

Tennessee Valley Kennel Club – General Meeting

October 20, 2015

President Walter Sommerfelt called the general meeting to order at the ER Clinic at 7:07 P.M.

A roll call was conducted with 19 members responding. The roll call sheet is with the secretary's records. Guests –Cynthia Parker, Mark and Sherrie Houck.

Minutes of the September meeting were approved as published.

President's Message – Wally reminded the members about the drive to collect stuffed toys to take to Children's Hospital. He also reported that our entry was up about 100 per day over last year's shows. He reminded that we will be taping the floors starting at 3 p.m. on Thursday and that exhibitors will have access to set up beginning at 1:00 on Friday with an exception for collie exhibitors as they show Friday afternoon. As discussed in the Board meeting, we are down a person for Sunday to help tear down, clean and load the trailer.

Corresponding Secretary – No report.

Treasurer's Report – Jean Dinkins reported the club's finances for September 2015.

Disbursements:

4782	First Tennessee	new checking account	\$15,000.00
4783	Beth White	booth	\$55.69
4784	Jean Dinkins	checks	\$55.40

Total Disbursements:	\$15,111.09	-\$15,111.09
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Ending Checking Account Balance		\$21,943.68
Money Market 9-10-15	Interest Sept. 6.25	\$38,042.64
		\$59,986.32

Motion to accept the report was carried.

AKC Delegate – Richella Veatch reported that she is preparing for her first meeting in Florida.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

AGILITY – Beth White is gearing up for the Agility trials in Harriman on December 4, 5 and 6. If you can volunteer, please contact Beth.

SHOWS – Carol Sommerfelt will be contacting the volunteers regarding what times you need to be present.

TRAINING CLASSES

Conformation – Jan Flaherty reported that conformation classes are going well. She has had 18-20 people every week for some time. She is planning to hold two Juniors classes in November. She very much appreciates Ruby Valentine's assistance with the classes.

MEMBERSHIP

A final reading was held on Mark Houck, who was voted in as a new member following a motion to dispense with the secret ballot.

OLD BUSINESS—Examples and costs shown regarding club T-shirts. A decision was made on the style and color. An e-mail will be sent by Linda Stafford to the members regarding whether they wish to order and the size they need. **Anyone interested in walking in the Knoxville Christmas Parade the evening of December 4th are to contact Paula Smiddy.** We are seeking someone to volunteer to put together a committee to suggest programs for the meetings. Judy Hart is still working with the 4-H people and has arranged that any 4-H'er who wishes to take a TVKC class may do so at the club members' cost.

NEW BUSINESS—None.

HOLIDAY PARTY: It was voted in the Board Meeting that we would stay at the ER Clinic for our Holiday Party to be held December 29th at 6:30 p.m. We will be doing a Yankee Gift Exchange again with a \$15 limit on gifts. **No gag gifts this year, please.** We want everyone to get something either dog related or fun or useful. Linda Stafford graciously accepted the position of organizer. Will whoever organized the party last year please contact her with any suggestions.

BRAGS: Jan Flaherty, Madeline Lonas, Beth White, Gregg Lonas, Walter Sommerfelt, Keith Bailey, Richella Veatch and Samantha Stafford.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, *Cheryl Kienast*, Recording Secretary