

**Gem City Dog Obedience Club
Board of Directors Meeting
November 1, 2004**

Presiding: Christopher Beckerdite

Present: Trish Clute, Kathy Combs, Curt Givens, Karen Rheinberger, Tami Brown, Marra Wollpert, Morene Stickrod, Roberta Rupert, Roger George, Carole Lenehan, Dorothy Leibold

I. Call to Order

Christopher Beckerdite brought the meeting to order and reviewed the agenda.

II. Report

Secretary's Report

Christopher Beckerdite took the minutes at the October meeting and distributed copies to the members present. After a brief review, Curt Givens moved to accept as published, Trish Clute seconded and minutes were approved by a majority vote. A copy is on file.

Treasurer's Report

Tami Brown distributed and reviewed the current net worth report. Tami noted that several items are still outstanding at this time, but hopes to have everything in and balanced prior to the new Treasurer's taking over. Curt moved to accept the report. Roger George seconded the motion and the report was accepted by a majority vote. A copy is on file.

Membership Report

Karen Rheinberger distributed and reviewed the Membership Report. A copy is on file.

Registrar's Report

Carole Lenehan gave a brief overview on class numbers. Carole queried the board members as to whether they felt we should run an ad in the paper in November and December. After a brief discussion it was decided to run the ads. Tami motioned that \$250.00 be allocated for this expense. Curt seconded the motion and it was passed by a majority vote.

Agility Report

Marra Wollpert reported that we currently have CPE and UKC trials coming up. During the UKC trial photos will be taken as a gift to exhibitors. A holiday theme with Santa and sleigh will be used for the photos.

Conformation Report

Trish Clute reported that the class is full and that all have expressed interest in moving on. The March Youth Beginner class is half full at this time. Trish will be making contact with 4H clubs to let them know there are openings.

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Earthdog Program Report

Curt Givens reported that entries are coming in for this weekend. AWTa is pleased with the facilities and the judges who were here.

Special Programs Report

Curt Givens reported that the next four week Rally Program session will begin on November 8th. The cost will be \$16.25 for members (or voucher), \$32.50 for Nonmembers. This session will be aimed at beginning handlers. The class will be held at 7:00 p.m., at the building on Monday night. Curt reported that Flyball is over for the season and will be on hold until spring.

Obedience Program Report

Kathy Combs reported that she and Karen Rheinberger attended the Clermont County Program on Rally. Kathy noted that new manuals will be available to the instructors/students in January. The Saturday obedience class will likely be dropped.

Operations Report

Roger George queried Tami regarding our water bill. Per Tami, to date we still have not received a bill. Roger will follow-up to see whether a bill has been sent and if so, to whom. Bills in the future will be sent to the new Treasurer, Kathy Roberts, who will be assuming the position after the Membership Meeting. Roger noted that our lease will definitely need extended another year. Roger noted that the roof leaks in four places and he will be notifying the landlord.

Public Relations

No report given.

Ways and Means

No report given.

III. Continuing Business Topics

Building Committee Update

Christopher Beckerdite reported that several meetings have been set-up with contractors whom we are interested in obtaining additional information. They will be presenting the committee with their proposals based on our needs. At this time there will not be a presentation at the annual meeting as it is still too premature. We are still looking at ways of financing the project.

Conversion to Non-Profit Status

Roger George reported that information is still being compiled at this time.

Budgets for 2005

Christopher Beckerdite reviewed the budgets for 2005. Any necessary changes to the document will be made and redistributed to the committee for final approval.

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Website

Marra Wollpert announced that content for the website should be sent to Mike Kasick at mfkacik@woh.rr.com

Old Matting

Marra Wollpert would like to give the extra rolled matting to a 4H Club. After a brief discussion it was decided that the donation of the matting was fine, with a monetary amount of .25 cents per foot noted for our tax purposes.

IV. New Business Topics

Purchase of Kerosene Heaters

Curt Givens noted the need for kerosene heaters to be purchased to take the chill off the building located on our property. He motioned that these be purchased by the club. Morene Stickrod stated she has two units that she is willing to donate to the club. She noted that they will need to be serviced before they are used, but they are in good condition. The board thanked Morene for her generosity and graciously accepted her offer.

Annual Meeting Agenda

1. Silent Auction – the auction will be closed at the call to order and results announced at the end.
2. Rally Class – add to announcements at the beginning of the meeting.
3. Announce Upcoming Events
4. Announce Special Meeting of the New Board Members directly following the November 5th Annual Meeting

Formal Recognition of Christopher Beckerdite's service to the Board

Tami Brown formally thanked Christopher Beckerdite for his hard work and dedication during his tenure as club president. She wished Christopher well in his new job.

V. Proposals for Next Board Meeting/New Business Topics

No additional topics noted.

VI. Adjournment

There being no further business, Curt motioned that the meeting be adjourned. Roger seconded, and the motion was carried by a majority vote. **The next scheduled meeting is Monday, December 6, 2004, 7:00 p.m., Gem City Dog Obedience Club.**

Respectfully submitted,

Dorothy J. Leibold
Secretary
Gem City Dog Obedience Club