



Anoka County Minnesota Kennel Club General Meeting Minutes February 15th, 2023

- Member Attendance:** Kathy Billman, Jim Billman, Karen Godfrey, Laurie Hanson, Tim Peterson, Annaliese Reitsma, Lisa Dankert, Nancy Cameron, Barbara Stoffel
- Board Attendance:** Gloria Zopfi, Sandy Reitsma, Nikki Owen, Cathy Bosnic, Lynda Lee Peterson, Jean Hanley
- Guest:** None
- Quorum:** Quorum Confirmed
- Meeting to Order:** Meeting called to order at 7:05 pm by Jim Billman, President.
- Minute Review:** 3 Corrections in the brags only
- Motion to Accept: Sandy Reitsma
Seconded: Nancy Cameron
Vote – Passes
- President Report:** Nothing at this time
- Secretary Report:** Computer - \$900 approved by board. Will come back with 3 options and email the club to review and approved by the club
- Treasurer Report:** Statements: January 31st, 2023
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| Checking: | \$ 91,060.09 |
| Share Savings: | \$ 5.00 |
| Money Market: | \$ 91,353.72 |
| Total: | \$ 100,518.81 |
- Online Account Balance as of Today: \$ 7,323.39
Balance Confirmed by Gloria Zopfi
- Motion to Accept: Sandy Reitsma
Seconded: Kathy Billman
Vote – Passes
- Committee Reports**
- Cluster:** Plans continue. Premium list has not been published nor has it come back for final approval. All our work is done at this time.
- Obedience:** Jamie Meath will be taking on as the Chair. Date to move has been confirmed by Cindy and dates are confirmed by Total Recall. Will be sending out info for Judges and will send out application next week even without the Judges.
- Jamie could not do the September date and asked to move it to August. No one else has jumped in to take the job.

August 19th and 20th are the new dates.

Motion to move the dates to August: Nikki
Second: Lynda Lee
Vote: Passes

Are we trying for a 3rd Judge? Not at this time.

Agility:

Looking to do 4 days of Agility this year, once in October (20th, 21st and 22nd) and once in December. Approved to have 2 events, but the October would have an international day. It is a qualifying AKC class and is not much different than a regular trial. the International will be held Friday Evening.

Karen brought up the ByLaws that we only have one. Confirming that this is just a trial year and will determine after the trials are complete if we should update them accordingly

Charitable Donations:

Nothing at this time (hold until fall?)

Scholarship Committee:

Awaiting Applications. If you have a student that could apply, please get the applications in.

Website:

Currently working on what we would like to change, what we have changed, and what we might discontinue. Full report next month.

Possibly having an online application? Will look into. How would they pay? Do we include Renewals? Yes Will this affect the bylaws? If electronic, make sure the applications are sent to the Membership Chair Email

Leave this until we have a new Membership.

PayPal? Expensive

Square? Cheaper but a pain to set up

Venmo? An Organization you can do this but it required to be tied to an individual? Who do we have as the individual.

What does Cambridge use? They use PayPal

Sunshine:

Nothing at this time.

Education/Programs:

Cathy Bosnic looking into doing an event with the U of M on Dog Cancer. We would like to make sure we had good attendance. Perhaps before our solstice but we'll see what we can get on his calendar. Nikki will work to get out information depending on the date he picks will determine what we do

Long time ago, we did round tables. Discussions with a specific person. Could be ourselves? Bring in a judge or something. Member spotlight? Have it as a segment within our general meeting.

At the end of the meeting have a "Program" to have discussions about a topic or person. Discussion topics can be food, grooming, vets, etc. Discussing breeds, why you love your breed.

Doesn't have to be monthly (Program) maybe every other month or quarterly

Member Spotlight, at each meeting. - Sandy will be our first person.

Banquet/July picnic: Reserved for July 19th at our usual spot in Ramsey.

Job Description Book: This should be more of a review there is a full list on the website. Looking to see if we still have the book. Kathy talked to Carolyn, and she didn't have it.

Perhaps it's in the older records? Sandy, could you take a look for it? Sandy—at one point we went through a lot and made it less boxes. Perhaps it will be in there so She will look again.

Dog Subsidy Program: So far 1 person has sent in a vet recommendation. Bobbie sent one in. Looking for more recommendations. Deadline is March 1st

Update the stories on the website and included stories on email to the club as well.

Very well received at the December Trial and people wanted to donate directly.

MN Purebred Dog Breeders Assoc: Annual meeting is Sunday.

