

**The Bulldog Club of Greater Seattle**  
**Meeting Minutes – February 15, 2022 – Via Zoom**

**Members Present:** Joan Johnson, Citty Brugalette, Mia & Ron Carper, Trish & Len Whitney, Dave & Cathy Harrington, Suzy Holleran, Suzi & Abby Crickmore, Brian Nolan, Anna Sullivan, Sandy Fisher, Jay Serion, Jeff Ryman

**Guests:** N/A

**Educational Instruction:** N/A

**Meeting Called to Order:** 7:01 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:*** Website inquiry email received on February 6, 2022 from Bailey Beard. She is the great niece of Aleta Scott who used to be the BCGS President in the late 80's. She was hoping to find information on her aunt and uncle's kennel, Scott's Dore Kennel. She is hoping to revive the kennel name and find some dogs that come from their lines. I reached out to several members and while some recall Aleta Scott, no one remembers the kennel name. A couple people recommended I contact Linda Kilgore. I reached out to Linda and she does remember Aleta and the kennel name. She sent me a couple Bulldogger ads and mentions and I sent those onto Bailey.

On February 10, 2022 I received an email from AKC regarding Board Policy Provisions Extended or Made Permanent. I forwarded this email to all members.

Website inquiry email and message through Facebook received on February 15, 2022 from a woman looking for a vet for her French Bulldog who might have a torn ligament in his right back leg. I gave her the link to the vet recommendations on our website and stated that BCGS does not endorse or approve of any vet and this was just one resource for her and she should do her own research in finding a vet.

***Report of Treasurer: Sandy Fisher:*** We made \$125 in raffle ticket sales from the I Heart My Bulldog event. We received \$20 from a new member application and have also received several membership dues since the last report. \$490 from donations received through member renewals was split and sent to Bulldog Haven NW and Pacific NW Bulldog Rescue. I paid the BCA Division dues and have sent the membership roster to BCA as they requested.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

***Activities (Citty Brugalette/Anna Sullivan):*** Thank you to everyone that came to our I Heart My Bulldog Event on Saturday. And thank you to all of the board members and club members that helped make the event happen. We had great weather and a great turn out. We also received 1 new member application. It appears we receive at least 1 new application at our events so it's important we continue to hold events to help build our membership. In order to keep having events, we need to ensure there is interest and volunteers.

**Website (Citty Brugalette):** I added a “Breeder Referral Program” page under the Members tab. I am continuing to update the AKC shows and Activities.

**Public Education (Gail Harris/Citty Brugalette/Joan Johnson):** Gail Harris has volunteered to chair the Public Education Committee with the help of Citty Brugalette and Joan Johnson. Anna Sullivan and Suzi and Abby Crickmore would also like to join the committee. Citty Brugalette has printed BCA’s updated educational pamphlets so BCGS can have them available at our events. We will continue to think of events and ideas on keeping people educated. We will also use Facebook as a platform on public education.

- Anna Sullivan mentioned that Cheryl Knapp’s son makes video so we might be able to have him put together a compilation of some sorts. Joan Johnson will reach out to Cheryl Knapp.

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

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

**Membership Committee (Ed Trautmann, chair/Ana Sullivan/Keith Trautmann/Trish Whitney/Joan Johnson):** Absent.

**Breeder Referral Committee (Joan Johnson):** Nothing to report.

**Legislation Liaison (Brian Nolan):** Nothing to report.

**ELECTION OF NEW MEMBERS:** N/A

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

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**BCGS Specialty Trophy:** Motion was previously made and approved to do trophy for Best Bred-By.

- Suggestions for a name for the trophy are a Legends Trophy, Randy Rudyk and Melanie Trichler.
- Joan Johnson met with a trophy guy and he will come up with some possible ideas on what he can do for a trophy.
  - Joan Johnson will get an update.

**New location for in-person meetings:** We are hoping to have an in-person meeting in March. Ed Trautmann is looking for locations in case the Berliner Pub is not open by then.

