Tennessee Valley Kennel Club

General Meeting Tuesday, May 16, 2017

This meeting was held at the home of Paula Smiddy who graciously offered her home for our annual picnic and award ceremony. Following a delicious potluck dinner, President Walter Sommerfelt called the meeting to order at 6:53 p.m. Roll call of the members elicited 18 members' response. There were five guests: Norma Scarlett, Dennis Yates, Shane Catalano, Lois DeMall and Jack Holbert.

Motion to approve the Minutes of the previous General Meeting of April 17, 2017, as published. **Passed.**

Show Committee and President's Remarks: Walter spoke about the judge change for our fall show and informed the club of Jean Dinkins' mother's passing. Upon MOTION by Lois Biedron, seconded by Cheryl Kienast, it was voted to dedicate our upcoming show to the memory of Trula Dinkins.

FAST CAT will be offered at our show and will be held in the midway grassy area. Lois discussed the trophies to be offered. Anyone sponsoring a trophy for their breed must let her know and submit their money before June 28th, which is when the premium information must be submitted.

Programs. Susan Corum reported that the next program would be "understanding breed standards." The following month will include a tour of the UT Vet School.

Nominating Committee. Jan reported that the officers have agreed to remain in office for another term. The Board members will be: Carol Sommerfelt, Gregg Lonas, Susan Corum, Neena Van Camp, Keith Bailey and Lois Biedron. Richella will remain as Delegate. Nominations from the floor were requested. Melissa Craft was nominated for a Board position.

Voting: Ballots were distributed to all voting members. Following the talley, the Officers and Board Members for the 2017-2018 year are:

President Walter Sommerfelt
Vice President Janice Flaherty
Treasurer Jean Dinkins
Corresponding Secretary Linda Stafford
Recording Secretary Cheryl Kienast
Board Members: Gregg Lonas
Carol Sommerfelt

Keith Bailey Lois Biedron Susan Corum Melissa Craft

Unfinished Business. None.

New Business. Richella is willing to judge five trick dogs per day for each of the three days of our show and five CGCs per day. Gregg Lonas **MOVED** and Cheryl Kienast seconded that we include trick dogs and CGC testing at our fall show. **Passed**.

Brags: The following members had brags to share: Gregg Lonas, Carol Sommerfelt, Keith Bailey, Lois Biedron, Susan Corum and Melissa Craft.

Motion to adjourn at 7:21 p.m. after which we held our fun match.

Respectfully submitted by Cheryl Kienast, Recording Secretary