

The Bulldog Club of Greater Seattle
Monthly Meeting Minutes – January 16, 2021 – Zoom Meeting

Members Present: Joan Johnson, John Barry, Mia & Ron Carper, Citty Brugalette, Anthony Ortega, Ed & Keith Trautmann, Trish & Len Whitney, David & Cathy Harrington, Anna Sullivan, David Lafferty, Sandy Fisher, Suzi Crickmore, Brian Nolan

Educational Instruction: N/A

Meeting Called to Order: 1:01 p.m.

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING: Approved.

REPORTS OF THE OFFICERS:

Report of President: Joan Johnson: Thank you everyone for attending, I am thrilled to see everyone today.

Report of Vice President: Trish Whitney: It's nice to see everyone today.

Report of Secretary: Citty Brugalette: BCGS, AKC and BCA/Division V websites have all been updated with the 2021 board of director's.

Report of Treasurer: Sandy Fisher: We had a loss of \$3,175 for the 2020 calendar year. We purchased 2 canopies in 2020 which cost \$1,100. We spent \$3,000 on Bullycon merchandise and have sold \$1,564 worth. We have about \$3,000 (resale value) of Bullycon merchandise left as well as \$1,200 (resale value) of miscellaneous inventory. To date we have received 42 of 61 member renewals.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Activities (Citty Brugalette/Mia Carper): We had our Christmas card exchange, ornament exchange and Secret Santa Paws exchange. We had a good amount of members that participated and it went well. This will become an annual event as long as members are interested and we have enough people to participate.

Website (Citty Brugalette): Amended bylaws have been posted and board of director's page has been updated.

Public Education (Vacant): N/A.

Social Media (Mia Carper/David Lafferty): A post will be made reminding members to renew their membership.

Newsletter (Suzi/Abby Crickmore): Still need to go through everything and look at past newsletters and just jump in and put one together.

Breeder Referral Committee (Joan Johnson): N/A.

Legislation Liaison (Brian Nolan): There is nothing to report in Washington. In Michigan, they are removing certain breed limit restrictions.

ELECTION OF NEW MEMBERS: N/A

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Breed Booth: The Tacoma show is scheduled for April 2021.

- If show goes forward, vendors may not be permitted due to Covid.

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. Pricing does not include shipping costs, buyer will need to pay for shipping. A post advertising our merchandise was recently made on the FB page. An email was recently sent out to all members advertising the merchandise.

- Mia Carper will advertise the merchandise on Facebook.

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.

BCGS Online Auction: An online auction was suggested by Anna Sullivan. David Lafferty has agreed to assist in running it on the BCGS Facebook page with Anna's assistance. Ed Trautmann has volunteered to help.

- Auction will be held January 23 – 30, 2021 on Facebook.
 - Do we want to just do 3-4 days? – No, keep it at 1 week.
- David Lafferty will build a template for the auction on Facebook.
 - Bids will be made in the comments.
 - Payments shall be made via Paypal.
 - Shipping costs will be included in bid. Possibility for “local” meet up to deliver items.
- Include the Bullycon sweatshirts as a “Buy It Now.”
 - Sandy Fisher will send photos and details to David Lafferty so he can include in the auction.
- Citty Brugalette has sent emails to all members asking for donations and photographs of items.

Amendments to the Bylaws: AKC has the amended Bylaws and other necessary documents on file and the Bylaws went into effect immediately after approval at November 21, 2020 meeting.

Activities for 2021:

Online Auction: BCGS is having their first online auction via Facebook.

Virtual Happy Hour: A virtual happy hour for St. Patrick's Day was suggested.

BCGS Specialty Show 2021:

Show Chairs: Sandy Fisher and Citty Brugalette

Date and Venue: **NEW DATES:** Hotel RL Olympia on August 6, August 7 and August 8, 2021.

of Shows: A motion was made and approved to have 6 shows in 2021. We will also have NOHS, 4-6 month puppy and sweeps. Juniors will also be offered.

Judges: The Show Committee is actively working on securing judges.

Show Theme: The Show theme is BullyCon and Superheros.

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

- Save the Date ad in full color will be submitted prior to January 15, 2021 deadline for the Bulldogger Spring 2021 edition.

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?).
 - Citty Brugalette emailed Jeff Ryman to find out who won Best Puppy in 2019. No response received.
 - Who else would know who won Best Puppy?

Vendors: **TBD DEPENDING ON COVID.** 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?

- Dave Harrington emailed the NW Naturals contact to confirm they are still interested. No response received.
 - Citty Brugalette reached out to NW Naturals and they cannot commit at this time as to whether or not they can be a sponsor due to Covid. They will see how things are in a few months.
- Dave Harrington reached out to Royal Canin and they would potentially be interested in being a sponsor but they want to be the only food company. RC will not do monetary sponsorship unless they can come to the show. They have offered up to 40 prizes.
 - If NW Naturals will not commit or are not interested, we will pursue RC.

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.

Volunteers Needed: There are many volunteer opportunities available.

Hotel room: A group booking link will be set up. 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. For RV spots, you will have to call the hotel directly as their online system is not set up for those reservations.

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

Division: The Division is giving us the Division shows so we may need to reach out to them to make sure we get the plaque and anything else we need.

- Need to get medallions.
 - Contact Janice O'Neill in June/July.

AKC Paperwork: Applications have been submitted to AKC and are pending.

Superintendent: Patricia Shaw was to be the show superintendent for 2020. It is unknown if she is still working. Baray has experience handling a show during Covid.

- Joan Johnson will contact Baray and get a quote on their fees.
 - Do we want to use Baray as superintendent?
 - BCGS can supply the ribbons which will lower the cost.
 - If BCGS has its own show secretary, that will lower the cost as well.
- David Harrington will contact Patricia Shaw to see if she is still working in 2021.

NEW BUSINESS: N/A.

NEW APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP: Jay Serion, Cindy Mozingo, Jenifer Dayal.

NEW BREEDER REFERRAL APPLICATIONS: N/A.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 2:43 p.m.

UPCOMING SHOWS AND EVENTS:

Monthly Meetings:

February 13 at 1 pm – via Zoom

Special Events:

TBD

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

April 17 – Moses Lake