



General Club Meeting
Thursday March 19, 2008
Murphy's Grill, Dallas, Oregon

Meeting Minutes

In attendance for the were Brenna Spencer, Patti Storkel, Phyllis Dinsmore, Liz Hughes, Dan Nechemias, Chuck & Beth Aylworth, Gary Dunlop, Karen Houle, Nancy Rowland, Chris Levy, Vickie Clarke, Teri Pope, Dorian Mell, Judi James.

President Dan Nechemias called the meeting to order about 715.

President's report This is our first meeting since our Winter Paws match. We had a wonderful turnout and received great feedback from exhibitors and judges. We ended up with 100 dogs and 174 entries for the day – our best turnout ever. Your board has met since the last meeting and we set up meetings for several months and the dates are now on the website. We authorized \$60 to Polk County 4-H for county fair prizes as we have in the past.

Minutes of last meeting were approved as published.

Recording Secretary's report Michele is out of town; Judi filled in for her. Minutes of the board and general meetings have been posted on the Club's Yahoo site.

Corresponding Secretary's report No mail, but several calls that can be addressed as the related topic comes up.

Treasurer's report. Vicki reports that we had \$1821 in income from the match including \$571 from the raffle. We spend \$165.30 for ribbons and trophies. We have slightly more than \$7 thousand in the bank. Consensus was continue supporting Marion County 4-H fair with \$60 donation.

Committee Reports

Match Committee We had a very successful Winter Paws match, and our summer match is just around the corner. Volunteers are needed:

Chair – Marion Ganfield (via email to the c. sec'y)
Hospitality – Vicki Clarke
Chief Ring Steward – Patti Storkel
Potluck – Dan & Lois Nechemias
Show Secretary – Teri Pope

Judi received a call from Evergreen Aviation Museum asking if we could move our date one week to 8/1. Those present discussed and consensus was to retain our 7/25 date.

Achievement Placques – Teri Pope has no update on alternatives to current vendor.

AKC Liaison We are gathering together the necessary information to update our file and again request accreditation.

Christmas Party Sandi Furbish was not present, no update on our unused deposit with Roths.

Historian – No report, Lorene was absent.

Policy Committee The board wishes to re-activate the policy committee to review several by-laws changes AKC has requested. Discussion of who had previously served on the committee (Karen H. chair, Gary D, Tom L., Alice W, Chris C, Laurie P.) and request for volunteers to serve on a new one. Tom Levy was asked to contact prior members and see if they wish to continue serving.

Membership Applications – no new applications for review.

Unfinished Business

Legislation Chris, Karen & Judi updated the members on what's happening in the Oregon legislature. There are 3 dog bills this session. HB 2852 and SB 667 both relate to regulating bull breeds. Sponsors have indicated these bills will not move forward this session.

HB 2470 labeled the puppy mill ban and backed by the Humane Society of the United States has had its first public hearing; the work group has been unable to reach consensus on improved language in the bill; and is set for another hearing and work session on 3/30, 3 pm in House Consumer Protection Committee. Chris & Judi will distribute more information to the club on the Responsible Dog Owner Lobby Day on 3/30 including standing up for our rights as dog owners and breeders during the hearing on this bill.

Motion was made to support the NAIA petition on this measure on behalf of the club. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote. Judi will finish the letter and forward it to the proper place.

New Business

Evergreen Museum Membership renewal Vicki received a notice for renewal of our membership. For \$250/year we are members, receive some recognition on the museum's website, passes to the museum and discounts in the store and on facility use fees. Motion made and carried by unanimous voice vote to renew.

There being no further business, meeting adjourned.

Recorded by Judi James