Gem City Dog Obedience Club Board Meeting October 1, 2012

Location: GCDOC Building Date: October 1, 2012 7:00 p.m.

Board Members:

Krista Anthony (absent)

Mary Beam Cheri Davis

Lori Genaw Curt Givens Gayle Ingram Carole Lenehan

Ronalee McKnight Maggie Melton Kathy Roberts Roberta Rupert (absent)

Jennifer Scott Elaine Stoermer

Other: Morene Stickrod

I. Welcome and Call to Order

Kathy Roberts called the meeting to order and welcomed Morene Stickrod to the meeting. Morene had requested time on the agenda to discuss the possibility of creating a Canine Cadene Award to recognize the people who have been very dedicated to this group. She had considered a number of criteria including attending practices and/or performing at events. She felt the best way to be fair would be to recognize high attendance. She considered years of participation but she does not have complete information on who have participated over the eight years the group has been in existence. She thought it would be good to mention the awards in the Banquet Program and in the Crateliner and possibly recognize a Mother/Daughter Team. There could be a new award or use the same medal that is presented for other accomplishments (high awards). Board members discussed several award possibilities such as a plaque plus bars for yearly participation. Lori noted that dogs earning their Canine Good Citizen (CGC) receive certificates and Cheri said that Pet Therapy provides "Stars" for each year of service. The Board agreed to discuss this further and would notify Morene of their decision.

II. Reports

 Secretary (Gayle Ingram)
 Curt Givens moved to accept the minutes of the September 10, 2012 board meeting. It was seconded by Mary Beam and passed unanimously.

<u>Treasurer</u> (Elaine Stoermer)

Checking

\$ 58,676.05

Savings

\$ 44,319.16

Total

\$ 97,247.66

Elaine distributed a detailed breakdown of the expenses and revenues and discussed several specific items. Last month there were a number of deposits related to trials. This month will include the expenses related to those trials plus some building maintenance.

Curt Givens moved to accept treasurer's report. It was seconded by Mary Beam and passed unanimously.

c. Membership (Krista Anthony, chair)

The board received a reminder that the Club year begins on October 1st. Maggie received a question from a person who has not yet taken her two classes and hasn't applied for membership yet. She was wondering if hours worked at the upcoming AKC trial would count toward her requirement. The board, by consensus, said those hours would count toward her required ten hours needed to apply.

d. Registrar (Carole Lenehan)

Carole reported that she won't have the final registration numbers for this Session for another week but she anticipates most classes to be full.

e. Obedience (Ronalee McKnight)

Elaine and Ronalee reported that there won't be any profit on the recent AKC Obedience trial. Expenses were higher because they lost two judges at the last minute so replacements had to be found quickly. The fees were higher for the substitute judges. Exhibitors seemed happy with the trial.

f. Agility (Maggie Melton)

Maggie reported that the AKC Agility Trial will be this weekend. Requests for workers have been sent out on the Yahoo Group and on Facebook and members are responding. Arrangements are being made to have the people go out to set up the fences.

Maggie reported that this session we are heavy on beginner, novice and intermediate students.

g. Conformation (Jennifer Scott)

Jennifer reported that the premium for the November 10 - 11, 2012 Conformation Show is posted on the UKC website. They will not have an altered class.

h. Earth Dog (Curt Givens)

Curt reported that the premium is out for the November 3 – 4, 2012 Earthdog tests. The Turkey Fry will be held on Saturday night. He noted that he will need help this Spring to bury the new dens. Curt will build them but will need help getting them into the ground.

i. Operations (Rick Roberts)

Kathy reported on several operations issues:

- Floor Stripping: Someone has been hired to strip the floor in the building. It will be done on October 21st.
- Land Clean Up for Winter: A final clean up of the Land will occur shortly.
 Three trash cans will remain out. Curt asked that the refrigerator be left on.
- Land Exterminator: Jennifer Looper was going to meet with Bug-A-Boo pest exterminator to get estimates for the buildings at the Land. No estimate has been submitted yet. Because the buildings can't be totally sealed, there will always be some insects but besides bugs there have also been sightings of mice and rats so we must arrange regular extermination practices to keep them to a minimum. It would also help if we had regular cleaning done at the Land buildings. Kathy will put out a request for members willing to do this. Kathy also asked whether to keep the two large carport tents that were used at the RDOD. Options are to sell or clean and seal in a mouse-proof container.

- <u>Building</u>: Kathy reported that the landlord has ordered additional lights. They should arrive in a few weeks. Kathy reported that she and Deb Arnold are looking into purchasing industrial ceiling / box fans for use in the back room. They are also looking into the cost of additional insulation.
- j. <u>Sunshine</u> (Cheri Davis/Joyce Osborn)
 Cheri presented the report on members who received cards, flowers, and donations made to local charities.
- k. <u>Publicity/Public Relations</u> (Cheri Davis) Cheri reported that two events were held the same day: AAA to promote traveling with pets and Opening of a Centerville Dog Park. Karen Pompei and Elaine Stoermer attended the AAA event and Lucy and Mario were featured on the AAA Facebook page.

Cheri noted that she will no longer be chairing the Public Relations Committee so someone else will need to take over. She will send an email to the Committee members to see if one of them can assume that role.

 Store (Roberta Rupert) No report.

III. Continuing Business

We are in need of someone to chair the Banquet Committee for the February 2013 event. Each year this event has grown and the expense involved has also grown although the price to attend has not been raised in three years. The Board discussed the idea of scaling it back this year and possibly doing a carry in rather than cater.

