

The Bulldog Club of Greater Seattle
Monthly Meeting Minutes – June 22, 2019 – Berliner Pub, Renton, WA

Members Present: David Harrington, Cathy Harrington, Sandy Fisher, Mia Carper, John Barry, Joan Johnson, Tamara Marcotte, Rod and Sue Gjeffe, Len and Tricia Whitney, Suzy and Abby Crickmore, Brian Nolan, Anna Sullivan.

Guests: None

Educational Instruction: None

Meeting Called to Order:

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING:

REPORTS OF THE OFFICERS:

Report of President: David Harrington:

Dave started meeting with a discussion how well the group is working together and gave a thank you to all concerned.

Report of Vice President: Trish Whitney:

Report of Secretary: Brian Nolan:

Report of Treasurer: Sandy Fisher:

Net income for year is \$1082.00. Club has made \$1250.00 for T-shirts year to date. Trophy donations are \$465.00 for the year. Expenses equal \$751.00 for the specialty show (advertising, AKC Fees, judge expense).

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Website (Citty Brugalette & Aline Emery):

Changes that the board has approved to the website. The following comments are from Citty:

Activities: I have updated this tab with past and future 2019 events. Let me know if you want to add "Show Information" to this tab and I can list dates and locations for future shows.

Bulldog Information: This tab was formerly Bulldog "Puppies" but has been changed to Bulldog Information. I changed the 1st sub-category to "Bulldog Standard." I was thinking we could change "Bulldog Puppies" to "Education" and provide a variety of links to information on the breed that could help educate people.

Members: I have updated the Newsletters and Meeting Minutes with what Sandy, Mia and Tamara have provided

Organization: I have added the Mission Statement. I changed some of the text in "General Information". I changed around "Membership" I have updated the names of the Officers and Board Members and will update this page with photos once I get them from Tamara. I have added in the Club By-Laws.

Resources: I removed the "Reading" and "Seminars" tabs as they were empty. The "Superintendents" tab is still there so let me know if you want to keep it. I thought we could add a "Contact Us" form here or just list all of the email addresses for the officers and board members and also include a link to the Club's Facebook page.

Galleries Page: Do we want to add a "Galleries" tab with show photos, "fun" Bulldog photos and a memorial page to pay respect to members' dogs that have passes.

Home Page: I would like to update the home page with the slideshow of different Bulldog photos with little informational wording next to each photo. Some examples could be who our members are, events that we host and our goals as a club. We would need four photos. Any thoughts on which to use?

Any other suggestions or ideas?

Social Media (Mia Carper):

Legislation Liaison (vacant):

Newsletter (Tamara Marcotte): **Reminder that newsletter is now quarterly**

Vacant Committees: Advertising, Bulltique, Public Education, Ways and Means

ELECTION OF NEW MEMBERS: None

ELECTION OF NEW BREEDERS TO THE BREEDER REFERRAL PROGRAM: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Running with the Bulldogs at Emerald Downs on June 9th: There was a great bulldog turnout and everyone seemed to have a wonderful time. 21 bulldogs! And the Bulldog beat the Beagle and the Frenchie in the Final Race! We sold 20 Running with the Bulldog t-shirts/hoodies/crews for a total of \$670. We also got two new member applications. We should provide Emerald Downs with some feedback to help improve next year's event.

International Dog Show in Enumclaw on June 15th and 16th:

Kissing Booth for Breed Booth: Any update?

Division V Slate of Officers for the 2019 election: This is a BCA Division V election year. Per the BCA Constitution and By-laws, the Division V Board members make up the nominating committee for this election each odd-numbered year. Our current Division V Board members met on February 17, 2019 to discuss and nominate by majority vote one resident member of Division V for each of the officer, governor and councilor positions. These nominations were approved as the official Division V slate of officers for the 2019 election: President: Linda Kilgore; Vice President: Joan Johnson; Secretary: Jeff Ryman; Treasurer: Beth Stephenson; Governors: Missi Hanson, Cathy Harrington, Janice O'Neill, Erica Peters, Winn Ryman; Councilors: Ed Harris, Neil Koeniger

At this time, each BCA Division V Member Club has the opportunity to make additional nominations. No nominations were made at the May meeting. Do we have any nominations to submit?

August 2019 BCGS Specialty Show:

Dave is handing out a letter from the Show Chairs, Winn Ryman and Beth Stephenson

Volunteers Needed: Volunteers are still needed for many of the committees that help make the Specialty Show a success. If you are interested in helping out, please contact Winn Ryman at winnryman@gmail.com.

