

Tennessee Valley Kennel Club May 20, 2014

At 7:00 PM President Walter Sommerfelt called the meeting to order at UT's Veterinary School.

Guest Beth Messer introduced herself.

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

The President's report indicated June 17th is the annual awards picnic. It will be at Pat Hodges home in Loudon. Directions to her home will be posted along with the meeting notice. We will be having a pitch-in/pot-luck at 6:30 PM with a lottery fun match to follow. Each member is asked to bring a dog for the match. IF YOU DO NOT have a dog to bring let members know & one will be brought for YOU to show. 2 "random draw" dogs are shown each time with the losing dog being retired and the losing handler judging the next pair of dogs until one dog is the lottery match winner.

Wally has opened a line of communication with the Kingsport club about the possibility of combining shows for a conformation cluster in Knoxville and performance clustering at Walters State facility. He hopes to be able to visit with their club soon to further explore this option. However at this point it is just a line of communication. If all goes well we would work for a November 2015 cluster

Corresponding Secretary –Cheryl Kienast passed around 2 thank you cards and the program from the UT Vet School awards dinner attended by Jean Dinkins and Carol Sommerfelt in April.

Treasurer's Report –Jean Dinkins reminded us that the deadline for dues is May 31. Jean reported an April beginning balance of \$38,556.78 with income of \$347, disbursements of \$20 leaving an ending balance of \$38,883.78 in checking plus the money market = \$76,818.60. Motion by Beth White second by Richella Veatch to approve the report. Motion carried.

AKC Delegate – Judy Hart had posters available for members to distribute to facilities telling about the AKC Health Foundation. She asked the members for their input on how she should vote on the AKC amendment as to who is eligible to be an AKC delegate. The membership's vote indicated Judy should oppose the proposed AKC amendment.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Performance – Beth White indicated the December and February agility trials are on track.

Show – Ace Russell and assistants will present "My Dog Can Do That" in one of the main building's rings towards where specialties have been in the past.

We are still looking for someone to coordinate Meet the Breeds.

We need PUBLICITY FOR THE SHOW. Please contribute your ideas to build up our shows to show chairs Carol Sommerfelt & Pat Hodges or officers & board Especially since we plan to have the various demos to draw in the public on Saturday.