

Gem City Dog Obedience Club
Membership Minutes
3/1/18

Board Members Present: Kathy Combs, Sherri Heizer, Kathy Hilt, Terri Jerkes, Mary Kempfues, Brenda Marcks, Angela Profitt, Kathy Roberts, Leah Schiller, Elaine Stoermer, Tami Woodrow

Call to Order: 7:36 p.m. by Terri Jerkes.

President: Terri announced to the members attending that the mortgage for our Northcutt facility has been paid off.

Secretary: Motion to approve membership minutes of 11/3/17 was made by Chris Kiefer seconded by Trish Clute. Motion passed unanimously.

Membership: Tami Woodrow. Five applicant members are eligible for membership as follows: Amy Phillips; Alison Burchett; Erin Bittner; Janice Rex; Ruth Miller. Motion to approve applicant members made by Trish Clute; Seconded by Cathy Wright. Motion passed unanimously to accept applicant members. Five GCDOC members have been members for over 25 years and are eligible to become lifetime members. Proposed members as follows: John and Sigalia Cannon, Ron and Choe Schumann, Karen Rheinberger, John and Cherri Treber. Membership voted unanimously to accept all five members as lifetime members.

Treasurer – Kathy Roberts.

Barn Hunt – Mary Kempfues. Nothing new to report.

Earth Dog – Mary Kempfues. Earth dog trials will be held in May and October instead of June and November.

Registrar – Kathy Hilt. Approximately 145 dogs were registered for session one. Kathy complimented the Registrars for their work each session.

Conformation – Kathy Combs. Conformation run-throughs every Wednesday evening from 7:45 – 8:45 p.m. Eight judges rotate through each week to give students exposure to different judges. Cathy Wright volunteered to step in for Karen Rheinberger's slot.

Freestyle – Kathy Combs. GCDOC held the Freestyle Nationals during December. Over 60 dogs were entered each day. The club made approximately \$2000 for hosting the event.

Lure Coursing – Leah Schiller. The Coursing Ability trial will be held on April 14. Currently have 32 dogs in each trial.

Obedience – Angela Profitt. All Beginners, Novice, and two of the Advanced courses are full. The Tuesday night Beginners class is in need of help. UKC obedience and rally trial this weekend, March 3-4.

Agility – Sherri Heizer. Agility classes are full for next session. Agility courses will not be set up at the land this year.

Old Business:

No old business.

New Business:

Aullwood Farms is having an event on May 12 from 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. Several GCDOD members participated last year. They have requested members participate this year.

Cathy Wright addressed concerns for the Beginner Obedience classes, in particular, the age of the dogs that are registering for Beginner courses. A suggestion was made for Angela to meet with Beginner Obedience instructors to ensure teaching consistency.

Angela would like to hold a rent-a-ring before the AKC Nationals. Event would occur before the AKC Nationals to be held in Wilmington, Ohio from June 30 – July 1, 2018. Motion to hold a rent-a-ring before the AKC nationals made by Kathy Combs; Seconded by Cathy Wright. Motion passed unanimously.

Titles earned in 2018 can be entered on the GCDOD website. Chris Kiefer, web administrator, is currently working on a sign up for trials to be utilized on the web page and the ability to pay by Paypal for class registrations.

The next Membership meeting will be held on April 20. Meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Tami Woodrow. Meeting adjourned at 8:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Brenda Marcks