IV. New Business

Maggie Melton reported that AKC is now giving an AKC Lifetime Title. All legs that were earned to get the MACH when they dog did not Double Q are counted. This is the first year for this title.

The Board discussed Morene Stickrod's request for a Canine Cadence award. A number of ideas were raised but the board needed to be aware that there are many groups who volunteer their time and efforts to promoting and maintaining the Club. By recognizing the Canine Cadence in this manner other groups could feel they were being slighted. What was being requested were service awards for non-competing activities. After much discussion it was decided that the many groups who contribute to the Club be asked to stand to be recognized at the Banquet. In addition, a group picture will be taken of the 2012 Canine Cadence team and hung in a place of honor.

Kathy Roberts distributed a proposal for the creation of the Starline Nunley Memorial Award. This would be an intermittent award honoring a member who does something break through to improve the world as it relates to dogs or the dog-human relationship within our community. The person will have been instrumental in the development and/or improvement of an ongoing canine welfare or canine/handler focused initiative in the community outside of Gem City Dog Obedience Club. This would be awarded based on a nomination from the membership and the final vote would be made by the Board. When awarded the recipient would receive a physical award (plaque or medal) and a financial contribution would be given to the organization. The Board agreed that it was a good idea and that Kathy and Cheri would put criteria and nomination procedures in effect for the 2013 banquet.

V. Next Meeting

The next board meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, November 5, 2012, at the building.

VI. Adjournment

Maggie Melton moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 p.m. Carole Lenehan seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Gayle L. Ingram, Secretary

Kathy Roberts, President

Agenda Gem City Dog Obedience Club Board Meeting

Location:

Training Building 1654 Springfield St Dayton, OH 45459

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Mary Beam Cheri Davis

Carole Lenehan

Kathy Roberts Roberta Rupert

Lori Genaw

Ronalee McKnight

Jennifer Scott

1) Welcome and Call to Order

2) Reports-

(Please limit reports to 5 min each if possible)

- a) Secretary
- b) Treasurer
- c) Membership
- d) Registrar
- e) Obedience
 - i) AKC Trial
- f) Agility
 - i) AKC Trial
 - ii) Upcoming CCC Trials
- g) Conformation
 - i) November CCC Trial
- h) Earth Dog
 - Fall EDog
- Operations
 - i) Floor Stripping 10/21
 - ii) Land Clean Up for Winter
 - iii) Land Exterminator
 - iv) Back room Discussions
 - v) Building Lighting
- j) Sunshine
- k) Publicity/Public Relations
 - i) Need to Develop Committee and Budgets
- Banquet—Chair Needed
- m) Store
- n) New Business
 - i) Canine Cadence Awards???? (Morene is supposed to provide)
 - ii) Starline Nunley Award-Kathy Roberts1

1 will try to have this concept written up, but may have to discuss conceptually and get input via email

OCTOBER FINANCIAL SUMMARY (10/1/12)

Elaine M. Stoermer

Chase Checking

\$ 58,676.05 (bank balance 10/1/12)

- 5,747.55 (outstanding checks)

\$ 52,928.50 (balance 09/10/12)

Money Market

\$ 44,319.16 (Bank balance 10/1/12).

Total Cash Accounts \$ 97,247.66 10/1/12

Chase credit card statement ---Wollpert card canceled

Income - Deposits

9-17-12 AKC Obedience Trial Deposit	3,511.50
9-17-12 Agility classes (\$1,825) +RDOD	2,026.00
9-24-12 CCC rent \$1,437.50 + cash AKC O/R trial	•
9-25-12 AKC Agility Trial Deposits(5)	2,045.50
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9-29-12 Obedience Classes	1,345.00
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Rally: \$260.00 Conformation: \$390.00

Obedience: \$585.00

Mason-Dixon deposit: \$100.00 Membership: 30.00

Starline Nutley Memorial Award A Proposal for the Gem City Dog Obedience Club

I think all of us remember our dear friend Starline, who left us unexpectedly in 2011. Starline had many qualities and was an outstanding member. She gave of her time and talent and I believe, made our Club a better place. Starline also founded the Support Military Working Dogs Organization. The purpose of this organization is to provide needed supplies and equipment for dogs working in the military service in Afghanistan and Iraq. I have thought about her legacy and the benefits to our Club and its mission as a result of Starline's work and inspiration. I would like us to consider an award in her honor as roughly outlined below:

Criteria?

The Starline Nunley memorial award would be an intermittent award honoring a member who does something break through to improve the world as it relates to dogs or the doghuman relationship within our community.

The person will have been instrumental in the development and/or improvement of an ongoing canine welfare or canine/handler focused initiative in the community outside of Gem City Dog Obedience Club.

How awarded?

The award would be based upon a nomination from the membership and be investigated by committee. Final vote of award will be the Board of Gem City Dog Obedience Club.

What will be awarded?

When awarded, the board would provide a physical award (plaque or medal) and some sort of financial contribution to the organization (maybe \$200).

This award may not be awarded every year and in a particular year, if there is more than one candidate and the board feels more than one is qualified, then more than one individual can be honored.

From my limited knowledge, there two individuals who might qualify for the award as I see it right now (no research)--Jennifer Ison (for Ohio Lab Rescue) and Fran Morford (For her Service Dog Organization).

OK...so is this worth pursuing? If so, would anyone like to work with me on a more definite plan before the November meeting?