

Tennessee Valley Kennel Club

Board Meeting -- Tuesday, January 8, 2019

The Board meeting was held at the home of Walter and Carol Sommerfelt. Following dinner (which was delicious) President Walter Sommerfelt called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m. **PRESENT:** Walter Sommerfelt, Carol Sommerfelt, Cheryl Kienast, Lois Biedron, Richella Veatch, Debby Hodges, Gregg Lonas, Erin Lonas, Melissa Craft and Jean Dinkins.

MOTION to approve Minutes by Debby Hodges, seconded by Lois Biedron. Passed unopposed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Treasurer's Report. Jean Dinkins presented the report for December: Total receipts were \$24,043.24 and total disbursements were \$19,637.77. The Ending Checking Account Balance is \$29,659.66. The total amount in savings is \$38,321.90 for a total of: \$67,981.56.

Report of AKC Delegate: Richella Veatch reported on the December Delegates Meeting.

Corresponding Secretary. Erin presented her report of thank you notes received from Children's Hospital, Canine Health Foundation and others.

Results of AKC Hearing: Walter informed the Board that TVKC is being held responsible for approximate \$3500 in damages to the show site. He also reported that AKC downgraded the punishment significantly. Walter has sent a communication to the entire AKC Board to ask for clarification and explanation and will report back to us.

Fund Raising: The Board discussed the need to work on ideas for fund raising as our Treasury is not increasing. Discussion held on advantages of changing to a 501c(3). Cheryl will check to see what an attorney would charge to set us up as a non-profit and report back to the Board.

Membership Review: Discussion held regarding what members may be tapped to help with various committees. Various Board members are to contact different members and will report back. Discussion also held on contacting members who have not attended a meeting for some time.

Nominating Committee: We need to empanel a Nominating Committee consisting of two Board members and three general members with one alternate in case one of the others cannot serve. The proposed committee members are Carol Sommerfelt, Jan Flaherty, Neena Van Camp, Tami Bradford, and Pat Symons with Shane Catalano as the alternate. The proposed committee members will be contacted for willingness to serve.

Show Committee: Discussion on various committees and where we need assistance.

Agility: Discussion on date change pursuant to a request from Roan State. The discussion is to move the December trials to mid August and possibly add a one-ring trial at the K9 Center. Will consult with Ace and report back.

Code of Ethics: Discussion to form a committee to draft a Code of Ethics for presentation and possible adoption by the Club. MOTION by Erin Lonas, seconded by Carol S. Passed unopposed.

FAST CAT: Debby will make some more calls and try to find another club and report back.

Performance Classes: Discussion on holding a weekend of just performance events with obedience, rally, agility, etc. Will look at area parks which may be suitable.

Trailer: Discussion on whether or not to purchase a larger trailer for the club. Tabled for later.

Awards Meeting: Discussion held regarding changing the month for the annual awards meeting. MOTION by Carol S. seconded by Gregg L. to hold the awards picnic in May. Passed unopposed.

NAIA: Discussion regarding our prior membership in this organization. MOTION to not renew our membership brought by Gregg L. seconded by Debby Hodges. Passed unopposed.

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business: None.

Next EXTENDED Board Meeting to be held April 9, 2019.

Motion to adjourn at 9:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by *Cheryl Kienast*, Recording Secretary