**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.

- There is interest in a Bulldog walk. Suggestions for location are Marymoor Park, Beaver Lake, Lewis Creek, Ruston Waterfront, Pt. Defiance Park. Anna Sullivan will reach out to Metro Parks about reserving an area at Pt. Defiance for us to meet at and do a walk.

- Joan Johnson and John Barry will host a fun match/BBQ.

***Mentor Program for New Members:*** Keith Trautmann suggested BCGS start a mentor program for new members. Keith would like to make sure all new members feel comfortable with doing stuff and would like to reach out to them about what being a member entails and about his experience with going to dog shows. Keith will email some ideas around to the Board.

***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.

***Ring Equipment:*** The UKC equipment has fallen through and is not available but Dave Harrington is working with Sharon Dykes on finding ring equipment. We specifically need cones.

- David Harrington found cones for \$39 each. Dave will get a price on boards and figure out how many cones and boards we would need to make a bigger ring.

***Virtual First Aid Class:*** Suzi Crickmore has offered to do a virtual first aid class for BCGS at no cost. People would just need to purchase the CPR Anytime Kit.

- This will be tabled until it can be done in person.

***Breed Booth:*** Tacoma Kennel Club will have breed booths at their April 23 – 24 all-breed shows. Cost is \$50 for the weekend and the deadline to submit an application is March 1.

- Does BCGS want to host a booth?
  - Motion made and approved to do a booth. Citty Brugalette will fill out the reservation form and Sandy Fisher will submit it along with fee. We will need volunteers to help host the booth. There will be morning and afternoon shifts available.

***Activities for 2022:***

***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.

# 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 and pot of gold.

- 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.

- Citty Brugalette emailed Patti Salladay who does the Sales/Marketing for NW Naturals on February 14, 2022 to inquire about a sponsorship.

Educational Seminar/Health Clinics (Jen Dayal): Heart and Patella health clinics will be offered on Saturday, August 6. Dr. Adinah Wyle from Woodinville Veterinary Hospital will give a seminar on acupuncture.

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

Hotel: The last day to book a room with the special group rate is July 21, 2022. Group code is BLD. If you need an RV reservation, please call or email Jessica Morhous directly at 360-252-0976 or [jessicam@hotelsa1.com](mailto:jessicam@hotelsa1.com).

**Slobberfest (Sandy Fisher)** – September 17, 2022 at Marymoor Park (Velodrome shelter) in Redmond. Bulldog Haven NW will participate and co-host.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

***Rehoming Bulldog Inquiry:*** Joan Johnson received an email from someone looking to adopt an adult bulldog. This has been resolved as Joan put the person in touch with someone that was looking to rehome an adult female.

***Norway Ban on breeding Bulldogs:*** Jeff Ryman did an interview earlier today with NPR's Lauren Sommer on this subject. Jeff made a point to answer the questions by referring to the Bulldog standard and by breeding to the Bulldog standard, we have healthy dogs. Jeff also talked about how important health testing is and that we learn more things with health testing. Jeff discussed responsible breeders versus irresponsible breeders and how this ban hurts the responsible breeders. Lauren was referred to the BCA website so she can read about what kinds of health testing is done by the responsible breeders. Lauren asked if changing the standard would improve a Bulldog's breathing and Jeff answered no, if you breed to the standard and do health testing, you will have a healthy dog. This interview should air within the next 3-4 weeks and a couple of Jeff's statements would be used.

**NEW APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP:** Rich & Kathy Cooper; Samantha Paznokas & Tre Ross

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

**MEETING ADJOURNED:** 8:13 p.m.

### **UPCOMING SHOWS AND EVENTS:**

Monthly Meetings:

3/19 (tentative in person, location TBD)

Special Events:

BCGS Specialty Show: August 5-7

Slobberfest: September 17

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

2/25 – 2/27/22: Albany, OR

3/12 – 3/13/22: Salem, OR

3/26 – 3/27: Bremerton, WA

4/7 – 4/8: Albany, OR (Specialty – SWOBC)

4/8 – 4/10: Albany, OR

4/16 – 4/17: Moses Lake, WA

### **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).

***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.