

Tennessee Valley Kennel Club

General Meeting -- Tuesday, November 15, 2016

The meeting was held at the UT Veterinary School. Nutritionist, Claudia A. Kirk, DVM, Ph.d, DACVN, DACVIM, and Assistant Dean of the University of Tennessee spoke on nutrient support in canine heart failure.

At 8:00 p.m., President Walter Sommerfelt called the meeting to order. There were 18 members present. Guests: Greg and Susan Sinatro and Mike Presson.

Minutes of August Meeting: Motion to approve as published passed.

President's Message: Walter thanked all the members who helped at the TVKC shows with a special shout out to Lois Biedron for the trophies, to the set-up crew, Carol, Jan and Richella, on Thursday, to Susan Corum for the publicity, Paula Smiddy for handling the vendors, Neena for the judges' hospitality, Gregg Lonas for taking the toys to the children's hospital and for heling him with the trailer!

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Corresponding Secretary. Linda Stafford was not present and did not submit a report.

Treasurer's Report. Jean Dinkins submitted her report. The balances are:

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| Beginning Balance: | \$24,913.02 | |
| Receipts: | 1,010.46 | |
| Less Disbursements: | <u>< 1,041.73></u> | |
| Ending Checking Account Bal: | \$24,881.75 | |
| First Tennessee Savings: | <u>\$38,078.01</u> | |
| TOTAL: | | <u>\$62,959.76</u> |

Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented--passed.

Report of AKC Delegate: Richella Veatch was not present.

Agility: Beth White reminded everyone that the next trial will be held December 9, 10 and 11. She passed around a sign-up sheet for volunteers. If you have time, please go to the Harriman agility trial arena and donate a couple of hours. It is great fun!

Show Committee: We received a lot of feedback on the show—mostly positive. The judges commented that they felt the music made the atmosphere and exhibitors more relaxed and enjoyed it very much. We had great comments on the trophies and rosettes. Countryside Veterinary Clinic has already said they would sponsor our show again next year. Walter reported that we would definitely offer the FAST CAT event next year.

Community Affairs: Gregg Lonas had nothing to report. Paula Smiddy reported that we were informed that due to an issue with one of the canine entries last year, they would not permit dogs to walk in the parade. The only option was to ride on a float, so we have decided not to participate this year and will hope that the City will change the rules back for next year.

Conformation Class: Lois reported for Jan that classes have resumed and are being well attended.

Programs: Susan Corum did not have a program lined up for December as we will be holding our Holiday Party.

Christmas/Holiday Party: The December meeting will be at the ER on December 27th beginning at 6:30 p.m. This will be a pot luck dinner. The club will be providing a meat dish. Members are urged to bring their favorite side dishes to share. We will be doing the Yankee gift exchange again this year. Please bring a NICE gift in the \$10-\$15 price range for the exchange. No gag gifts, please.

Members: Reading of members was held for Greg and Susan Sinatro and Mike Presson. Following a MOTION to dispense with secret ballots, voting was held. TVKC would like to congratulate Greg and Susan Sinatro and Mike Presson as our newest members.

Old Business:

New Business: None.

BRAGS: Beth White, Lois Biedron, Keith Bailey, Cheryl Kienast, Mike Presson, Jean Dinkins bragged for Melissa Craft, Pat Rhea, Carol Sinatro and Erin Lonas all had brags to share.

Motion to adjourn at 8:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by *Cheryl Kienast*, Recording Secretary