

Tennessee Valley Kennel Club Board of Directors February 25, 2014

President Walter Sommerfelt called the meeting to order in the Community Room of Panera Bread, 4855 Kingston Pike Knoxville TN at 6:30 PM. Board members and officers present were Wally, Barbara Price, Jeff Banta, Jean Dinkins, Neena Van Camp, Barbara Byrum, Beth White, Pan Stanner and Keith Bailey. Absent were board members Catherine Bell and Paula Smiddy. Judy Hart, Carol Sommerfelt, John Byrum and Eddy Delaney were guests.

Minutes of the January 2013 Board meeting were approved as posted to the club website.

Corresponding secretary Jeff Banta reported he had sent out a couple items about TN legislative matters that via email to all members. Nothing else had been received.

Reports

Judy Hart reported that in spite of her making numerous phone calls she has not heard back from the lady at UT that is supposed to be the contact concerning an animal Emergency Trailer. Judy's been approached by Chattanooga's kennel club to see if we wanted to join with them in providing a joint one for eastern TN. The board supported that plan. Judy is to report back at our next meeting.

Show Planning was the main focus of the meeting. There will be only 2 days in 2014. Lower entries are expected. Collies & bulldogs will join us again.

The idea of having 4 obedience trials over the weekend was discussed. Neena's OH kennel club offering Rally on Friday afternoon and 2 obedience trials each weekend day in 2014. Only 2 judges needed to be hired for the 5 events. The board felt it better to hold 1 trial on Friday afternoon/evening and 2 on Saturday and 1 on Sunday.

Having an agility trial as part of the weekend events was considered.

The board authorized holding 4-6 month puppy groups for Saturday and Sunday & holding Armature Owner Handler Groups and BIS on Saturday.

We hope go forward with a Raffle and Bake Sale. Wally will check to see if Linda Pitts will be available to chair them. The raffle winners would be drawn before BIS on Saturday.

Other Items There's a lot of enthusiasm for the agility training classes being held on Monday nights at UT. Building a diversified base of dog fanciers is how we believe TVKC can continue to grow as right now conformation entries are not growing.

To reach out to guests attending our meetings the recording secretary was directed to use the information on the sign in sheets to send a "thank you for coming" memo to guests within 1 week of the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion by Pam Stanner and second by Barbara Price that TVKC participate in the UT Vet Student's Bark in the Brehm on 3/30/14. Motion carried. Neena will be the contact with the students.

Motion by Pam Stanner & second by Neena Van Camp that Jean Dinkins is authorized to rent a slightly larger storage space at the current location if the price for the 12' x 36' space is reasonable.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:51 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Neena Van Camp

Recording Secretary