

The Bulldog Club of Greater Seattle
Meeting Minutes – July 17, 2021

Members Present: Joan Johnson, John Barry, Trish & Len Whitney, Citty Brugalette, David & Lisa Lafferty, Anna Sullivan, Ed & Keith Trautmann, Ron & Mia Carper, Sandy Fisher, Suzi & Abby Crickmore

Educational Instruction: N/A

Meeting Called to Order: 2:30 p.m.

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING: Approved.

REPORTS OF THE OFFICERS:

Report of President: Joan Johnson: We had great participation at today's event. Thank you everyone for contributing. We had new people and got new members.

Report of Vice President: Trish Whitney: Thank you everyone for coming out today. It was nice to get together.

Report of Secretary: Citty Brugalette: N/A

Report of Treasurer: Sandy Fisher: We have a net income of approximately \$4,000. Net from fundraisers is about \$3,000. Liability insurance premium renewal was \$550. Balance is \$16,767.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Activities (Citty Brugalette/Mia Carper): A bowling for Bulldogs event was suggested.

- Tech City Bowl in Kirkland is an option.

Website (Citty Brugalette): N/A

Public Education (Vacant): N/A

Social Media (Mia Carper): We posted a photo on the Facebook page about standard bulldog colors and undesirable/fad colors that most people liked but it offended some of the followers. BCGS responded to the post stating that "BCGS is committed to do everything in its power to protect the Bulldog breed and promote its interests and advancement through education relating to responsible ownership and breeding. We urge members and breeders to accept the standard of the breed as sanctioned by The Bulldog Club of America and approved by The American Kennel Club."

Newsletter (Vacant): N/A

Breeder Referral Committee (Joan Johnson): N/A

Legislation Liaison (Brian Nolan): N/A

ELECTION OF NEW MEMBERS: N/A

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

BCGS Patches: Does the Club want to invest in getting patches made?

- Mia Carper got a quote from Screen Printing NW.
 - Approximate 3x3 round patches - \$9.00 each for 50 and \$8.40 each for 100.
 - The BCGS logo has been digitized for future use.
- Suzi Crickmore mentioned that Cloth Tattoo/Patchworks Embroidery in Woodinville might be able to mass produce patches at a lower cost.

BCGS Trophy: It was suggested that we start a new tradition and get a big trophy we can display at our Specialties and engrave it each year.

- Will review further for 2022 shows.

Membership Committee: It was suggested a membership committee be put together to think of ideas and ways to bring in new members. Is there a BCA rule that states each applicant has to have 2 current members sign off for them? The committee will consist of:

- Ed Trautmann (committee chair)
 - Anna Sullivan
 - Keith Trautmann
 - Trish Whitney
 - Joan Johnson
- From Ed Trautmann: We go far beyond what AKC minimums require and BCA does not publish guidelines for local clubs. If we do want to change our membership rules, we would have to change the bylaws via a vote and then update AKC with the changes.

Activities for 2021:

Paint Your Pet: November 13, 2021 from 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. at Pinot's Palette in Federal Way. Registration is now open.

Slobberfest: September 18, 2021 at Marymoor.

- Mia Carper will chair.
- Bulldog Haven NW will co-host again.
- Velodrome Shelter instead of North Shelter

Halloween Party – October 24, 2021: Halloween party will be at Win-Star.

Christmas Party – December 11, 2021: Ed & Keith Trautmann have offered to host the Christmas party at their house for 2021. This will be a member only event. No dogs.

- Ugly sweater theme.

BCGS Specialty Show 2021:

Show Chairs: Sandy Fisher and Citty Brugalette

Date and Venue: **NEW DATES:** Olympia Hotel at Capitol Lake (formerly known as 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 4-6 month puppy and sweeps. Juniors will also be offered.

Judges: Judges have been secured and contracts are signed.

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 was submitted for the Bulldogger Spring 2021 edition.
- Flyer has been emailed to all members and has been posted on the Facebook page and on the website.

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.

- 2019 best puppy needs to be added.
 - Jester Bomber's Memphis Bella (Erica Peters) won best puppy in 2019. Trish Whitney will have the trophy updated.

Vendors: Del Thornton and Suzy Holleran will be vendors. BCGS will also have a table to sell merchandise.

Sponsors: NW Naturals has declined being a sponsor for 2021.

Catalog Advertising: Catalog advertising was offered.

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

- We have approximately 40 items so far.

Fundraisers: Pot of Gold and Beer/Wine Pull. Need items donated for both fundraisers.

Merchandise: Bullycon T-shirts, Crewneck Sweatshirts, Hoodies, Zip-Up Hoodie Sweatshirts and Aviator Bulldog shirts and mugs/tumblers will be for sale. All Bullycon merchandise will be discounted.

Volunteers Needed: There are many volunteer opportunities available.

Hotel room: 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. The group rate is good through July 1, 2021.

Superhero Parade/Costume Contest: The Club has decided to not hold this but encourage dressing up and decorating crates.

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.

- Joan Johnson is making arrangements to pick up trophies and other items from Beth Stephenson.

NEW BUSINESS:

Ring Equipment: The Club would like to purchase new ring equipment from BaRay. Approximate cost is \$1,100. Motion made and approved to purchase equipment.

BCGS Trailer: The trailer needs annual maintenance done and new tires. Ashley Wall has volunteered to take the trailer to Les Schwab.

NEW APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP: Dr. Faith Bult, Liz Chapman, Rachel Cockburn, Amy Lee, Juli Brooke Leete, Dave & Jen Yocum.

NEW BREEDER REFERRAL APPLICATIONS: N/A

MEETING ADJOURNED: 4:00 p.m.

UPCOMING SHOWS AND EVENTS:

Monthly Meetings:

Special Events:

Slobberfest: September 18, 2021

Halloween Party: October 24, 2021

Paint Your Pet: November 13, 2021

Christmas Party: December 11, 2021

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

7/24 – 7/26: Portland, OR

7/29 – 8/1: St. Paul, OR (Rose City)

7/30 – 8/1: Sequim

8/6 – 8/8: Olympia (BCGS Specialty)

8/14 – 8/15: Enumclaw (Sammamish Kennel Club)

8/21 – 8/22: Enumclaw (Olympic Kennel Club)

9/9 – 9/12: Roseburg, OR

9/18 – 9/19: Chehalis

9/30 – 10/3: Kennewick

10/30 – 10/31: Ridgefield

11/20 – 11/21 – Monroe

REMINDERS:

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.

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.