

The Bulldog Club of Greater Seattle
Monthly Meeting Minutes – July 11, 2020 – Zoom Meeting

Members Present: Joan Johnson, Mia Carper, Dave and Cathy Harrington, Steve and Tracy Sheridan, Sandy Fisher, Brian Nolan, Trish and Len Whitney, Jeff Ryman

Educational Instruction: N/A

Meeting Called to Order: 3:00 p.m.

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING:

REPORTS OF THE OFFICERS:

Report of President: David Harrington: Thank you everyone for coming and thank you to the Board for coming to the Board Meeting earlier today.

Report of Vice President: Trish Whitney: Thanks for coming and I can't wait to be able to get together soon.

Report of Secretary: City Brugalette: I received an email inquiry from someone with Full Circle asking if we are accepting vendors for Slobberfest. I forwarded the email to Mia Carper as Slobberfest chair and she advised that we are accepting vendors but am waiting to find out if our event will be going forward and we will be in contact as soon we have more information. Email from AKC - The AKC Board of Directors approved a recommendation to allow clubs licensed for obedience and/or rally to hold two Special Event Obedience Trials and two Special Event Rally Trials per year.

Report of Treasurer: Sandy Fisher: Insurance Policy is up for renewal in August so I will be renewing that. The fee remains the same at \$550.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Activities (Mia Carper and City Brugalette): Mia Carper is working on getting a puppy playdate scheduled. There is a park in her HOA that would work for a small group.

Website (City Brugalette): N/A

Public Education (Ashley Wall/Cathy Harrington): Once things start to go back to normal, we can try to get some educational speakers to come to a meeting.

Social Media (Mia Carper): N/A

Newsletter (Vacant – Steve and Tracy Sheridan???): This has been a learning experience for Steve and Tracy and they will work on putting together the fall newsletter. Thank you for doing a great job on the summer edition.

Breeder Referral Committee (Joan Johnson): N/A

Legislation Liaison (Brian Nolan): N/A

Vacant Committees: Advertising, Ways and Means

ELECTION OF NEW MEMBERS:

ELECTION OF NEW BREEDERS TO THE BREEDER REFERRAL PROGRAM:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Breed Booth: N/A

New BCGS merchandise (Aviator Bulldog): An email was sent to all members showing the 3 designs we have for shirts, mugs/tumblers and tote bags and asked for feedback. Sandy Fisher and Citty Brugalette are looking into setting up a BCGS “store” through Teespring where numerous items and designs can be sold and ordered/shipped directly through Teespring.

Bullycon Merchandise: If anyone would like to purchase a t-shirt or sweatshirt, please contact Sandy Fisher at treasurer@bulldogclubofgreaterseattle.com to place an order. Mia will make a post on Facebook. Pricing does not include shipping costs, buyer will need to pay for shipping.

Event Locations: Paws-Abilities has closed so we will need to find a new location for our Halloween Party in 2020. Kent Family Dog (phone call and email were sent, never heard back) was mentioned as a possible venue and other locations should be looked at. Sammamish Valley Grange (\$110 an hour Saturday; \$75 an hour Sunday – 3 hour minimum), Cascade Kennels were also mentioned and need follow ups. It was discussed that as a last resort, we could have the Halloween party at Win-Star Bed & Biscuit (where the Christmas party is held). Sammamish Valley Grange does not offer a special price for non-profits.

Junior Handlers: Dave is looking for suggestions on how to promote this. AKC has a survey out regarding Junior Participation in the Sport (only 1 survey response per Club). Does anyone know of any 4H groups? Members can send the 4H groups a letter stating they have a dog(s) available. Dog needs to be co-owned with a junior.

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.

Specialty January 2021: Jeff Ryman asked Dave if BCGS would be interested in holding a specialty show in conjunction with the all-breed and French Bulldog Specialty in January 2021 in Puyallup. BCGS would have to split the fee for Baray and the judge. BCGS would need a ring steward. Joan Johnson spoke to Yolanda with AKC and confirmed we can host a generic show in January without it affecting our specialty show in July/August. The Club has decided to move forward with this event. Dave is in contact in getting this scheduled.

