

The Bulldog Club of Greater Seattle
Monthly Meeting Minutes – July 13, 2019 – Berliner Pub, Renton, WA

Members Present: Citty Brugalette, Tricia and Len Whitney, Cathy and David Harrington, Paula Brockney, Mia Carper, Joan Johnson, Sandy Fisher, Rod and Sue Gjelfe, Melanie Trichler, Tamara Marcotte, Jeff and Wynn Ryman.

Guests: Shirley R. Thompson, James Major, Kathy Repsumer (Bulldog Haven NW), Darrel Sunde, Shay O'Connell.

Educational Instruction: None

Meeting Called to Order: 1:06 PM

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING:

REPORTS OF THE OFFICERS:

Report of President: David Harrington:

Report of Vice President: Trish Whitney:

Report of Secretary: Brian Nolan:

Report of Treasurer: Sandy Fisher:

Net Income is \$812.15. Balance of account is \$13115. Recent expense: Slobberfest reservation \$270.00.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Activities (Citty and Mia)

Our activities discretionary budget is \$500.00. This can be used for BCGS Functions and replenishment can be voted on if/as needed.

Website (Citty Brugalette & Aline Emery):

Citty is looking to add benefits of membership to the webpage.

We're also looking to add a listing of approved colors to be added on our website. Information will be vetted in accordance with BCA and AKC breed standards.

Monthly 'spotlight on your dog' field to be added for members to add brags and information regarding their Bulldogs.

Social Media (Mia Carper): Gentle reminder that Facebook is a tool for conversations from chair person. Negative comments through social media won't be propagated by or sponsored by the club. We also will try to keep advertising out of the feed as it's not sponsored by the club.

Legislation Liaison (vacant):

Newsletter (Tamara Marcotte): **Reminder that newsletter is now quarterly.**

Tamara noted that the newsletter would be out by the end of the month.

Vacant Committees: Advertising, Bulltique, Public Education, Ways and Means

ELECTION OF NEW MEMBERS: Joanne Waite and Keith & Lynne Hagen – voted in during this meeting.

ELECTION OF NEW BREEDERS TO THE BREEDER REFERRAL PROGRAM: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Member application modification: Breeder referral modifications.

Kissing Booth for Breed Booth: Cathy is working to set this up for specialty show.

August 2019 BCGS Specialty Show, continued:

Volunteers Needed: Volunteers are still needed for many of the committees that help make the Specialty Show a success. If you are interested in helping out, please contact Winn Ryman at winnryman@gmail.com.

Advertising:

Trophies and Ribbons: If you are interested in sponsoring the trophies and ribbons, please contact Joan Johnson. There is also a form on the Facebook page listing all available categories or you can go to www.paypal.me/BCGSdonation and make a donation. Your name will appear in the Show Catalog for each category you choose to sponsor.

During this month's meeting Joan discussed having ribbons made up without dates. Any over runs or left overs can be repurposed if date is left off.

Total ribbon donations to date is \$565.00 total.

Judge's Gifts: Tamara Marcotte is handling this and a \$150 budget has been approved.

Judges gifts are \$50.00 gift cards and a BCA Lapel pin.

Saturday Night Dinner and Seminar: Anna Sullivan is coordinating the dinner. Dr Cindy Smith, DVM will be holding a seminar on bulldog breeding. More details to come.

Auction (Anna Sullivan): The auction will feature silent auction tables with new, unique items, each day along with a fabulous Last Chance Raffle. This year we are focusing on a few (10-15 from each club) new or pristine, and unusual items for the auction. If you have an item for the auction or need more information, please contact me at bulldogams956@gmail.com or 360-464-4514. I can pick up items if you are in the South Puget Sound area. If not, you can take a good photo of the item and, with a written description and its value, then send that on to me so we know what we have to offer. And then just bring the item to the auction desk at the show. Deadline for donations (or letting me know that you are donating) is Aug. 1.

Auction Volunteering – I am asking for help from four volunteers for the auctions on Sat., Aug. 3 and Sunday, Aug. 4 in the morning and afternoon (about 3 hours each shift).

BCA Fundraiser: Jeff Ryman is asking all members to start collecting donations of bottles for the BCA fundraiser bottle toss...unopened wine and beer bottles, dog shampoo, etc.