Advertising:

Trophies and Ribbons: If you are interested in sponsoring the trophies and ribbons, please contact Joan Johnson. There is also a form on the Facebook page listing all available categories or you can go to www.paypal.me/BCGSdonation and make a donation. Your name will appear in the Show Catalog for each category you choose to sponsor.

During this month's meeting Joan discussed having ribbons made up without dates. Any over runs or left overs can be repurposed if date is left off.

Linda Borden Best Puppy Award: Laura Haney's \$100.00 / year endowment running out at the end of this year. This will be the last year for this endowment.

Judge's Gifts: Tamara Marcotte is handling this and a \$150 budget has been approved.

Saturday Night Dinner and Seminar: Anna Sullivan is coordinating the dinner. Dr Cindy Smith, DVM will be holding a seminar on bulldog breeding. More details to come.

Auction (Anna Sullivan): The auction will feature silent auction tables with new, unique items, each day along with a fabulous Last Chance Raffle. This year we are focusing on a few (10-15 from each club) new or pristine, and unusual items for the auction. If you have an item for the auction or need more information, please contact me at bulldogams956@gmail.com or 360-464-4514. I can pick up items if you are in the South Puget Sound area. If not, you can take a good photo of the item and, with a written description and its value, then send that on to me so we know what we have to offer. And then just bring the item to the auction desk at the show. Deadline for donations (or letting me know that you are donating) is Aug. 1.

Auction Volunteering – I am asking for help from four volunteers for the auctions on Sat., Aug. 3 and Sunday, Aug. 4 in the morning and afternoon (about 3 hours each shift).

BCA Fundraiser: Jeff Ryman is asking all members to start collecting donations of bottles for the BCA fundraiser bottle toss...unopened wine and beer bottles, dog shampoo, etc.

Rally and Obedience Trial –December 2019: Jeff and Winn Ryman would like to add a day to the rally and obedience trial for a BCA Nationals fundraiser. Jeff will find a judge and just want to clear it with the club. Jeff will be training someone in Oregon to do the same thing. This is something all the other clubs in Division 5 are going to be doing as a fundraiser.

Portland BCGS/OSBC Rose City Specialty Show 2020: Jeff Ryman asked the club if we would like to co-sponsor this event as we did in January 2019. The dates are January 10 & 11, 2020 and we would need to secure a judge. Do we as a club want to continue to participate in the Oregon State Bulldog Club Specialty Show in Portland? Do we have the volunteers needed to support. More discussions to be held at a future meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Member Application Modification: Discussion on rewording our application to read “Do you have a bulldog and what kind?” in place of current “Do you have a bulldog and how many?” Discussion centered around our club being a club to promote Bulldog breed (and allow other variations, such as French, Olde English, American to be represented by their own clubs).

BCGS Specialty Show 2020:

Show Chairperson: The club is looking for someone that would like to be the Show Chairperson for this show.

Co-host with Oregon Club: Do we want to co-host with Oregon again?

Judges: We already have the Tinsley’s (?)

Date and Venue:

Theme:

Upcoming Events and Dates/Venues:

Meetings:

July: July 13, 2019 at the Berliner Pub in Renton

August:

September: Saturday, September 14th after Slobberfest

October: After Halloween Party

November:

December: At Christmas Party

Special Events:

Slobberfest (Sandy Fisher): Location is Marymoor Park’s North Shelter. Date is confirmed as Saturday, September 14, 2019. The event will start at 11:00 am and we will have the shelter for the entire day.

Sandy has signed up the event as an AKC Responsible Dog Ownership Day. We will need raffle basket items for Slobberfest.

Halloween Party: Looking at Pawsabilities, either 10/13 or 10/27 to avoid Seahawk conflicts.

Christmas Party: No date but last year’s venue at Bed and Biscuit worked well. We should ask if Ed Harris’s friend who played Santa is available.

Proposed special events: Ice Cream Social, Summer Picnic/BBQ, Bulldog Walk

NEW APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP: Joann Waite and Keith & Lynne Hagen. Read out during monthly meetings, voting next month.

NEW BREEDER REFERRAL APPLICATIONS: None

MEETING ADJOURNED:

UPCOMING SHOWS AND EVENTS:

Next BCGS Meeting will be in July. Date and location to be determined.