

**The Bulldog Club of Greater Seattle**  
**Meeting Minutes – August 24, 2023 – Zoom**

**Members Present:** Joan Johnson, Citty Brugalette-Ortega, Ed & Keith Trautmann, Mia & Ron Carper, Dave & Cathy Harrington, Suzy Holleran, Anna Sullivan, Nancy & Dennis Piccolotto, Jay Serion, Michele Hawk, Alex Seal

**Guests:** N/A

**Educational Instruction:** Prior to the start of the meeting, Jay Serion discussed the 2023 AKC point schedule and how to calculate champion and grand champion points.

**Meeting Called to Order:** 7:25 pm

**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-Ortega:** I received an email from AKC on 7/21/23 regarding July 2023 Update to Clubs. I forwarded the same to all members on 7/21/23.

I received an inquiry through the website on 8/21/23 from Bellevue College whose mascot is the Bulldog. They host a weekly event in October called BC Bulldog Days (formerly their homecoming) and would love if some of our members and bulldogs could come one of the days to do a meet and greet and photos with the students. It would be great if we can pull together at least 5 people/bulldogs to attend this event.

**Report of Treasurer: Sandy Fisher:** Absent. Report sent to Citty Brugalette-Ortega: The only activity was a \$50 trophy donation for the club's specialty show from SW Oregon Bulldog Club.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Activities (Citty Brugalette-Ortega, chair/Anna Sullivan):** We have Slobberfest on September 30, the Halloween party will be on October 22 at Win-Star in Tacoma. Anna Sullivan will be chairing the Halloween party this year. There will be a costume contest, bobbing for hot dogs and chili with all the fixings and cornbread and sides will be served for lunch this year. Ed and Keith Trautmann have volunteered to host the Christmas party again this year.

**Website (Citty Brugalette-Ortega):** Nothing to report but if anyone is able to help with maintaining the website, please let me know.

**Public Education (Jay Serion):** Nothing to report.

*Social Media (Jay Serion, Chair/Ashley Wall/Michele Hawk/Kate Jack):* Nothing to report.

*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):* Absent.

**ELECTION OF NEW MEMBERS:** N/A

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

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

*2023 Nationals (Joan Johnson):* Everything is coming along. We are getting the catalog ready to print. We have a good group of volunteers but if anyone is interested in helping with anything, please let me know. Entries closed on Wednesday and the numbers are good. A reminder that Chehalis pulled their Bulldogs from their all-breed shows on Friday and Saturday so I recommend if anyone can show on Sunday, please do. BCGS has a supported entry that day.

*Storage (Joan Johnson):* **TABLED.** 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.

- Michele Hawk is working with Alex Seal to get a bank account set up for the money to go to for the Fo Fund Me.

*BCGS Specialty 2024 (Jay Serion):* Nothing to report.

*Activities for 2023:*

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

**Slobberfest:** September 30 at Marymoor Park.

**Halloween Party:** October 22 at Win-Star Bed & Biscuit

**Christmas Party:** TBD

**NEW BUSINESS:**

***Trish Whitney memorial award (Joan Johnson):*** The Good Sportsmanship award in Trish's memory was originally recommended but then we discussed doing a Member of the Year award instead. I think we should go back and do a Good Sportsmanship award instead and then we can still do a Member of Year award as we have done in previous years. This year the Good Sportsmanship award will go to Trish Whitney and then we will come up with the criteria for who gets it for upcoming years. A motion was made, seconded and approved that the Trish Whitney memorial award will be for good sportsmanship.

**NEW APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP:** N/A

**NEW BREEDER REFERRAL APPLICATIONS:** N/A

**MEETING ADJOURNED:** 8:12 pm

**UPCOMING SHOWS AND EVENTS:**

Monthly Meetings:

9/26/23 – 7:00 p.m. via Zoom

Special Events:

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

9/20/23: Slobberfest

10/22/23: Halloween party

TBD: Christmas party

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

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

10/28 – 10/29: Ridgefield

11/3 – 11/5: Central Point, OR

11/17 – 11/19: Monroe

## **REMINDERS:**

***BCGS Merchandise:*** If anyone would like to purchase any merchandise, please contact Sandy Fisher at [treasurer@bulldogclubofgreaterseattle.com](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:cbrugalette@gmail.com).

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