Red Lion Room quota: The room quota has been met.

Hospitality: Winn needs hospitality help such as bringing drinks, baked goods and fruit (doesn't need to be cut up).

Show themes: Glory Days is the overall theme for the shows. Fridays them will be "Faded" so please dress in casual jeans. Saturday's theme will be "Born in the USA" so please dress in Red, White and Blue. Sunday's theme is "Pink Cadillac" so please dress in your favorite shade of pink.

Friday night Dinner and Seminar: BCGS is sponsoring a no host dinner and free seminar featuring Dr. Cindy Smith, DVM. There are limited spaces available. The seminar will include the following topics: Preserving the family jewels, dealing with Male Infertility.

Factors that contribute to fertility in the stud dog and supplementation.

New considerations for neutering.

Infertility in the Bitch: Improving litter size and puppy health.

How to optimize fertility in your bitch.

New consideration for sexual altering.

We need to get this information to everyone. Post on Facebook and website, include in newsletter.

Trick Dog Certification: Kim Dailey will be at the show on Saturday afternoon to offer Trick Dog certifications.

Other activities at the show: Silent auctions each day. Corn hole tournaments on Friday and Saturday evenings. Outdoor moving showing of "Best in Show" on Friday evening. Ice cream Sunday Bar on Saturday evening. Many hospitality offerings on Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

Rally and Obedience Trial –December 2019: Jeff and Winn Ryman would like to add a day to the rally and obedience trial for a BCA Nationals fundraiser. Jeff will find a judge and just want to clear it with the club. Jeff will be training someone in Oregon to do the same thing. This is something all the other clubs in Division 5 are going to be doing as a fundraiser. The paperwork for these shows has been submitted. The AKC Fees of \$100.00 (\$50 per show) have been paid and submitted for reimbursement.

Portland BCGS/OSBC Rose City Specialty Show 2020: Jeff Ryman asked the club if we would like to co-sponsor this event as we did in January 2019. The dates are January 10 & 11, 2020 and we would need to secure a judge.

Linda Borden Best Puppy Award:

Laura Haney's 100.00 / year endowment running out at the end of this year. This will be the last year for this endowment.

Update: AKC does not need to approve a member sponsored award. This was voted on and approved, potentially to be renamed "Best Puppy Award".

NEW BUSINESS:

Slobberfest will be on the 14th of September this year. Looking to do 11am to 3pm for event. Venue is Marymoor Park, North shelter.

Member Application Modification:

Discussion on rewording our application to read "Do you have a bulldog and what kind?" in place of current "Do you have a bulldog and how many?" Discussion centered on our club being a club to promote

Bulldog breed (and allow other variations, such as French, Olde English, American to be represented by their own clubs).

This is completed: Sandy is updating member application master.

For January show (2020) – Do we as a club want to continue to participate in the Oregon State Bulldog Club Specialty Show in Portland? Do we have the volunteers needed to support. More discussions to be held at a future meeting.

BCGS Specialty Show 2020:

Show Chairperson: The club is looking for someone that would like to be the Show Chairperson for this show.

Tabled until after specialty show.

Co-host with Oregon Club: Do we want to co-host with Oregon again?

Judges: We already have the Tinsley's (?)

Date and Venue:

Theme:

Upcoming Events and Dates/Venues:

Meetings:

July:

August:

September: Saturday, September 14th after Slobberfest

October: After Halloween Party

November:

December: At Christmas Party

Special Events:

Slobberfest (Sandy Fisher): Location is Marymoor Park's North Shelter. Date is confirmed as Saturday, September 14, 2019. The event will start at 11:00 am and we will have the shelter for the entire day.

Sandy has signed up the event as an AKC Responsible Dog Ownership Day. We will need raffle basket items for Slobberfest.

Sandy is seeking donations from member for raffle.

Halloween Party: Looking at Pawsabilities, 10/27.

Christmas Party: Santa is available – Bed and Biscuit is site, scheduled for 12/14.

Proposed special events: Ice Cream Social, Summer Picnic/BBQ, Bulldog Walk

NEW APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP: Shirley Thompson

NEW BREEDER REFERRAL APPLICATIONS: None

MEETING ADJOURNED: 2:45pm

UPCOMING SHOWS AND EVENTS:

Next BCGS Meeting will be at Slobberfest, September 14th.