

Tennessee Valley Kennel Club April 15, 2014

At 7:30 PM President Walter Sommerfelt called the meeting to order at UT's Veterinary School following a video and DruAnne Nutzell's presentation on working towards laws for dogs' benefit.

Guests (Pamela Smith, Kat Engstrom, Lynn Dobiell, Stephanie Grayson and Megan Jordan) were asked to introduce themselves briefly telling members of their dog interests.

Minutes of the March meeting were approved as posted on the website.

The President reminded members who have had a dog complete an AKC title in 2013 to contact Jeanne Ringe at onyxk9@gmail.com NO LATER THAN MAY 10, 2014 to receive their award at the June picnic. It's best if you scan AKC's confirmation of title. Dogs receiving awards in June are eligible for a \$10 1/2 ad in this year's show catalog.

Corresponding Secretary –Jeff Banta reported he had been sending important information out to members via email and TVKC web site as it came in to him.

Treasurer's Report – Wally reminded members that Jean Dinkins has sent out the dues notice. The deadline for payment is May 31. He reported a March beginning balance of \$38,571.67 with income of \$350, disbursements of \$364.89 leaving an ending balance of \$38,556.78 in checking and \$37,928.59 in the money market = \$76,485.37. DUES ARE DUE.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Bark at the Brehm was discussed. Members and guests attending were surveyed for the things that went well and those things that we should change for future events. Most felt it was well received by the vet students and in attendance.

Show – It looks as if it is not economically possible for a Barn Hunt to be part of our show weekend. My Dog Can Do That and Meet the Breeds are something that will occur. It worked out that we will have the 2 obedience trials. An idea that came forward in group brainstorming was to follow up with media contacts such as Randy Boyd for publicity in advance of the show. We will use our contacts with UT Vet School, including the students, to try to secure an "Ask The Vet" booth along with their visual aids. Please contribute your ideas to the show chairs Carol Sommerfelt or Pat Hodges or officers and board members.

Carol Sommerfelt indicated judges are hired & information communicated to AKC.

Cheryl Kienast, trophy chairman, will be working with the same budget as 2013. Contact her with your donation information.

Conformation Classes Janice Flaherty indicated the Kindergarten Puppy class is completed. She will start another class as well as holding on-going conformation training classes. **CGC Testing** will be offered in the near future. Contact Janice for details or watch the web site for details.

The applications of Pamela Smith and Kat Engstrom were read for the first time.

Old Business –

Wally read the report from nominating committee chair Keith Bailey; The members were Ruby Valentine, Pat Hodges, Janis Flaherty and Pam Stanner.

President – Walter Sommerfelt

Vice President – Pat Hodges

Corresponding Secretary – Cheryl Kienast

Recording Secretary – Neena Van Camp

Treasurer – Jean Dinkins

Board members - Keith Bailey, Judy Hart (also AKC Delegate), Paula Smiddy, Janis Flaherty, Pam Stanner and Beth White.

Nominations from the floor were opened. There were none for any position. **Motion by Cheryl Kienast, second by DruAnne Nutzell to close nominations. Motion carried**

New Business DruAnne announced that Village Veterinary Clinic will be hosting its 5th Annual Pet Event at their Kingston Pike location in Farragut on May 3, 2014. Members who are able to represent TVKC are asked to coordinate thru her. She'll have her mobile grooming truck there.

The members with brags were DruAnne Nutzell, Janice Flaherty, Cheryl Kienast, Carol Sommerfelt and guest Kat Engstrom.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:22 PM.

Neena Van Camp,

Recording Secretary