

Tennessee Valley Kennel Club

General Meeting -- Tuesday, August 16, 2016

The meeting was held at the UT Veterinary School. CPR expert Leslie Wereszczak was TVKC's guest speaker. Leslie is the Small Animal Technician Supervisor for the UT Veterinary Medical Center small animal hospital's ICU and Emergency departments. She teaches CPR rounds to the students and staff, and she also goes to referring veterinary clinics to teach CPR to their teams. Leslie, who is board certified as a veterinary technician specialist in emergency and critical care, has been a speaker at national veterinary conferences around the country.

At 7:55 p.m., President Walter Sommerfelt called the meeting to order. There were 28 members present. Guests: Donna Foster, Pay Symons, Greg and Susan Sinatro, Mike and Malinda Presson, Carolyn Cahill, Alyssa Helms and Thomas Valentine.

Minutes of July Meeting: Motion to approve passed.

President's Message: Walter announced he would be going to Chilhowee to see if there was enough room to run the FAST lure course, although he doubts it will be possible to run this event this year. Discussion was held whether the membership would like to view the movie, *The Dog Lover*, which lasts 1 hour and 50 minutes as an extended program for the September meeting, which would have to start at 6:00 to accommodate this lengthy program. The majority voted in favor of viewing the movie.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Corresponding Secretary. Linda Stafford had nothing to report.

Treasurer's Report. Jean Dinkins was not present and did not submit a report.

Report of AKC Delegate: Richella Veatch reported that they would be voting on the items raised earlier at the September 10-11th meeting.

Agility: Beth White was not present.

Show Committee: Carol Sommerfelt has submitted the final premium corrections. Lois Biedron reported that the trophies are completed. If you have sponsored a trophy, please get your payment to Lois as soon as possible. Ads for the catalog must be in to Carol by September 1st. Any member who completed a title in 2015 is eligible for a half-page ad for \$10, which can have your dog's name, title, your name and the breeder's name.

Community Affairs: Gregg Lonas had nothing to report.

Conformation Class: Classes have been suspended and will resume September 12th.

Programs: Susan Corum announced that we will be showing *The Dog Lover* starting at 6:00. The November program will be a canine nutritionist. December will be the holiday part and will be held on December 27th at the ER.

Members: Reading of members was held for Alyssa Helms, and Pat Symons. Voting held on Donna Foster and Carolyn Cahill. Following a MOTION to dispense with secret ballots, voting was held and Donna Foster and Carolyn Cahill were voted in as new members.

Old Business: None.

New Business: There will be an Introduction to Herding Clinic presented by Cathy Hartley on October 13-15, 2016, in Greenback, Tennessee. It will cost \$350 to have a working spot or you may audit for \$25/day. Instinct Testing will be offered on October 16th for \$40.

BRAGS: Debbie Hodges, Gregg Lonas, Linda Stafford, Samantha Stafford, Richella Veatch, Keith Bailey and Brenda Weeks all had brags to share.

Motion to adjourn at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by *Cheryl Kienast*, Recording Secretary