

The Bulldog Club of Greater Seattle
Meeting Minutes – May 16, 2023 – Zoom

Members Present: Joan Johnson, Nancy & Dennis Piccolotto, Ed Trautmann, Citty Brugalette, Sandy Fisher, Jay Serion, Brian Nolan, Mia & Ron Carper, Dave & Cathy Harrington, Kate Jack, Sherri Feeney, Alex Seal, Suzy Holleran

Guests: Laura Tuttle

Educational Instruction: N/A

Meeting Called to Order: 7:32 p.m.

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING: Approved.

REPORTS OF THE OFFICERS:

Report of President: Joan Johnson: Nothing to report.

Report of Vice President (Suzy Holleran): Nothing to report.

Report of Secretary: Citty Brugalette: On April 26, 2023 I received an email from AKC regarding AKC Specialty Clubs: Know your Limits! I forwarded the same to all members on April 26, 2023. On April 27, 2023 I received an email from AKC regarding AKC Financial Update to Clubs. I forwarded the same to all members on April 27, 2023.

On May 5, 2023, I received an inquiry through the website asking about membership and is considering the possibility of breeding her female but wants to learn and talk to others. I explained she needs 2 current members to sponsor her in order for her to join BCGS and told her attending a meeting or event is a great way to meet us. She hopes to attend the summer picnic.

On May 11, 2023 I received an inquiry through the website asking how to join the Club and sign up for the meet up. I emailed back stating he needs 2 current members to sponsor him in order for him to join the BCGS and invited him to attend a meeting or event.

Report of Treasurer: Sandy Fisher: Winning bid proceeds from the FB auction was \$1,857.39. There were \$54 in PayPal fees and \$314 in postage. Net proceeds were \$1,489. Assets are \$20,536 with a little over \$1,000 earmarked for Nationals and \$2,028 earmarked for the BCGS Specialty.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Activities (Citty Brugalette, chair/Anna Sullivan): We will be having our annual fun match at Joan's house on August 26, 2023. Don't forget to RSVP for the June 24 summer picnic.

Website (Citty Brugalette): I updated the website with the amended Bylaws which adds in the junior membership provision.

Public Education (Jay Serion): Nothing to report.

Social Media (Jay Serion, Chair/Ashley Wall/Michele Hawk/Kate Jack): Kate Jack: I will make a post about Bulldog Haven's Bulldog Ball, the Running with the Bulldogs at Emerald Downs and photos from the Lyden shows on the Instagram page.

Newsletter (Vacant): N/A

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

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

Legislation Liaison (Brian Nolan): The following bills were approved and signed by the Governor: HB 1234, HB 1424, HB 1077 and HB 1208.

ELECTION OF NEW MEMBERS: Laura Tuttle

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

2023 Nationals (Joan Johnson): Things are progressing. We have a good committee. If anyone is interested in helping out, please let me know.

Storage (Joan Johnson): We are starting to outgrow the trailer and are accumulating a multitude of items including decorations, show stuff, ring equipment, etc. The Frenchie club has a member in Graham that has a barn with stalls. She has offered to let BCGS park the trailer there and use a stall if we help repair the roof damage caused by a fallen tree.

- Dave Harrington will keep us posted.
 - There is a lot of room for storage but will need help with repairs.

2024 BCGS Specialty Show Judges: We need to start compiling a list of potential judges for our 2024 Specialty.

Good Sportsmanship Award in honor of Trish Whitney: If we are going to do a Good Sportsmanship Award in conjunction with our Specialty shows, we will need to come up with a list of parameters as to how the award is given and what will qualify to receive the award. This award will be limited to our Specialty each year. Another option is to dedicate a Member of the Year award to be given at the end of each year.

2023 BCGS Specialty Show dedication to Trish Whitney: We will dedicate our 2023 Specialty Show to Trish in the catalog and premium list. We will also do a verbal dedication at the start of the show.

- We will ask those interested to wear purple for the BCGS Specialty show in honor of Trish.

Activities for 2023:

Running with the Bulldogs at Emerald Downs: June 11, 2023.

Summer Picnic: June 24, 2023 at the Fort Nisqually Shelter at Pt. Defiance Park.

Fun Match: August 26, 2023 at Joan Johnson's house.

BCA National Week and BCGS Specialty: September 10 – 16, 2023 in Olympia, WA.

NEW BUSINESS:

2023 AKC National Championship (Suzy Holleran): William Seal is qualified for juniors the National Championship so maybe we can help support him financially through donations/sponsorships to help him attend.

- Personal donations with a BCGS match up to a certain amount was suggested.
- Suzy Holleran will contact AKC to check the on the rules.

New merchandise – scarves (Keith Trautmann): Absent. Will be on the agenda for the June meeting.

NEW APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP: Sariah Brumet

NEW BREEDER REFERRAL APPLICATIONS: N/A

MEETING ADJOURNED: 8:04 p.m.

UPCOMING SHOWS AND EVENTS:

Monthly Meetings:

June 15 - Zoom

Special Events:

6/11/23 – Running with the Bulldogs

6/24/23 – Summer Picnic

8/26/23 – Fun Match

9/10-9/16 – BCA Nationals Week and BCGS Specialty

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

5/19 – 5/22: Lynden

6/24 – 6/25: Canby, OR

7/8 – 7/10: Puyallup

7/22 – 7/23: Graham
7/28 – 7/30: Sequim
8/12 – 8/14: Enumclaw
8/18 – 8/20: Enumclaw
9/10 – 9/16: Olympia (BCA Nationals and BCGS Specialty)
9/15 – 9/17: Chehalis
9/28 – 10/1: Kennewick
10/20 – 10/21: Cashmere

REMINDERS:

BCGS 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.