

The Bulldog Club of Greater Seattle
Meeting Minutes – September 24, 2022 – Berliner Pub

Members Present: Mia Carper, Anthony Ortega, Citty Brugalette, Anna Sullivan, Brian Nolan, Ed & Keith Trautmann, Joan Johnson, John Barry, Suzi & Abby Crickmore

Guests: N/A

Educational Instruction: N/A

Meeting Called to Order: 3:21 p.m.

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING: Approved

REPORTS OF THE OFFICERS:

Report of President: Joan Johnson: I am happy we are meeting in person and hope this continues. Thank you to everyone that came to Slobberfest. It was one of the best Slobberfest's I have seen.

Report of Vice President: Trish Whitney: Absent. Nothing to report.

Report of Secretary: Citty Brugalette: I received an email on September 10 from the Tacoma Kennel Club stating that they have moved their venue to a park in Graham, WA and changed their show dates to July 22, 23, and 24. They also invited BCGS to do a specialty on Friday or a supported entry.

- Motion was made, seconded and approved to do a supported entry.

I received an email on September 16 from AKC regarding Update to Clubs – September 2022: Rule Modifications Approved by the AKC Delegate Body at its September 2022 meeting. I forwarded the email to all club members on September 19.

I received an email on September 22 from a woman whose grandparents, Eugene and Dorthy Ellis, were very involved in the Club up to the late 80's. She has numerous vintage trophies, figurines, books, magazines, etc. that they accumulated over the years and asked if the Club would be interested in the items. I replied and told her yes. We will make arrangements to pick up the items.

- It was decided that after the items are picked up, BCGS would potentially do a memorial trophy or some sort of memorial on behalf of Eugene and Dorthy Ellis.

Report of Treasurer: Sandy Fisher: Slobberfest was a great event. The income was as follows: \$685 for auction/raffle, \$435 in Aviator shirt/mug sales, \$149 in Bullycon shirt sales, \$70 in Slobberfest towels/shirt sales and donation of \$9. We received 3 new member applications. Bulldog Haven NW will be sending us \$235 (\$200 for ½ of the BBQ sales and \$35 for ½ of the park rental fee. These amounts were adjusted for Comfortabull sponsorship applied to the rental fee and BHNW volunteer donating all the BBQ food/supplies). Thank you to everyone that helped out and came and had fun.

Current balance in checking/PP/petty cash is \$16,450.24 with \$1,016.50 earmarked for the 2023 Nationals.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Activities (Citty Brugalette/Anna Sullivan): Slobberfest was a huge success. We had great weather and a great turnout. The Halloween party is on October 15 at Win-Star in Tacoma. I will be on vacation and out of the state so Mia will take the lead in chairing the party. The Christmas party will be on December 17 at Ed & Keith's house. This will be for humans only.

Website (Citty Brugalette): If anyone is available to help with maintaining and updating the website, please let me know.

Public Education (Gail Harris/Citty Brugalette/Joan Johnson/Suzi & Abby Crickmore): Gail Harris absent – nothing to report.

Social Media (Mia Carper): I am going to start requesting pictures again for the Facebook page but the only people that respond are non-members.

Suggestions for things to post on Facebook were educational posts and doing a tip of the week.

Newsletter (Vacant):

Membership Committee (Ed Trautmann, chair/Ana Sullivan/Keith Trautmann/Trish Whitney/Joan Johnson): Nothing to report.

Breeder Referral Committee (Joan Johnson): Nothing to report.

Legislation Liaison (Brian Nolan): AKC is deeply concerned about language in the recently passed House version of the FY 2023 Agricultural Appropriations bill that would reduce opportunities for collaboration and education between USDA and breeders regulated by the federal Animal Welfare Act. Citty Brugalette will email more information to all members.

ELECTION OF NEW MEMBERS: Alexandra Seal & William Robinson

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

BCGS Specialty Trophy: TABLED. It has been decided that BCGS will hold off on debuting this trophy until the 2023 Specialty show at Nationals. This will allow time for a name to be chosen and to finalize the details.

- Motion was previously made and approved to do trophy for Best Bred-By.
- Suggestions for a name for the trophy are a Legends Trophy, Randy Rudyk and Melanie Trichler. Dewey Ritter and Cathy Revell were suggested at the March meeting.

Mentor Program for New Members (Keith Trautmann): I have been busy with work but will start working on finalizing the flyer.

2023 Nationals: Joan Johnson will be the show chair. Please let Joan know if you have any interest in volunteering on a committee. BCGS will need a lot of support.

- There are still gaps in the committee list that need to be filled in.
- Most committee have chairs. You must be a BCA member to chair a committee.
- Do we want to do another See's Candies fundraiser for Nationals?
 - Motion made, seconded and approved. Need to decide what the proceeds will go towards (Nationals or for the BCGS specialty?)
 - Proceeds made will go towards the BCGS Specialty.
 - Sandy Fisher to compare proceeds from winter and spring fundraisers we did to see which was more profitable:
 - On 6/3/21 we got a check for 464.80
 - On 1/5/22 we got a check for 634.15
- Motion was made, seconded and approved to do See's Candies fundraiser in both the winter and spring.

Specialty in January (Dave Harrington): The Frenchie Club is having a specialty in January at the Puyallup shows. Does BCGS want to have a generic specialty and share the judge with the Frenchie Club?

- Dave Harrington will gather more information and report back.
 - Elaine Lessig would be the judge. She is an all-breed judge. BCGS cost would be \$200.
 - What do we stand to make on entries?

Motion was made, seconded and approved to not do a specialty in January in conjunction with the Puyallup all-breed show.

Activities for 2022:

Halloween Party – October 15, 2022 at Win-Star in Tacoma.

Christmas Party: December 17, 2022 – party will be at Ed & Keith Trautmann's house and will be for humans only. Wear an ugly Christmas sweater!

NEW BUSINESS:

Nominating Committee: The Board met on September 13, 2022 and nominated John Barry, Trish Whitney and Keith Trautmann to serve on the Nominating Committee for the 2023 election of Officers and Directors. The Nominating Committee will meet no later than October 15, 2022 and will email Citty Brugalette with their nominations. Additional nominations may be made at the November meeting.

NEW APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP: Julie Dow, Terry & Jolene Holloway, Steph Poole, Hank Walker & Laura Tucker, Anthony Wanzer

NEW BREEDER REFERRAL APPLICATIONS: N/A

MEETING ADJOURNED: 4:31 p.m.

UPCOMING SHOWS AND EVENTS:

Monthly Meetings:

October 25, 2022 - Zoom

Special Events:

Halloween Party: October 15

Christmas Party: December 17

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

9/29 – 10/2: Kennewick

10/21 – 10/23: Cashmere

10/29: Ridgefield

11/4 – 11/6: Central Point, OR

11/19 – 11/20: Monroe

12/2 – 12/4: Ridgefield

REMINDERS:

Bullycon/Seattle Aviator Merchandise: If anyone would like to purchase any merchandise, please contact Sandy Fisher at treasurer@bulldogclubofgreaterseattle.com to place an order. Pricing does not include shipping costs, buyer will need to pay for shipping.

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.

Tote Bags: If you would like to order a personalized tote bag, please email Citty Brugalette at cbrugalette@gmail.com.

OSBC Applications: Please contact either Joan Johnson (joanjohnson915@hotmail.com) or Citty Brugalette (cbrugalette@gmail.com) if you would like an application emailed to you.