Gem City Dog Obedience Club Board Minutes 2/11/18

Board Members Present: Carol Coffey, Sherri Heizer, Kathy Hilt, Terri Jerkes, Mary Kemphues, Brenda Marcks, Angela Profitt, Kathy Roberts, Leah Schiller, Elaine Stoermer, Charlotte Weisner, Tami Woodrow

Call to Order: 7:07 p.m. by Elaine Stoermer. Motion to approve board minutes held on 1/7/18 was made by Elaine Stoermer; Seconded by Leah Schiller. Motion passed unanimously.

Membership: - Tami Woodrow. Tami updated the current members as follows: 15 applicant; 25 associate; 23 family; 10 lifetime; 120 regular; and 2 service dogs. Membership went from 255 to 195 members for this year. Five applicant members and approved lifetime members will be voted on at the next membership meeting on March 1.

Treasurer – Kathy Roberts. Kathy provided a report of account information as of 1/31/18: Checking - \$9,154; Savings - \$14,437.42; an additional \$11,175 will be deposited on 2/12/18. Motion made by Elaine Stoermer to accept Treasurer Report; Seconded by Tami Woodrow. Motion passed unanimously.

Barn Hunt / Earth Dog— Mary Kemphues. Chris Keifer and Krista Williams are both interested in teaching Barn Hunt at GCDOC. Each will be asked to provide a proposal to the board for approval.

Registrar – Kathy Hilt. Kathy was not in attendance. Elaine reported that course registrars recently met. Registrars were reminded to notify the Head Registrars if no one registers and also to check the membership directory to ensure class attendees are members and entitled to discounted classes.

Conformation – Kathy Combs. Kathy was not in attendance, but provided her report in advance. Confirmation run throughs are continuing to be held each Wednesday with the rotating judge schedule at no cost for members and \$5.00 for non-members.

Lure Coursing – Leah Schiller. Premium has been created for the upcoming trial on April 14. Entries open on February 14 and close on April 2.

Obedience – Angela Profitt. Angela provided a concern regarding cancellation of obedience classes. Instructors are cancelling classes and not notifying the Registrar. Instructors should notify the appropriate registrar if classes need to be cancelled in order to find a substitute or arrange a make-up date.

Rally – Elaine Stoermer. Nothing new to report.

Agility – Sherri Heizer. The last Agility class is Monday, February 19. Make-up classes on Tuesday, February 20 and Wednesday, February 21. Yvonne is starting classes a week early because she will be unavailable during one week during the session. Her class will begin on Tuesday, February 27.

Old Business:

Krista contacted the board regarding the recent restriction of her dog, Parker. The current requirement is for Parker to wear a muzzle while on GCDOC premises for one year. Krista addressed concerns about the muzzle requirement disqualifying her from entering certain venues, for example, conformation. The board determined that if the event allows a muzzle, Krista will be allowed to enter her dogs.

New Business:

Membership meeting will be moved from Monday, February 26 to Thursday, March 1 at 7:30 p.m.

Dog bite occurred in Advanced Beginners class on Wednesday, January 17. Bite occurred during practice for the meet and greet exercise. Student was encouraged to contact a behaviorist and not continue in class.

Estimate for tree / shrub removal from land of \$1608.75 and removal of brush around parking lot of Northcutt of \$1287. Motion made by Kathy Roberts to accept the estimates; Seconded by Elaine Stoermer. Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Brenda Marcks