

The Bulldog Club of Greater Seattle
Meeting Minutes – March 19, 2022 – Whistle Stop Ale House

Members Present: Citty Brugalette, Joan Johnson, Len & Trish Whitney, Mia Carper, Brian Nolan, Gail Harris, Kim McKenzie, Cathy & Dave Harrington

Guests: Anthony Wanzer

Educational Instruction: N/A

Meeting Called to Order: 1:25 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 March 11, 2022 regarding phishing scams. I forwarded same to all members on March 11. On March 16, 2022 I received an email inquiry through the website from someone looking for a vet. I responded and provided her with the link of veterinarian recommendations that is on our website.

Report of Treasurer: Sandy Fisher: Activity since Feb 16th: Income: Membership renewal (\$20), general fund donation (\$25) Expenses: Renewal of the domain name with Powweb.com (\$16.50), Breed Booth Fee to Tacoma KC (\$100), Tacoma Park Rental Fee (\$175), Specialty Show Logo revision (\$70), purchased brochure holders (\$60.36). Net income for the year is \$1,134.99. Current balance is \$18,131.74 (BofA: \$18,081.74 and petty cash: \$50).

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Activities (Citty Brugalette/Anna Sullivan): We are working on the June 18, 2022 event. Trish Whitney suggested a bingo event.

Website (Citty Brugalette): Nothing to report.

Public Education (Gail Harris/Citty Brugalette/Joan Johnson): Gail Harris handed out the Bulldog Club of America's official statement relating to Norway's ban and the February 14, 2022 Statement from Dogs Australia which is similar to our AKC. Gail reported that she recently learned that only 6% of litters registered with the AKC are from BCA breeders. Gail asked 3 bulldog related trivia questions.

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): Email inquiries for puppies are coming in.

Legislation Liaison (Brian Nolan): H.R. 2840/S. 1385: Puppy Protection Act. This bill requires the Department of Agriculture to expand standards that govern the humane handling, care, treatment, and transportation of animals to include new requirements for commercial dog dealers. AKC objects as they think it's too broad and not specific enough as written. AKC states: While some portions of the measures include reasonable *generalized* guidelines for canine care, ***arbitrary requirements that ignore best practices for individual outcomes are not appropriate for federal mandates***. Arbitrary, one-size-fits-all requirements do not take into account the broad range of breeds and types of dogs or best health and breeding practices. They also do not allow for creative approaches that allow expert breeders and owners to provide optimal care for their individual dogs and advance the art and science of responsible dog breeding.

ELECTION OF NEW MEMBERS: Rich & Kathy Cooper; Samantha Paznokas & Tre Ross

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. Dewey Ritter and Cathy Revell were suggested at the March meeting.
 - Years ago, the club voted on a past Cathy Revell trophy that would go to whoever won the BCGS Specialty 3 years in a row.
 - Where is that trophy now?
- 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.

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.

- Any merchandise ideas for 2023?

Ring Equipment: 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.

- A motion was made and approved to purchase the additional cones. The approximate cost is \$1,086.

Breed Booth: Tacoma Kennel Club will have breed booths at their April 23 – 24 all-breed shows. BCGS submitted a reservation request to have a booth. Citty Brugalette is working on securing volunteers to work various shifts on both days. We need more volunteers.

Activities for 2022:

Summer Games/Picnic/Bulldog Walk: June 18, 2022 at Point Defiance Park – Fort Nisqually Shelter.

Fun Match: John Barry and Joan Johnson will host a Fun Match at their house. Date is TBD but will be in July.

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: Mardi Paws t-shirts.

Fundraisers: Beer/wine pull and pot of gold.

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. Citty Brugalette sent follow up email to Patti Salladay and to general email address for NW Naturals and has not received a response.
- Gail Harris will reach out to Patti Salladay.

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 after Saturday's shows.

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.

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

NEW BUSINESS:

Trophy donation to Bulldog Club of Utah Specialty Show: We have done a trophy donation in past years (missed 2021) and Utah has donated to the BCGS shows. Utah show is May 4, 2022 and deadline to send in trophy donation is April 15. Does BCGS want to send in a trophy donation?

- A motion was made and approved to send in a \$50 trophy donation.

NEW APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP: N/A

NEW BREEDER REFERRAL APPLICATIONS: N/A

MEETING ADJOURNED: 3:04 pm

UPCOMING SHOWS AND EVENTS:

Monthly Meetings:

April 16, 2022

Special Events:

Breed Booth: April 23 and April 24, 2024

Summer Games/Picnic/Bulldog Walk: June 18, 2022

Fun Match: July (TBD)

BCGS Specialty Show: August 5-7

Slobberfest: September 17

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

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

4/23 – 4/24: Tacoma, WA

4/29 – 5/1: Yakima, WA

5/5 – 5/8: Elma, WA

5/12 – 5/15: Klamath Falls, OR

5/20 – 5/23: Lynden, WA

5/28: Spokane, WA

6/18 – 6/19: Merlin, OR

REMINDERS:

Bullycon/Seattle Aviator Merchandise: If anyone would like to purchase any merchandise, 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.

OSBC Applications: Please contact either Joan Johnson (joanjohnson915@hotmail.com) or Citty Brugalette (cbrugalette@gmail.com) if you would like an application emailed to you.