

Tennessee Valley Kennel Club
General Meeting -- Tuesday, January 15, 2019

The meeting was held at the Emergency Clinic on Kingston Pike. The program was on *Your AKC Delegate*. At 7:02 p.m., President Walter Sommerfelt called the meeting to order. There were 18 members present and 4 guests. The guests were Linda Bayless, Shari Butters, Trish Isbell and Kristen Kelly.

Minutes: Motion to approve passed unopposed. (Carol S. Keith B.)

President's Report. Review of items discussed in recent Board meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Nominating Committee: The Nominating Committee has been selected. The nominated slate will be announced at the March meeting with nominations from the floor solicited at the April meeting. Voting will be in May.

Agility: Ace Russell presented his report. We currently do not have a date in Harriman past the upcoming trials in February 1-3rd due to a conflict with a horse show. Current plans are to hold two one-ring trials at the K-9 Center in December. Ace again is asking for volunteers to come to the February shows in Harriman. There are easy to learn jobs for anyone who will be willing to help. The trials start at 8:00 a.m. Please contact Ace if you are able to give a few hours of your time.

Trailer: Walter discussed the need to replace our current trailer. Options are being explored.

Fast CAT: Debby Hodges was not present but will report on her attempt to find another club to put these trials on for us. It was suggested that the Powell Veterinary Clinic has the equipment and may be an option.

Ambassador Program: Debby Hodges and Cheryl Kienast went on their first "Ambassador" speaking engagement with the 4-H club which met January 10th at UT. Debby was not present so Cheryl gave a brief report of the visit. There were several children present. We brought three dogs between us and spoke for an hour on what programs and events AKC provides which can be enjoyed with their dogs.

Code of Ethics: Discussion regarding development of a COE for TVKC. Gregg Lonas will Chair this committee.

Treasurer's Report: Jean Dinkins presented her report for December. Beginning Balance \$25,254.19. Receipts: \$24,043.24. Disbursements: \$19,637.77. Savings: \$38,321.90. Ending Balance: \$67,981.56. Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report was made, seconded, and passed unopposed. (Ace R. and Carol S.)

Delegate's Report: Richella presented her report of the December Delegate's meeting in Florida.

Show Committee: Carol is working on submitting the paperwork for 2019 and getting the judges' contracts back.

Conformation classes have started again on Monday nights at 7:30 at the UT Equine Arena.

Programs: Susan Corum reported that she has an idea for a program and will be reporting back once it has been locked in.

Community Affairs: Gregg Lonas had nothing imminent. Keith Bailey will report back about whether or not we will try to attend the Village Veterinary event the first weekend in May. Trish Isbell said there is another event in Farragut in August which has good attendance by the community.

Membership: First reading on **Kristen Kelly** and **Trish Isbell**.

Corresponding Secretary. Erin reported that she had received some thank you notes—one from Children's Hospital for the stuffed toys we donated and another from the Canine Health Foundation for our donation.

Comment Box: There is a comment box on the website. People are encouraged to use it.

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business: Reminder from Susan of the April awards.

BRAGS: Ace Russell, Quinto Burchi, Carol Sommerfelt, Melissa Craft, Richella Veatch and Keith Bailey shared their wins and good news.

Next Meeting will be February 19th.

Motion to adjourn at 8:04 p.m.

Minutes respectfully transcribed by *Cheryl Kienast*, Recording Secretary