

Gem City Dog Obedience Club
Board Meeting
June 2, 2014

Location: GCDOC Building

Date: June 2, 2014 – 7:00 p.m.

Board Members:

Kristin Anthony
Deb Arnold
Mary Beam
Curt Givens

Jennifer Looper
Ronalee McKnight
Pam Murn (a)
Karen Pompei

Kathy Roberts
Elaine Stoermer
Barb Swigart

1. Welcome, Opening Remarks and Call to Order
Kathy Roberts welcomed everyone and called the Meeting to order.
2. Agility Director Application
The Board received a letter from Deb Werts asking to be appointed as Agility Director for GCDOC. On a Motion by Elaine Stoermer which was seconded by Krista Anthony her request was granted.
3. Conformation Director Resignation
The Board, on a Motion by Jennifer Looper, seconded by Curt Givens, accepted with reluctance, Nancy Beeman's resignation as Conformation Director. After some discussion the Board decided that a replacement would not be recruited at this time.
4. Minutes of May Meeting Approval
The Minutes of the May meeting were approved on a Motion by Curt Givens, seconded by Deb Arnold. Barb Swigart read a letter of resignation stating she would no longer be able to do the duties of Secretary for GCDOC. Her request was accepted.
5. Treasurer's Report
Elaine Stoermer gave a detailed breakdown of the income and expenses of GCDOC and gave presented the following report:

Checking Account Balance	\$58,309.07
Outstanding Checks	<u>\$15,852.03</u>
Balance	\$42,457.04
 Chase Money Mkt. Bal 05/05/14	 <u>\$4,399.93</u>
Total	<u>\$46,856.37</u>

Following additional discussion, the Treasurer's Report was accepted by a Motion by Curt Givens, seconded by Deb Arnold.

6. Business Needing Attention
 - a) Awards Guideline Changes to Standing Rules

The Board reviewed the changes made to the Standing Rules and decided that other changes were necessary so no vote to accept the changes was taken. The additional changes will be presented at the next Board meeting for approval.

b) Northcutt Update and Next Steps

Deb Arnold reported that the outside of the building had been painted and looked very nice. Also, the excavation has been completed, the interior lights and the exit lights are in place. However, the outside lighting still needs some work. Information regarding the spouting still needs to be checked on. The sign out front is ready for new wording. The next step will be the flooring.

c) Calendar

There were no changes to the calendar at this time.

d) Communication-Newsletter and Assistance with Membership Communication

Jennifer Robinson is working on the newsletter, it is an online operation that is working well. The next newsletter will be sent June 3, 2014. Esther Kadash is working with Krista on the Welcome Packets for the Club. Krista reported that Rose Delk, Leslie Lippert and Gemmi Brickson will be voted on at the June Membership Meeting to become members of GCDOC.

7. Class Register and Directors

a) Nose Work Class Proposal

The Board, having reviewed the amended lease request from Laura Martin, Dogs on Target, LLC, agreed enter into a contract to rent its lower level space (basement) at 1654 Springfield Street, Dayton, Ohio for the following dates: Period 1, June 16 to July 28, 2014; Period 2, August 11, 2014 to September 22, 2014; Period 3, October 6, 2014 to November 10, 2014. The contract was agreed upon by a Motion of Elaine Stoermer, seconded by Deb Arnold.

b) New Class – Canine Core Fitness – What Night

Susan Fife has volunteer to conduct a Core Fitness Class free of charge to GCDOC. After discussion regarding possible dates, the Board decided that for the present the following was possible: the class would be for a four week period over the break and would be open to both Obedience and Agility; it would be held on Wednesday at a time to be determined; and, after the break it would be held on Wednesday evening after the Obedience classes.

c) Obedience Classes and Programs

Elaine reported that the premium for Obedience would still be Springfield Street. There is a need for a substitute Registrar.

d) Agility Classes and Programs

Deb Werts reported that a committee has been formed to set up the instructors courses for the next session. The major problem is finding a time that is available. There was discussion regarding this situation. Additional discussion was held regarding the Club's status in regards to its instructors. Kathy Roberts asked the Board to revisit whether the Club could continue to use Yvonne Mancino as a Guest Instructor under the current arrangement (students pay all out-of-pocket cost of Yvonne's fee (see April Minutes). She heard a great deal of push back from the Trial Committee and felt it was a mistake to end this

successful program. After discussion, it was agreed that the “guest instructor” program could continue as long as the cost to the Club was covered by class participants and that a concerted effort is in place to ensure those taking the class contribute significantly to the Club and its classes and events.

e) Conformation Classes and Programs

Karen Rheinberger is chairing the conformation show the first weekend in November.

f) Earth Dog/Other Programs

Curt Givens supplied a comprehensive report on “The State of Barn Hunt at GCDOC” in which he outlined the activities and happenings of barn hunt. He stated that the practices had been well attended and participation was enthusiastic. There are two fun tests scheduled on July 19-20. Barn hunt has been approved to go for an actual trial with the first trials being held August 30-31. Curt requested the Board’s approval to proceed with plans for the next two events to be held at the Northcutt facility. After discussion, Elaine Storemer made a Motion which was seconded by Deb Arnold that the next two barn hunt events be held at the Northcutt facility. The Motion passed. He also addressed the need to lock down dates for trials and also securing Judges for December trials. Additionally, he gave a breakdown of expenses and income regarding barn hunt.

8. Operations-Divesting of Unneeded Stuff Plans

This item was tabled until a later time.

9. Membership-Directories/Midyear Reports

Krista Anthony reported that the Directories are finished and they will be done electronically. The Mid-Year Report will be completed as soon as all hours are reported.

10) Sunshine

It was reported that Joann Jozwiak is home from the hospital, Cindy Alles should be home soon, Sandy Price had knee surgery, and Ed Wessler is suffering from cancer. Linda Rike lost two of her dogs.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned on a Motion by Krista Anthony and a second by Karen Pompei.

Respectfully Submitted

Kathy Roberts, President

Barbara Swigart, Secretary