Activities for 2020:

Paint Your Pet at Wine and Design in Snohomish: This event has now been re-scheduled to November 7, 2020. Updates will be provided to those who previously signed up and paid.

Ice cream social: **TBD.**

Grooming class: **TBD.** Jay Serion has agreed to teach a grooming class.

Fun Match/Potluck BBQ/Handling class in Sammamish: **TBD.** Joan Johnson will host a fun match at her house that will be combine with a potluck BBQ. Jay Serion will teach a handling class if his schedule permits.

September – Slobberfest: Tentative date is scheduled for September 12. Bulldog Haven NW will co-host again. We are looking for volunteers to help with this event as well as items to be donated for raffle baskets. Sandy Fisher received pamphlets from AKC to be put in the goodie bags.

October - Halloween Party: **TBD.**

December – Christmas Party: **TBD.**

BCGS Specialty Show 2021:

Show Chairs: Sandy Fisher and Citty Brugalette

Date and Venue: Hotel RL Olympia on July 30, July 31 and August 1, 2021.

of Shows: A motion was made and approved to have 6 shows in 2021.

Judges: Joan Johnson and Dave Harrington will put together a list of potential judges. Sandy Fisher will mail the 2021 contract to George Lai. We are looking for a husband/wife combo to replace the Praegers

Show Theme: The Show theme is BullyCon and Superheros.

Advertising: The 2020 flyer will be updated to reflect 2021 information.

Trick Dog Certification: We would like to offer this again.

Best Puppy Award: Tamara Marcotte is supporting this award for five years with a \$100/year endowment. Tamara would like to keep the name as the Linda Borden Puppy Award. Does the Club still want to pay for the engraving? 4 slots are left. 2019 best puppy needs to be added (who won?).

Vendors: Will be accepting show vendors. Limit to 3-5 vendors due to space. Del Thornton with Rose City Pet Gear will be invited and BCGS will also have a booth. Any other potential vendors?

Sponsors: Dave Harrington will check with Northwest Naturals to inquire if they will sponsor in 2021. Ashbaugh Beal will sponsor \$250. Does anyone know of any other companies that would be interested in sponsoring? Sponsors will be recognized in catalog. Do we want to recognize anywhere else?

Catalog Advertising: We would like to offer catalog advertising this year.

Auction/Raffles: Anna Sullivan is the Auction Chair. Need items to be donated from members and vendors.

Fundraisers: Pot of Gold and Beer/Wine Pull.

Merchandise: The club has placed an order for Bullycon T-shirts, Crewneck Sweatshirts, Hoodies and Zip-Up Hoodie Sweatshirts. The Zip-ups will have the BCGS logo on the front and will be offered to members first.

Volunteers Needed: There are many volunteer opportunities available. Trish Whitney's daughter has volunteered to be a ring steward.

Hotel room: A group booking link will be set up once we are less than a year out. The hotel can accommodate late check out for those who will need it. If you anticipate needing a late check out, please let the hotel know when you book your room.

Superhero Parade: Looking at having a Superhero parade where the dogs and owners can show off their superhero apparel.

NEW BUSINESS:

Canopy: The Board met on July 11, 2020 and approved the purchase of another 10x20 canopy. Sandy Fisher ordered and it will be delivered to Ashley Wall's house.

NEW APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP: N/A

NEW BREEDER REFERRAL APPLICATIONS: N/A

MEETING ADJOURNED: 3:58 pm

UPCOMING SHOWS AND EVENTS:

Monthly Meetings:

August 22 at 1:00 p.m. via Zoom

September 12 at 2:00 p.m. after Slobberfest (date subject to change) TBD

October 17 at 1:00 p.m. at TBD

November 7 at 1:00 p.m. at TBD

Special Events:

TBD

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

Enumclaw: August 15-16

Chehalis: September 12-13

Kennewick: September 24-27

Boise, ID: October 8-11 (2 days have been cancelled)

Cashmere: October 16-18

Ridgefield: October 25-26

Coeur D'Alene, ID: October 31-November 1

Central Point, OR: October 31-November 1 (SOWB Specialty)

Monroe: November 14-15

Bow: December 6 (Rally)