

Treasurer's Report: Dinkins reported current checking and money market account totals are \$66,924.94. Dinkins also presented the December 2011 Agility Trial Financial Report - Net Profit was \$ 7,476.97. Motion by Catherine Bell, seconded by Beth While to approve the Treasurer's report. Motion passed unanimously.

AKC Delegate Report:

Member Contract Report: The general consensus was that members attending the meetings were happy. They particularly like the monthly programs being presented. It was also recommended that TVKC do a monthly feature on TVKC's website. Members will be contracted for suggestions.

Performance Committee: The committee will be reviewing options for future agility, obedience, and rally events as they relate to future shows. The December agility event was a great success. Recommendation to the Board is, that TVKC keeps this date along with the February date. The February Agility Trial is February 3, 4, and 5th. Volunteers are needed.

2012 Nominating Committee: Chairperson Pat Hodges, Barbara Price, Angie Bass. Eddie Dulaney and Carol Sommerfelt.

Judges Selection Committee: Group Judges have been hired.

Trophy Committee: Last year Alwine Pottery worked on trophies at lower prices. TVKC needs to come up with suggestions concerning trophies for 2012.

Training Classes Committee: Obedience classes start on Wednesday, January 18th at 6:15 p.m. Conformation classes resume January 23rd at 7:00 p.m.

Equipment Committee: Plans are to have a cleanup work day at the storage facility and to pull records for the Historical Society.

Old Business: Gate fees - General consensus is that money is being loss due to location of Parking Attendants. Attendants may need to be moved to just inside entrance gates. This will be discussed further for recommendations.

The Golden Glove Building will once again host obedience, rally and conformation events. Present plans are to hold one ring for obedience and one ring for rally, depending on entries. This would allow one to two rings for conformation. Final plans will be made after entries close.

New Business: Sommerfelt discussed the possibility of having two Show Chairmans, one for each day. This would give the club a backup . Bell commented that this had been discussed at the Cluster Meeting. ORKC will not make any changes. A motion was made by Pam Stanner, seconded be Robin Brown to have two Show Chairmans instead of one. Discussion followed. It was brought to the attention of the board that in fact TVKC already had a backup. TVKC has a Show Chairman and an Assistant Show Chairman. After further discussion, the motion was withdrawn by Stanner and Brown, who commented that they were not aware that TVKC had an Assistant Show Chairman.

Adjournment: Motion by Bell, seconded by Price for adjournment, motion carried unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 9:19 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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