

**GENERAL MEETING NOTES**

**May 23, 2024, 7:00pm, Via Zoom**

**MINUTES PENDING APPROVAL:**

The meeting was called to order by Vicki Barker at 7:04pm.

**ROLL CALL:**

**Member Attendees:**

Vicki Barker, Patty Patzman, Donna Bonnicksen, Carol Dorris, Brenda Holmen, Patty Reiman, Dick Rueter, Sarah Class, Kari Ditty, Karla Edwards, Margo Griffiths, Danielle Hansen, Nikki Ollom, Lynette Spitzer, Erin Warshaw.

**OFFICERS REPORTS:**

**Reading of 3/28/24 Minutes**-members were asked to review the minutes on the NSTA website in lieu of reading them. No comments. Patty P. motioned to Accept, Dick 2nd. All Ayes. APPROVED.

**Treasurer Report-**Donna read the YTD (through April) financial report. Income was $875.73, Expenses were $18.78, Profit was $856.95. The balance in the club account as of 4/30/24 is $9814.16 + $60 in petty cash. Erin motioned to accept, Dick 2nd. APPROVED.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Terrier Specialty 2024:**

**Premium List:**

* Waiting for final draft to review and sign off on-should be ready early June.

**Trophy/Awards:**

Carol provided update:

* Best of Breed Winners-Have Club Logo Slip Leads.
* Best Puppy in Breed/Obedience and Rally First Place Qualifiers-Have Fur Squeak Toys.
* For the best of Breed and Puppy prizes, Kari volunteered to make approximately 100 6” x 7” drawstring bags to put these in. Patty P. will have club logo hang tags made (size TBD) to attach to bags.
* Best Veteran in Breed-Fleece Crate Pads-have material to make pad, finishing up on club logo to sew on pad.
* Cash Awards for Group Winners, Juniors Winners, Obedience and Rally Winners has been collected through sponsorship ($776). Will put cash winnings into NSTA cards/envelopes with hand written note to hand to winners. Patty R. will work on 2 signs to put on awards tables listing all sponsors with amount by category.
* Rosettes for Group Winners, Juniors Winners, Obedience and Rally Winners (1st Place 8”, 2nd – 4th Place 6”) being worked on by Brenda H.
* To date we have collected $495 in donations (not including sponsorship) to put towards the awards.

**Judges Gifts:**

* Agreed to doing MN theme again.

**Advertising:**

* Vicki will work on a flyer promoting the specialty to post on Website, FB, share with clubs etc.

**Ring Stewards:**

* Vicki volunteered to be chief ring steward again for this year’s show (thank you).
* Will need to send an email out in late June/early July to look for volunteers to help outside the ring and inside when needed.

**Hospitality:**

* Discussion was opened up to group to get feedback on last year’s set up.
  + All agreed the Hospitality Tent looked great and was comfortable and welcoming.
  + Was well organized with a lot to offer guests to eat and drink.
  + The tent was not always covered by club members due to not having a formal schedule.
  + The tent was not clearly visible. Even with the great signage done by Patty P. and Patty R. along with word of mouth, it was difficult to find location because it was hidden from the street/seemed to be a private set up amongst RV’s.
* Strategy for this year:
  + Patty P. is still working on meeting with Airedale and Fox Terrier Clubs to see if they want to participate with us again this year and if so, determine how costs and staffing of tents will be split up during Thursday/Friday of show.
  + Lynette spoke to Judy and will contact Kim (from SCVKC) to discuss alternative location outside of Building C show site where it would be much more visible to attendees.
  + Although a new location is not definite, Vicki called for a vote to see if members would want to consider a new location if one could be confirmed. Final vote was 7 yes, 4 no, 3 abstained.
* Additional details to discuss:
  + review what we can use from last year (supplies like plates, napkins, cups, etc.) and then come up with a budget (LY was $150).
  + Type of signage and placement will need to be determined.
  + Come up with ways to invite people (flyer) and create excitement (hand out tickets for free gift).
  + Focus on getting new members by highlighting what club has to offer.

**Schedule/Time Sheet:**

* Carol will work on schedule/time sheet based on the one Peg did for MSP show.

**State Fair:**

* Have received enough volunteers to take a booth for the club (THANK YOU!).
* Would like to schedule for Sunday, September 1st. **UPDATE** since meeting-this date was not available so schedule for Saturday, August 31st.
* Carol will follow up with volunteers to confirm date and get time slot preference.

**Small Dog Club Helpers:**

* Kathy Knoles (FB manager for this program) was sent the necessary information about the club and contacts. Still waiting to hear.
* Patty P. confirmed they handle this as donations and the club gets 80%/Kathy 20% once all donation slots are filled and winner is picked.
* Danielle suggested we look more into this program, if it actually falls into “gambling” and how it stands with MN rules. Carol will look into this.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Terrier Specialty 2025 and Beyond:**

* Explore doing a 2-day show (Thursday and Friday).
* Start search for judges for future.

**PERFORMANCE:**

Erin provided the group with a detailed presentation on the very popular event-Fast CAT:

* Provided us with information from the AKC website about Lure Coursing, CAT, and Fast CAT, and what is required for you and your dog to be able to participate.
* Shared 2 fun videos from members, Annette Thompson, and Danielle Edwards, showing their dogs in action.
* Provided a link on the AKC website: <https://www.apps.akc.org/apps/event_calendar/> for people to search for events in the area.
* Members truly enjoyed the presentation, many expressed they would love to try it, and thanked Erin for doing such a fabulous presentation!
* Erin will post the presentation on our FB page.
* Her next presentation will be during our 7/25 Members Meeting-can’t wait to see what it will be about.

**MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS:**

**2nd Reading:**

* Linda Terry-St. Paul, MN, Cairn Terriers-Sponsored by Kari, and Carol. Donna motioned to accept as new member, Kari 2nd. All Ayes.

**CONGRATULATIONS and WELCOME TO THE CLUB LINDA!**

**1st Reading:**

* Sarah Class-Nowthen, MN, American Staffordshire Terriers-Sponsored by Brenda H., and Donna.Second reading will take place during the next General Membership Meeting on 7/25.

Kari motioned to adjourn meeting, Patty P. 2nd. Meeting adjourned at 8:29pm.