

Gem City Dog Obedience Club

Membership Meeting

November 4, 2011

Location: The GCDOC Building

Date: November 4, 2011, 7:30 p.m.

Board Members:

Mary Beam
Cheri Davis
Lori Genaw
Curt Givens
Gayle Ingram

Carole Lenehan
Maggie Melton
Rick Roberts
Amy Runyon (absent)
Roberta Rupert

Jennifer Scott
Elaine Stoermer
Tami Woodrow (absent)

General Membership:

See attached sign in sheet.

I. Welcome and Call to Order

Lori Genaw called the meeting to order. She thanked everyone for attending the Annual Membership Meeting tonight and hoped everyone enjoyed the carry in meal. As always, the food was delicious!

II. Reports

a. Secretary (Gayle Ingram)

Elaine Stoermer moved to accept the minutes of the September 19, 2011 Membership Meeting. It was seconded by Jeannette Burger and passed unanimously.

b. Treasurer (Tami Woodrow - absent)

Tami was unable to attend the meeting so Elaine Stoermer presented the numbers which were presented at the September Membership meeting. Because these were previously approved, no motion was needed. Updated financials will be available at the next meeting or members can contact Elaine.

Checking	\$23,997.61
Savings	<u>\$44,252.72</u>
Total	\$68,250.33

c. Membership (Amy Runyon, chair – absent)

Krista Anthony reported that everyone should have received their statements from Amy which indicate the number of hours worked in the last Club year and the amount of dues that each person owes (varies depending upon the number of volunteer hours earned). November 4th is the due date for payment and Krista would accept payments at the meeting.

- The following member applicants were asked to come forward, introduce themselves and share their interests relating to the club:

Christine Stewart	Alicia Heidorn
Laura Martin	Heather Heidorn

Jennifer Scott moved to approve membership for all applicants in attendance. It was seconded by Carole Lenehan and passed unanimously. The new members were welcomed to the Club.

d. Registrar (Carole Lenehan)

Carole reported that Session 5 had a total of 121 dogs registered in obedience and rally. This is better than Session 4 but she feels the economy is still affecting the number of people enrolling in classes. She is hopeful that 2012 will bring more registrations. She reminded members that they should send pictures/information about new puppies to Pam Murn to be included in the Crateline.

e. Obedience (Elaine Stoermer, Director)

Elaine reported that Session 5 is nearly completed and then we have a break during November and December. Ronalee McKnight will be taking over as Obedience Director in 2012 and she will be looking for more instructors.

f. Agility (Maggie Melton)

Maggie reported that the AKC Agility Trial at the Champions Center in Springfield was a big success. Everyone seemed to love the new location. The trial chair sent out a survey after the trial and received a lot of positive feedback. One person wrote "This was the first trial I've attended where there were more than enough workers to cover the event."

Classes will be finishing up at the Land very soon (depending upon the weather) and the equipment will be moved out of the ring. There are new tunnels and some PVC jumps still in the boxes that will need assembled before the February AKC trial.

The Equipment Auction made \$2,500. She noted that everything sold, including a second A-frame. Another auction will be held during the winter at the Building.

g. Conformation (Jennifer Scott)

Jennifer reported that anyone interested in enrolling in Conformation classes next session should contact Trish Clute.

h. Earth Dog (Curt Givens)

Curt reported that there will be Earthdog tests at the Land November 12 & 13. They will need 4 – 5 volunteers each day. Anyone interested can just show up around 8:30 and a job will be found for them. The tests are generally finished by 3:30. He noted that they plans to put in a request to AKC to hold the tests a week earlier next year to avoid conflict with other events occurring the same weekend in the area. He reminded everyone that they hold an annual Turkey Fry on Saturday night. Cost is \$5.00 and you are asked to bring a dish to share. He needs to know asap how many are attending so he can purchase enough turkeys.

i. Operations (Rick Roberts)

