

**The Bulldog Club of Greater Seattle**  
**Meeting Minutes – December 14, 2021 – Via Zoom**

**Members Present:** Mia Carper, Ed Trautmann, Trish & Len Whitney, Joan Johnson, Citty Brugalette, Anna Sullivan, Suzy Holleran, Brian Nolan, Sandy Fisher, Jay Serion, Dave & Cathy Harrington

**Guests:** N/A

**Educational Instruction:** N/A

**Meeting Called to Order:** 7:04 p.m.

**CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING:** Approved.

**REPORTS OF THE OFFICERS:**

***Report of President: Joan Johnson:*** Nothing to report.

***Report of Vice President: Trish Whitney:*** Nothing to report.

***Report of Secretary: Citty Brugalette:*** I received an email from AKC on November 17, 2021 containing a PDF regarding Managing Club Finances. If any members are interested in this document, please let me know and I will email it to you. On November 18, 2021, I received an email from AKC regarding email “phishing” scams that are going around purporting to be from club members and officers. If anyone receives an email from anyone associated with BCGS asking for money or gift cards, please do not click on any links and do not reply to the email. Delete the email immediately and let me know in a separate email.

***Report of Treasurer: Sandy Fisher:*** We have had 19 member renewals so far (carryover not included) and \$320 in member dues, \$185 for rescue and several general fund donations. Current balance is \$16,593.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

***Activities (Mia Carper/Citty Brugalette):*** Mia Carper will reach out to Postdoc Brewing for a February event.

***Website (Citty Brugalette):*** I will start working on updating the website with the 2022 AKC shows.

***Public Education (Vacant):*** N/A

***Social Media (Mia Carper):*** Nothing to report.

***Newsletter (Vacant):*** N/A

***Membership Committee (Ed Trautmann, chair/Ana Sullivan/Keith Trautmann/Trish Whitney/Joan Johnson):*** Ed Trautmann has been looking for sponsored meet ups. Anna Sullivan plans on going to a local meetup this weekend to check it out.

**Breeder Referral Committee (Joan Johnson):** A motion was made to send an email to the members regarding renewing their applications and asking if anyone would like to be part of the program. There will need to be qualifications to get on the list. Renewals will be done every 2 years and there will be no charge to be in the program.

- Joan Johnson will email the renewal forms to all members.

**Legislation Liaison (Brian Nolan):** The USDA and APHIS announced the final adoption of a rule, effective January 3, 2022, that requires licensees under the federal Animal Welfare Act (AWA)—including breeder/dealers, research facilities, intermediate handlers, and carriers—to establish emergency/contingency plans in the event of a natural or manmade disaster or other business interruption.

**ELECTION OF NEW MEMBERS:** Beverly Hughes

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

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**BCGS Specialty Trophy:** Joan Johnson has a trophy guy nearby she can talk to and see what he can do for us.

- Would the Club want to do a trophy for Best of Breed or Best Bred-By? It would be for one specialty show per year.
  - Motion made and approved to do trophy for Best Bred-By.
- This will be tabled until December/January. Everyone should think of someone who has contributed big in the bulldog community that we can name the trophy after.
  - Suggestions made are a Legends Trophy, Randy Rudyk and Melanie Trichler.

**2022 Facebook Auction:** Dates for auction will be 1/15/22 – 1/22/22 with deadline of 1/5/22 for donations. David Lafferty will assist Anna Sullivan and David will run the auction on Facebook. Please email Anna Sullivan at [bulldogams956@gmail.com](mailto:bulldogams956@gmail.com) no later than 1/5/22 with photos and descriptions of items you have to donate.

**Aviator Merchandise:** A pre-order will be done for sweatshirts and t-shirts. We will hold off on ordering more tumblers/mugs until we have an in-person event.

- Citty Brugalette and Sandy Fisher are working on a flyer for pre-orders.
- Merchandise will launch at the beginning of January.

**New location for in-person meetings:** The goal will be to hold an in-person meeting in January 2022. Ed & Keith Trautmann have volunteered to find a location. This meeting will likely be for people only as it will be hard to find a location in the winter that has an outdoor covered patio for dogs.

- Ed Trautmann contacted Whistle Stop Ake House in Renton and is waiting to hear back from the owner. They have a small area for a group.

**2022 Event Calendar:** Potential events for 2022 include bowling, ice cream social, walk in an Easter parade, bulldog walk, visit a pumpkin patch, fun match, picnic/BBQ, grooming class, handling class. Running with the Bulldogs at Emerald Downs, Fast Cat, ask Cheryl Knapp to do a demo regarding tricks and agility were also suggested.

***Mentor Program for New Members:*** Keith Trautmann suggested BCGS start a mentor program for new members.

***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.

***2023 Nationals:*** Joan Johnson will be the show chair. Please let Joan know if you have any interest in volunteering on a committee. BCGS will need a lot of support.

***Activities for 2021:***

Christmas Party - CANCELLED

***BCGS Specialty Show 2022:***

Show Chair: Citty Brugalette

Date and Venue: Olympia Hotel at Capitol Lake (formerly known as Hotel RL Olympia) on August 5, August 6 and August 7, 2022.

Superintendent: BaRay. Citty Brugalette is working on getting a contract.

# of Shows: There will be 6 shows in three days. Juniors, sweeps and best puppy will be offered.

Judges: Judges have been secured and all contracts are signed.

Show Theme: Mardi Gras.

Premium List/Catalog/Catalog Advertising (Sandy Fisher):

Silent Auction (Anna Sullivan):

Hospitality (Keith Trautmann):

Judge's Gifts/Ribbons/Trophies (Joan Johnson):

Merchandise:

Fundraisers: Beer/wine pull. Ideas for other fundraisers – beaded necklace with bulldog on it; Mardi Gras themed cool coat.

Vendors: Do we want to have vendors again?

Sponsors: Northwest Naturals? They previously offered a \$1,500 sponsorship for 2020 shows.

Educational Seminar: We did not have a seminar in 2021. Do we want to try and put something together for 2022? Do we want to ask Purina to do an Ask the Vet? Health clinics?

Volunteers: There are many volunteer opportunities available. If anyone would like to volunteer and help a committee, please contact Citty Brugalette.

Hotel: The booking link will be provided early 2022. Get your reservations in early to get the special group rate.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

***Election of 2022 Board of Directors:*** President – Joan Johnson; Vice President – Trish Whitney; Secretary – Citty Brugalette; Treasurer – Sandy Fisher; Board Members – Mia Carper, Ed Trautmann & Jay Serion.

- Motion made and approved.

***Ring Equipment:*** UKC has been disbanded and they might have the rings that we have. Would the Club like David Harrington to look into this and possibly purchasing the ring equipment from them?

- Dave Harrington will inquire on pricing and see what equipment is available.

**NEW APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP:** Wayne and Shannon Wallace

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

**MEETING ADJOURNED:** 8:24 p.m.

## **UPCOMING SHOWS AND EVENTS:**

### Monthly Meetings:

January 29 at TBD – tentative in person, location TBD

### Special Events:

Christmas Party: Cancelled

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

1/15 – 1/17/22: Puyallup

1/19/22: Portland (OSBC Specialty)

1/20 – 1/23/22: Portland (Rose City)

2/25 – 2/27/22: Albany, OR

3/12 – 3/13/22: Salem, OR

## **REMINDERS:**

***Bullycon/Seattle Aviator 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).