Meet the Club: If someone is interested in taking over as Chair, perhaps Bobbie

Membership: First Readings:

Darci Kram & Danielle Wagner
9233 134th St
Savage, MN 55378
Sponsors: Gloria Zopfi & Pamela Belz

Mike Teh and Alyssa Taylor
7060 Innsdale Ave S
Cottage Grove, MN 55016
Sponsors: Gloria Zopfi & Pamela Belz

Sara Zislin
4869 Bishop Ln NW
Rochester, MN 55901
Sponsors: Gloria Zopfi & Pamela Belz

Rose Hallman
2554 Mayer Lane
Maplewood, MN 55119
Sponsors: Bobby Moore-Riebel & Keith Shank

Annalise is interested in taking this on. She is Sandy's daughter and been part of the club since she was in the womb. It's nice to have a younger member to

Nikki will work with Annaliese to pass the torch

Unfinished Business:

Destroy the ballots:

Motion to Destroy the Ballots: Nikki Owen
Seconded: Lynda Lee Peterson
Vote – Passes

Junior Coordinator:

Nikki will take on as chair, looking for a co-chair to assist – Kathy Billman

Others welcome to join in if they like.

New Business:

Release of Ramsey Meeting Room – we have not used it in a long time. Back in January, the board did vote to release the Feb and March Dates as someone else was looking to use them. Based on the Survey, there really is no need to hold it.

Jim will send Gloria Pam Millers phone and email to contact about releasing it

Inactive Committees – remove non active committees to help move meeting along

Adopt a Highway – they reached out to Lisa. Do we want to pick it back up?? they will send Lisa an application and we can continue to clean the section we did before. Laurie Hanson has been doing this for a while without the program. Do we want to pick this back up??

Takes about 2 ours for 6 people, try to get 6 to 8
Could be a great way to get people back together
Maybe pick up grabbers?

Motion to Approve continuing the Highway Cleanup program for our section: Sandy Reitsma
Second: Lynda Lee Peterson
Vote: Passes

Dates??? April 22 & Sept/October (TBD)

Talk to Randy about getting vests? Gloria can do it too

Budget: Any questions about specifics?

Nancy – Agility doubled what? The proposed amount instead of the actual. Instead of 2 days, we will have 5 days.

Karen – With 2.5 days for the second trial and looks to be conservative correct? Yes it was

Jim – Anoka Shariff this year is the 3rd and final commitment, correct. It is our final year of obligation.

Barb – obedience, numbers seem low Why? Being conservative as we can. Looks like it has increased in past years due to Covid. Everything is costing more. Conservative about income but larger on expenses.

World team: This year there are only 2 from MN. Adjusted to \$1,000 accordingly. Is in the budget but not required to be used. Will be voted on at the time this comes up.

Gift Cards – 0 this year because it is all profit. Will have them available at Solstice and Highway clean-up

Listed to the end again to understand the donations that Cathy talks about.

Barb – Agility and Obedience what is the ()? That is the profit from the events. The first money is the total income, inside the () is the profit.

Lisa – Last year we lost this year we are expecting to lose more. That is not sustainable. How do we expect to do this.

After a lot of discussion and talk, we are planning to reduce our donations and looking to see how the changes in this years events pan out. Also there are some expenses that are clearing up with the end of this year. If all goes well, we will be back on track and budget in the near future. The last several years since COVID we have actually only lost about \$1k on average. Once approved, the final budget will be sent out with next months minutes.

Motion to accept the Budget – Laurie Hanson
Second – Lynda Lee Peterson
Vote: Passes

Constitution/Bylaws/Standing Rules Update? we should review and redo them as needed. AKC has a new suggested constitution and Bylaws to see how it differs, came out last year. Nancy & Lisa. Will need to include election process for Hybrid meetings.

Miscellaneous

Who has the shirts and leftover cups from the banquet?

Jim has the cups and perhaps the shirts. Need to send Cathy Bosnic a Cup

Adjourn

Motion to Adjourn: Sandy Reitsma
Seconded: Nancy Cameron
Vote - Passes
Time Adjourn: 8:48 pm

Braggs:

Karen Godfrey:

January

JEEP earned AKC FIT Dog Bronze award, adding the FITB title at the end of her name.

COMET [LadySlipper's Wandering Moon] sired a litter of 5 healthy puppies out of Sparkle [Ruttkay's Princess Sparkle Twilight], whelped in New York on Jan. 17th. 3 boys and 2 girls are thriving.

February

JEEP earned the FIT Dog Silver award, adding the FITS title at the end of her name.

JEEP earned the FIT Dog Gold award on Valentine's Day, adding the FITG title at the end of her name. She has now earned all 3 of the new AKC FIT Dog titles available.

2022 Keeshond Obedience Rankings were published, and TREK was ranked 11th overall and 2nd in Novice A. JEEP was ranked 12th overall and 5th in Novice B.

Lisa – had an Oops litter, 5 puppies. Smallest was just under 3 oz larges was 5 oz all alive!! Normal size is 8-10 ounces.

Respectively Submitted,
Nichol Owen
ACMKC Secretary