Rick reported that he was notified recently of another large hole in the fence back in the woods area. It has been fixed. He asked members to go out to the Land and begin clearing the whole perimeter of the property. Ideally he'd like to have 4-5 foot cleared along the entire fence line so we can run a mower around the property and check for damage. Curt recently emailed Rick that when he was at the Land preparing for the upcoming Earthdog tests, he discovered someone had broken into the Lenehan Building. The door had been pried open. Nothing appeared to have been taken, just moved around. Rick is installing lock covers to keep that from happening again.

j. Sunshine (Cheri Davis)

Cheri presented the Sunshine Report. In October ten cards were sent to members due to illness or loss of pet. Flowers were sent to three members. Memorial stones were offered to seven members for dogs who trained at GCDOC, and to three members for other dogs in their households.

k. Publicity/Public Relations (Cheri Davis)

Cheri reported that the Club had a lot of exposure at the mvPTa Howl-O-Ween Walk on October 15th. Elaine Stoermer did a rally demo and K9 Cadence was awesome. The MC did a lot of Gem City announcements throughout the event. Cindy Alles did a wonderful job as chair.

l. Store (Roberta Rupert)

Roberta reminded everyone of the items available in the Club store and how to make purchases. It is an honor system whereby the person places their money in an envelop, writes what they bought, the amount enclosed, and places the envelop in the box outside the store.

Nomination Committee (Roberta Rupert)

Roberta Rupert presented the slate of GCDOC officers for 2012 which were nominated at the September 19th meeting. Because all officers were running unopposed, Curt Givens moved that instead of written ballot, a vote by affirmation be made. Rick Roberts second the motion and the following slate of officers was unanimously approved by a verbal vote:

Kathy Roberts, President.
Lori Genew, Vice President
Gayle Ingram, Secretary
Elaine Stoermer, Treasurer

Krista Anthony, Membership
Carole Lenehan, Registrar
Cheri Davis, At Large
Roberta Rupert, At Large

FYI: At-Large terms are for two years. Mary Beam and Curt Givens' terms do not expire until next year.

III. **New Business**

Children's Parade. Gene Basher reminded everyone that the Dayton Children's Parade will be held the Friday after Thanksgiving (November 25) beginning at 8:00 p.m. GCDOC has participated in this parade for 39 years and encouraged members with crowd compatible dogs to join in the fun. We have the largest unit in the parade. We have averaged around 100 dogs every year. Members should meet in front of the jail no later than 7:30 p.m. The parade goes on rain/snow or shine and consists of about eight blocks of walking. Since this is an evening parade, he encouraged adding lights to the festive outfits worn by dogs and humans and to spread out during the parade so everyone can be seen. He reminded everyone that they cannot pass out candy at the parade.

Recognition. Gene Basher recognized the building cleaning crew for the outstanding job they do at keeping the facility in great shape. Besides cleaning they also mow the grass and restock supplies. Leah Schiller leads the crew which consists of Marcia & Gene Bashor, Tay Brewer, Carol Coffey, Cindy Englebrecht, Terri Jerkes, Lynne Ranney, and Kim Eidemiller. John and Sigalia Cannon were also recognized for their work on the air conditioner and building repairs. Rick Roberts announced that he will continue as Land Manager in 2012 and recognized the hard work of the crew that keeps the Land mowed and trimmed: Bob Miller, Sandy Price, Dede McElroy, Tom Lenehan, and Kathy Roberts.

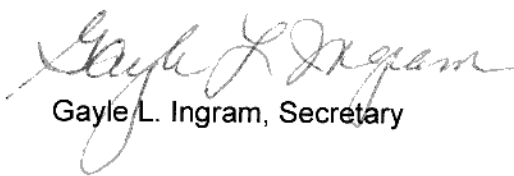
IV. Next Meeting

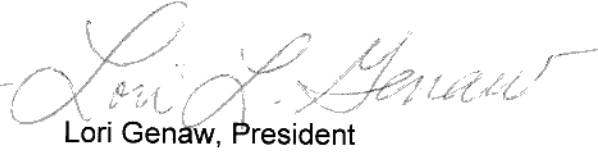
Members will be notified of the date of the next Membership Meeting.

V. Adjournment

Curt Givens moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m. Nancy Beeman seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,


Gayle L. Ingram, Secretary


Lori Genaw, President