

Tennessee Valley Kennel Club

General Meeting -- Tuesday, October 18, 2016

The meeting was held at the Veterinary Emergency Clinic. At 7:05 p.m., President Walter Sommerfelt called the meeting to order. A roll call was held with 28 members responding. The roll call sheet is with the Recording Secretary's records. **Guests Present:** Greg and Susan Sinatro and Melissa Engelking.

Minutes of August 2016 General Meeting: Approved as published.

President's Message: Walter discussed the show and obedience trial. Nominations for the AKC Lifetime Achievement Award were discussed. The membership nominated Tom Bradly for the conformation award, Tibby Chase for the companion award and did not return a nomination for the performance award.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Corresponding Secretary. Linda Stafford had nothing to report.

Report of AKC Delegate: Richella Veatch reported that they voted and approved on the new requirement that a dog must be 6 months of age on or before the first day of a multiple day dog show.

Program Chair: Susan reported that the program has not been confirmed for next month but is planned to have nutritionist Dr. Claudia Kirk as our speaker.

Agility: Beth White stated that the next trials are the first weekend in December. She will be asking for volunteers next month.

Treasurer's Report. Jean Dinkins submitted the Treasurer's Report for September:

Beginning Balance:		\$25,081.70	
Receipts:	\$455.46		
Disbursements:	<624.14>		
Final Checking Account Balance:		\$24,913.02	
First TN Savings Account:		\$38,076.40	
Total:			\$62,989.42

The Treasurer's report was approved as presented.

Show Committee: Carol reported that the entries close at noon on the 19th. She will need volunteers to set up on Thursday at 3:00 p.m. and for tear down on Sunday evening. She needs help with hospitality in the rings. Assistance is needed to staff the catalog sales table as well. Meet the Breeds was discussed as well as the stuffed animal donations for Children's Hospital. Susan Corum is working on publicity and has set up a TV spot on WBIR Live at 5 at 4.

Christmas Party: The party will be held December 27th at 6:30 at the Vet Clinic. Walter asked for a volunteer to coordinate the party. Erin Lonas volunteered. Thank you, Erin!

FAST coursing. Neena will work with Debbie Hodges to get this set up for next year's show.

Trophies: Lois will be dropping off the trophies between 3:30 to 4:00 Thursday.

Conformation Classes: Jan reported that the classes are building back up again. Samantha took care of instructing two new juniors. Puppy class just graduated.

Programs: Susan Corum said that Dr. Claudia Kirk, a University of Tennessee nutritionist, will confirm that she is available as our next speaker soon.

Walter asked that the members make a point of thanking Countryside Veterinary Clinic for sponsoring our show this year.

Membership: First reading of Susan Sinatro's application.

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business: Christmas parade will be December 2nd. We will have a list to sign up. It will cost the club an entry fee of \$65.

Brag: The following members had brags: Jan Flaherty, Judy Laureano, Debbie Hodges, Gregg Lonas, Elizabeth Davis, Alyssa Helms, Keith Bailey, Susan Corum, Samantha Stafford, Garron Riechers, Lois Biedron and Gail Schroth.

Motion to adjourn at 7:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by ***Cheryl Kienast***, Recording Secretary