



BUSINESS MEETING
SUNDAY, JUNE 5, 2016
SUFFIELD VETERINARY HOSPITAL
577 EAST ST SOUTH, SUFFIELD, CT

President, Annmarie Wilson called the meeting to order at 6:09pm.

Members in Attendance:

Annmarie Wilson, President

Laura Lafreniere, Treasurer

Lyn Blanchard, Corresponding Secretary

Tina Stone, Recording Secretary

Tricia Ancelli, Board Member

Keith Blanchard, Board Member

Danette Chorney, Board Member

Kelly Rome, Board Member

Ann Huntington

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer, Laura Lafreniere reported the account balances as of June 4, 2016.

MOTION: to accept the Treasurer's Report
(Huntington/Rome) Motion Carried

Minutes:

Recording Secretary, Tina Stone presented the minutes of the May 1, 2016 meeting. They were not read as they were distributed to all members by e-mail.

MOTION: to accept the minutes of the May meeting
(L. Blanchard/Chorney) Motion Carried

Correspondence:

Corresponding Secretary, Lyn Blanchard received a letter from Margaret Wilson thanking us for allowing her to judge at our Specialty.

Match:

Tina reported that our August Rally & Obedience Show & Go will be Sunday, August 14, 2016 at SVH.

Tricia Ancelli will be co-chairing to take over as chair in 2017.

Annmarie Wilson will be judging Rally.

Deb Brunell will be judging Beginner Novice and Novice Obedience classes.

Danette Chorney will be judging Open and Utility Obedience classes.

Specialty Wrap Up:

- We had a lot of catalogs left over this year, so Ann Huntington will ask MB-F if we could get 50 instead of the 100 that comes with the basic package next year.
- With the change on our Sweepstakes judge this year AKC said we needed to resend the premium back out like it originally was done, which was mailing. MB-F said they could e-mail instead of remailing. Ann would like to see if we can do mailings and e-mail to reach more people. We also might be able to just send premium by e-mail which will be a lot less expensive than mailing.
- Danette Chorney asked if we could send out the premium earlier as those who compete in Agility need to register for their events very early which prevented some people from coming and competing in All Breed Obedience on Friday.
- Need to make a correction to the premium for campers that we do have water and electricity hook ups.
- Danette asked if we could make a form that the campers could fill out and pre register. This way we know who is coming and what there set up is, making it easier to collect money due. Would also like to add that the use of electricity for vans set up overnight in which owners may not be staying on grounds will incur a fee.
- Annmaire would like to change in Obedience that Regular Classes will get a trophy but Non Regular Classes and Optional Titling classes would get something smaller like a leash.
- Ribbons for All Breed Obedience were still very confusing for the Obedience Stewards.
- Lyn is considering relinquishing Raffle Chair to another member. She sent many reminders to members to bring their raffle items already completed to be put in the raffle or to get items to her ahead of time to make baskets. There was still a lot of junk stuff that showed up in bins already broken.
- Laura L. asked if we will be doing the Friday night BBQ again next year as we did not have many people sign up this year. The club would like to try one more year and see if numbers increase.
- Ann sent an e-mail to the photographer to see if she'll be back next year.

Supported Entries:

Shawangunk is June 24, 2016 and Allie Fisher is judging

West Springfield is November 27, 2016 and Beth Volle is judging

Nationals:

Annmaire and Gretchen will be going this year. Annmarie will bring stuff to make a basket for their Raffle.

2017 Nationals will be in Brooklyn, CT. Club would like to do the welcome bags.

New Business:

1. Laura L. is exploring the possibility of changing our fiscal year from August 1st – July 31st. If we are able to do this membership dues would be moved as due on January 1st.

2. Annmaire would like the club to work on being able to hold a WC test possibly in 2017. We have potential people looking to join our club that could help judge and help us run a test. We don't need much equipment to hold one, there would be no live firing and we would use dead ducks. We do need a couple of blinds that Laura L. will look to make for us. We could look at using Nod Brook, West Thompson, and possibly SVH.

Adjournment:

MOTION: to adjourn the meeting at 7:49pm
(Chorney/Huntington) Motion Carried

Tina Stone, Recording Secretary