

# Tennessee Valley Kennel Club

## General Meeting -- Tuesday, April 17, 2018

The meeting was held at the Pendegrass Library at UT. President Walter Sommerfelt called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. There were 23 members present and a guest, Bailey Whited.

### **Motion to approve the March Minutes—approved.**

**President's Message:** Walter announced that next month will be the annual awards pot luck. The club will be providing the meat and the members should bring a side dish to share. A Lottery Match will be held so all members who wish to participate in the match are encouraged to bring one dog each to show. Yes, there will be prizes!

**Corresponding Secretary:** Erin Lonas, as Acting Corresponding Secretary, presented her report of correspondence received including a thank you from Susan Porterfield regarding the flowers the club sent to her husband's funeral. Erin read a nice letter from Alyssa Helms, one of the recipients of the scholarship which the club gives to the UT Veterinary College. Erin reported that she and Keith represented the club at the annual thank you luncheon by UT for all the scholarship donors.

**Treasurer's Report:** Jean Dinkins presented her report for March. Balance is \$66,009.30. Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report—approved. The full report is attached to the minutes.

**Delegate's Report:** Richella had nothing to report but made a suggestion that she could do a power point presentation to the members on the new AKC website. Discussion held regarding possible future programs.

**Annual Awards:** The annual awards meeting will be held next month at Pat and George Hodges' home. This event will begin at 6:00. Directions will be on the website. Meeting is to start at 6:00 p.m. There will be a potluck dinner with the club providing meat and members bringing side dishes. It was decided to hold a lottery match. **Motion** brought by Gregg and seconded by Carol to designate \$150 for food for the event and \$100 for door prizes. **Passed.**

**Agility:** Jean will meet with Ace regarding the upcoming agility trials and will report back to the club.

**Show Committee:** Carol reported that most judges are now under contract. The obedience trials are on track. We are still determining who will judge the 4-6 month puppy groups and owner-handled groups. Carol informed the members that they again had the opportunity to place a half-page ad in the catalog for \$15 to celebrate the new title(s) they may have earned during the prior year. Other advertising will be available at the cost of \$75 for a full page with one photo or a half page with one photo for \$50. Additional photos would cost \$10. Carol must have your ad by September 22<sup>nd</sup>. Carol also announced that the club will offer a fun match Friday following the collie specialty. George Rohde is Chairing this event. Please speak with George if you would like to be a judge, ring steward or am able to assist with this event.

**Fast Cat:** Debby Hodges reported that she has been in contact with another club regarding running the Fast Cat event in conjunction with our fall show. There was another club she has not heard back from. We need to know the cost for the location before contracting with another club to do this event.

**Community Events:** Gregg Lonas reported on the upcoming events which will be on the website.

**Trophies:** Lois reported on the trophy sponsorships.

**Website:** Erin reported on the website.

**Conformation & Puppy Kindergarten:** Jan reported on the classes. Next puppy class begins May 7<sup>th</sup>.

**Programs:** Susan Corum stated that the scheduled program called shortly before the meeting to cancel. The annual awards picnic will be next month. June's program will be Amanda Pittman from the new Canine Conditioning Wellness & Rehabilitation Center.

**Nominating Committee:** The Nominating Committee made the following nominations:

President	Walter Sommerfelt
Vice President	Janice Flaherty
Corresponding Secretary	Debby Hodges
Recording Secretary	George Rohde
Treasurer	Jean Dinkins
Board Members	Cheryl Kienast
	Lois Biedron
	Melissa Craft
	Carol Sommerfelt
	Gregg Lonas
	Susan Corum

Nominations from the floor:

Vice President	Keith Bailey
Corresponding Secretary	Erin Lonas
Board Member	Debby Hodges

Voting will be held next month.

**Membership:** Tami Bradford had her first reading.

**Old Business:** Quinto reported on the status of the vendors for the fall show.

**New Business:** None.

**Brag:** The following members had accomplishments to share: Cheryl Kienast, Jan Flaherty, Carol Sommerfelt, Gregg Lonas, Keith Bailey, Richella Veatch, George Rhode and Tami Bradford

**Motion** to adjourn at 7:47 p.m.

The program consisted of a question/answer session with Walter Sommerfelt.

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