

The Bulldog Club of Greater Seattle
Monthly Meeting Minutes – May 16, 2020 – Virtual Zoom Meeting

Members Present: Citty Brugalette, Mia Carper, Sandy Fisher, Brian Nolan, Len & Trish Whitney, Steve & Tracy Sheridan, Dave Harrington, Joan Johnson, Ashley Wall

Educational Instruction: None

Meeting Called to Order: 1:15 p.m.

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING:

REPORTS OF THE OFFICERS:

Report of President: David Harrington: Thank you everyone for coming to today's meeting. We don't know when we will be able to meet in person but I can't wait to get together.

Report of Vice President: Trish Whitney: N/A

Report of Secretary: Citty Brugalette: N/A

Report of Treasurer: Sandy Fisher: We got a refund from Marymoor Park since we cancelled our May event and we paid Patricia Shaw \$350 for her Specialty show services performed through cancellation.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Activities (Mia Carper and Citty Brugalette): We hope to be able to have an event once Phase 3 of Governor Inslee's Safe Start Plan opens.

Website (Citty Brugalette): Member vet recommendations have been added to the website under the "Resources" tab. The home page of the website needs to be re-coded in order to make the new pictures fit better. Ashley Wall suggested that the home page be switched back to the original photo.

Public Education (Ashley Wall/Cathy Harrington): Are there any topics we can put on the website or on Facebook? A potential topic is how Europe is outlawing the breeding of brachy breeds.

Social Media (Mia Carper): How often should the Question of the Week be posted? Change to monthly or keep weekly?

Newsletter (Vacant): Steve Sheridan might be willing to try his hand on doing the newsletter.

Breeder Referral Committee (Joan Johnson): The letter regarding changes to the breeder referral program is ready to go. However, this will not go out yet as it was decided the program would remain the same through 2020. Renewals for the program should be done in conjunction with member renewals each year. You must be a member with BCGS for 2 years before you are eligible for the breeder referral program.

Legislation Liaison (Brian Nolan): N/A

Vacant Committees: Advertising, Ways and Means

ELECTION OF NEW MEMBERS: N/A

ELECTION OF NEW BREEDERS TO THE BREEDER REFERRAL PROGRAM: N/A

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Breed Booth: N/A

New BCGS merchandise (Aviator Bulldog): Sample tote bags have been ordered. Shirts would consist of unisex/women's/long sleeve. Due to the graphic design, a white shirt would look the best and that is what would be ordered but we can also do a pre-order/special order for a few select other colors. Sandy Fisher will get pricing on the tote bags and shirts. Citty Brugalette will look into coffee mugs or other drinkware to put the design on.

Bullycon Merchandise: If anyone would like to purchase a t-shirt or sweatshirt, please contact Sandy Fisher at treasurer@bulldogclubofgreaterseattle.com to place an order. Mia will make a post on Facebook. Pricing does not include shipping costs, buyer will need to pay for shipping.

Event Locations: Paws-Abilities has closed so we will need to find a new location for our Halloween Party in 2020. Kent Family Dog (phone call and email were sent, never heard back) was mentioned as a possible venue and other locations should be looked at. Sammamish Valley Grange (\$110 an hour Saturday; \$75 an hour Sunday – 3 hour minimum), Cascade Kennels were also mentioned and need follow ups. It was discussed that as a last resort, we could have the Halloween party at Win-Star Bed & Biscuit (where the Christmas party is held). Citty Brugalette will reach out to Sammamish Valle Grange to see if they have a special rate for non-profits.

Junior Handlers: Dave is looking for suggestions on how to promote this. AKC has a survey out regarding Junior Participation in the Sport (only 1 survey response per Club). Does anyone know of any 4H groups? Members can send the 4H groups a letter stating they have a dog(s) available. Dog needs to be co-owned with a junior.

Vet recommendations: Do you love your vet? Are they familiar with the Bulldog breed? If so, please email their name and location to Citty Brugalette at cbrugalette@gmail.com so they can be added to our list of Veterinarian Recommendations on our website.

Activities for 2020:

Paint Your Pet at Wine and Design in Snohomish: POSTPONED. Once the venue is back open for events, we will contact everyone who previously signed up and paid with a new date and information.

Ice cream social: POSTPONED.

Grooming class: TBD. Jay Serion has agreed to teach a grooming class.

Fun Match/Potluck BBQ/Handling class in Sammamish: TBD. Joan Johnson will host a fun match at her house that will be combine with a potluck BBQ. Jay Serion will teach a handling class if his schedule permits.

September – Slobberfest: Tentative date is scheduled for September 12. Bulldog Haven NW will co-host again. We are looking for volunteers to help with this event as well as items to be donated for raffle baskets.

October - Halloween Party: TBD.

December – Christmas Party: TBD.

BCGS Specialty Show 2020: CANCELLED.

BCGS Specialty Show 2021:

Show Chairs: Sandy Fisher and Citty Brugalette

Date and Venue: Hotel RL Olympia on July 30, July 31 and August 1, 2021.

of Shows: A motion was made and approved to have 6 shows in 2021.

Judges: Joan Johnson and Dave Harrington will put together a list of potential judges.

Show Theme: The Show theme is BullyCon and Superheros.

Advertising: The 2020 flyer will be updated to reflect 2021 information.

Trick Dog Certification: We would like to offer this again.

Best Puppy Award: Tamara Marcotte is supporting this award for five years with a \$100/year endowment. Tamara would like to keep the name as the Linda Borden Puppy Award. Does the Club still want to pay for the engraving? How many slots are left?

Vendors: Will be accepting show vendors. Limit to 3-5 vendors due to space. Del Thornton with Rose City Pet Gear will be invited and BCGS will also have a booth. Any other potential vendors?

Sponsors: Dave Harrington will check with Northwest Naturals to inquire if they will sponsor in 2021. Ashbaugh Beal will sponsor \$250. Does anyone know of any other companies that would be interested in sponsoring? Sponsors will be recognized in catalog. Do we want to recognize anywhere else?

Catalog Advertising: We would like to offer catalog advertising this year.

Auction/Raffles: Anna Sullivan is the Auction Chair. Need items to be donated from members and vendors.

Fundraisers: Pot of Gold and Beer/Wine Pull.

Merchandise: The club has placed an order for Bullycon T-shirts, Crewneck Sweatshirts, Hoodies and Zip-Up Hoodie Sweatshirts. The Zip-ups will have the BCGS logo on the front and will be offered to members first.

Volunteers Needed: There are many volunteer opportunities available.

Hotel room: We will provide hotel information.

Superhero Parade: Looking at having a Superhero parade where the dogs and owners can show off their superhero apparel.

NEW BUSINESS:

Breeder Scam: There are breeders scamming people out of money. Mia Carper will post a warning on Facebook.

NEW APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP: Julie Sterling

NEW BREEDER REFERRAL APPLICATIONS: N/A

MEETING ADJOURNED: 2:45 p.m.

UPCOMING SHOWS AND EVENTS:

Monthly Meetings:

June 20 at 1:00 p.m. via Zoom

July 11 at 1:00 p.m. at TBD

September 12 at 2:00 p.m. after Slobberfest (date subject to change) TBD

October 17 at 1:00 p.m. at TBD

November 7 at 1:00 p.m. at TBD

Special Events:

TBD

Shows (the below shows may or may not go forward as scheduled):

Sequim: July 4-6

Enumclaw: August 15-16

Chehalis: September 12-13

Kennewick: September 25-27

Cashmere: October 17-18

Monroe: November 14-15