

Tennessee Valley Kennel Club – BOD September 17, 2013

The Board meeting was called to order at the Animal Emergency Center, Kingston Pike, Knoxville TN at 6:03 PM by President Walter Sommerfelt. Board members were Walter Sommerfelt, Jean Dinkins, Neena Van Camp, Jeff Banta, Beth White, Keith Bailey and Paula Smiddy. Absent were Barbara Price, Barb Byrum and Catherine Bell. Guests were Carol Sommerfelt, Judy Hart, and Trula Dinkins.

Minutes of the July board were approved as posted on the web site.

Jean Dinkins, the treasurer, reported on funds for July and August 2013. The income in July was \$140: expenses were \$8534.85. The ending balance was \$56,998.30. For August the income was \$75 and expenses were \$509. The ending balance in August was \$56,564.30. Discussion on what is charged for the rental of club mats followed. The board chose to continue with the current charge of \$75 for use of the mats.

Jeff Banta, corresponding secretary, reported on an upcoming phone conference with APHIS veterinarians set up by AKC. A Sylvia Bishop's obedience seminar is in the area. NAIA was encouraging clubs to send delegates to their conference the first weekend in November to be held in Orlando FL. TVKC got several thank you notes for recent donations we have made.

Judy Hart, delegate to AKC, was elected to the Delegates By-Laws Committee for the coming year. The delegate body changed the time line for mailing out the premium lists. Judy talked to several at AKC including the Rules Committee chairman about a TVKC proposal that Member Clubs holding shows in their own area be allowed to hold 3 consecutive days of shows. This would help member clubs do more for purebreds and dogs in their territory and help the clubs "hold on" in these hard financial times. There have been some off the record suggestions given to her by some AKC staff to help the effort be a success.

Committee Reports

We revisited the idea of where in Knoxville the club meetings were to be held.

On a motion by Paula Smiddy, second by Neena it was voted to have the members' ballot this November on the motion for the September, October, November Jan, February and March meetings be held at Animal Emergency Center. The meetings in April, May, July and August are held at the UT Vet School. Motion Carried.

It will be voted at the November 13 meeting.

This year's Christmas party, pot luck, will be on the club's regular meeting night. We will hold it at the Emergency Center's kitchen and meeting room. The club will supply the main course, utensils & beverages, Members will be asked to bring the other items. It will be at 6:30. Paula's budget for club supplied items is \$200.

Jeff Banta will get with Neena Van Camp on how to find contact information on all the other dog clubs within about 100 miles of TVKC. We are inviting them to attend the presentation by Mary Dukes, AKC Executive Field Rep, on how to properly hold an event hearing.

Wally passed around the sheets for members to use to sign up area businesses to make donations to the show's raffle table so that the business can claim their donations. The forms and information will also go up on the TVKC web site.

Members will be asked to sign up with donations of cash or items for the Friday Bake Sale.

The Saturday post show dinner plans are being worked out by Linda Pitts, Keith Bailey and Jean Dinkins in order to get the largest possible attendance and profit for Take the Lead and East Tennessee Children's Hospital.

Keith Bailey has had a very good conversation with Katherine of U T Vet School. She will be setting up a meeting with Dr. Andrews to go over details of starting conformation training classes Oct 14. Classes will be 7 to 8 and we will have the building 6:30 until 9 PM Mondays

The B match will be at Diane's Canine School of Charm. Rental is \$150 and a portapotty will be about \$100 additional.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:55 PM.

Neena Van Camp

Recording Secretary

