

The Bulldog Club of Greater Seattle
Meeting Minutes – July 20, 2023 – Zoom

Members Present: Joan Johnson, Len Whitney, Citty Brugalette, Laura Malato, Anna Sullivan, Kendyl Gosser, Ed Trautmann, Nancy & Dennis Piccolotto, Suzy Holleran, Sherri Feeney, Jay Serion, Michele Hawk, Brian Nolan, Mia Carper, Alex & William Seal

Guests: Kim Gosser

Educational Instruction: Prior to the start of the meeting, Jay Serion discussed the judging process in the show ring.

Meeting Called to Order: 7:15 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: I received an inquiry through the website on June 20, 2023 from someone asking for information on Dewey Ritter's bloodlines and bulldogs he bred. I responded and gave her Claudia Brown's information.

I received an email from AKC on June 29, 2023 regarding Update to Clubs – June 2023. I forwarded same to all members on June 29.

I received an inquiry from the website from someone asking how to become a member. I responded and invited them to participate in a meeting and/or upcoming event.

Report of Treasurer: Sandy Fisher: Only activity was the \$328 reimbursement for the expenses of the April Facebook Auction and the \$550 Insurance Renewal Premium.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Activities (Citty Brugalette, chair/Anna Sullivan): The fun match is scheduled for August 26 at Joan and John's house in Sammamish. Please remember to RSVP so we can get a headcount for food. I have started the Slobberfest planning with Bulldog Haven. I have a couple vendors signed up. If anyone would like to help with this event, let me know.

Website (Citty Brugalette): I updated the Activities page with the fun match flyer and posted the May meeting minutes.

Public Education (Jay Serion): Nothing to report.

Social Media (Jay Serion, Chair/Ashley Wall/Michele Hawk/Kate Jack): Content has been good. We now have 2,268 likes (January was 2,235) and 2,414 followers (January was 2,353) on our Facebook page and 95 followers 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): AKC supports the Healthy Dog Importation Act which is trying to find solutions to the importation of unhealthy dogs into the US. AKC opposes HR 1788 (Goldie's Act) and HR 1624 (Puppy Protection Act) which will restrict and limit the activities of dog breeders.

ELECTION OF NEW MEMBERS: Kim Gosser – motion made, seconded and approved.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

2023 Nationals (Joan Johnson): Cheryl Knapp still needs ring steward help for Sunday and Monday for the performance events. The hotel cutoff is coming up so get your reservations made in order to get the group rate. We are doing the auction differently this year and instead of having items out all day, there will be items set up at each event. If anyone has any unique items to contribute, please contact Anna Sullivan. Jay Serion will find out if the Charitable Fund intends on setting up an auction table. We need volunteers to help man the gallery. There will be 2 rooms set up so need 1 person in each room.

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.

2023 AKC National Championship (Suzy Holleran): William Seal is qualified for juniors at the National Championship so maybe we can help support him financially through donations/sponsorships to help him attend. Joan Johnson spoke to Cindy Stansell and there is no issue with a club supporting a junior financially. Michele Hawk will set up a Go Fund Me account for donations and BCGS will donate an amount to be determined.

BCGS Specialty 2024 (Jay Serion): I will be sending the judges their contracts.

Activities for 2023:

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

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

Slobberfest: September 30 at Marymoor Park.

Halloween Party: TBD

Christmas Party: TBD

NEW BUSINESS: N/A

NEW APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP: N/A

NEW BREEDER REFERRAL APPLICATIONS: N/A

MEETING ADJOURNED: 8:21 p.m.

UPCOMING SHOWS AND EVENTS:

Monthly Meetings:

8/23/23 – 7:00 p.m. via Zoom

Special Events:

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):

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.