

Gem City Dog Obedience Club
"ZOOM" Board Meeting
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Board Members Present: Chris Kiefer, Diana Stromley, Carol Frank-Poore, Carol Coffey, Sherri Heizer, Leah Schiller, Pam Murn, Angela Profitt, Charlotte Wisener, Cathy Wright, Cathy Roberts and Rick Roberts

Call to Order: Chris Kiefer called the meeting to order at __7__:__10__p.m.

President: Chris Kiefer – Review of the web site and when we are going to be coming back. Keeping website updated. Review information for roof. We should have our new roof hopefully in the next ten days to two weeks. Problem with the roofers is bad communication.

Vice President: Diana Stromley- Did take another contract and deposit. Took money to treasurer. No additional request to use the facilities. Nothing else to report.

Secretary: Carol Frank-Poore – Review of last meeting minutes. Made changes for Ashley's last name. Motion to approve membership minutes was made by _Sherri Heizer_; seconded by __Cathy Wright__. No objections, motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer: Kathy Roberts – E-mailed report to each board member. Kathy reviewed the report, we have about One Hundred twenty thousand on hand. We should be good until around March 2021. Talked about building up a "Capital Funds Account" and an "Emergency Funds Account". Taxes did go up but should not be going up too much more. Did not pursue any of the government loans due to the restrictions, rules, and requirements for each type of loan. We are a 501C4 and that was specifically exempted from the loans. Economic Income Disaster Loan but it would not have been forgiven. Motion to accept report by _Leah Schiller_; seconded by __Cathy Wright__. No objections, motion passed unanimously.

Membership: Tami Woodrow – We now have 187 members that includes associate members renew and includes lifetime members. Only about 1/3 hours have been worked compared to last year. There are 26 members have worked 50 hrs. or over, 40 members have worked 20 hrs. or over. and 68 members have not worked any hours or enough for membership. Looking to decide between now and September about the needed hours to retain membership.

Additional comments regarding hours: A lot of hours come from the trials and they are now going to be very limited on how many people will be able to be there. We still need to think about what to do. May need to requiring lower number of hours as a onetime deal due to the Covid-19. We want people to know we are thinking about them and the things they may be able to do. Breaking ideas down into smaller projects that can be done at home or short trips out and possibly working at the land. Best to keep things in a one or two hr time frame. Possible donations of items, going to lifetime members and helping them, and asking people for wish lists they think will help. Also setting up virtual classes. We need to remember about people that like to plan and what the state government requires.

Board members send ideas to Kathy Roberts for things to do to get hours by June 12, 2020. Kathy will make a list of things to send to Chris. Chris will send out a general email to the members. Carol Poore to help with list from members.

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Registrar: Angela Profitt – Nothing at this time, three registrars have agreed to come back. One right now and one wants to require masks.

Obedience/ Rally /Freestyle: Pam Murn – Married couple agreed to judge trial for Sept 2020. Wife recently contacted Pam and said she was not going to be able to due to the Covid-19. Husband is still willing to but with the cost of things, we will not make any money. Considering trying to find local judge but not sure how good of a turn out we will have or possibility canceling the show. Many shows have already cancelled trials in September. Just not ready to decide at this time. Want to resume classes in August, concerns are people wearing masks. Concerns are it is hard to hear instructors with masks on and people coming in contact with others. Would like to schedule two sessions with the first to stare in August with the second one to follow with one evening for Rally in the front room and then evaluate for next year.

The idea is in ring one in the front room, moving gates and adjusting seating areas. Agility coming and going as before using the same entrance/exit with staggered start times. Using the back entrance is not a good idea. Area is in need of repair. There are no handrails and is not considered safe. Confirmation classes will wait until March 2021 to start back up. Instead of using our vouchers for now, possibly pay a reduced rate for the classes. Agility does currently use vouchers and pays an additional \$10.00 (the additional money is for upkeep of equipment and purchase if new when needed).

Land/Building would be great for Curt to do nose work. Not big enough for other types of classes. Puppy class for members maybe outside but requires equipment. Only go inside if necessary, but not sure that would be a good idea. Looking to make a balance between introductory classes or members only.

Kathy Roberts is willing to do a 4-week session for dogs that are ready for testing for their CGC or already have their CGC. Could use the bike path. This will be for current members first to see how it works.

Additional review of Covid-19 to our opening.

Pam wants to work with Angela to do a line up of classes to possibly be opened about two weeks ahead of time. Maybe have Rally run-throughs at the land. Chris agrees that we need to trust the people that are in place to make the correct decision.

Free style: Is currently scheduled for July with only 35 competitors. Looking to recruit Kathy Combs as judge. Minimum extra people there. Lots of social distancing.

Registration for classes should not be done in person at the building anymore. Chris agreed that she can set it up so that does not need to happen.

Agility: Sherri Heizer – Sent out e-mail and out line. Agility will be easier way to start classes. Sherri will have areas marked off and each student will sanitize their chairs before leaving class. Suggestion that students sanitize items used in the bathroom as they go.

Timeline is to start June 29th and end just before the August agility trials. Going to have a Zoom meeting with the Agility Club. Looking at signing Covid-19 waivers, also sharing the waiver with Gem City.

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Conformation: Cathy Wright- Nothing to really report. Trish is willing to cancel the up coming classes and wait until next March to start up the next session. Not going to do the confirmation run thus.

Lure Coursing: Leah Schiller – Nothing on earth dog or fast cat.

Maintenance: Rick Roberts – going to make plex a glass barriers.

New business: Kathleen Cook (AKC Judge) booking practice times for AKC Novice Rally and how we might be able to use it. Kathy Roberts got a fogger (only \$24.00) need to order mini compresors, probably 3 of them. Building filters will be changed early July.

Nancy Beeman diagnosed with stage 4 pancreatic cancer. Taking low dose chemotherapy at home.

Tom Mundy - Open heart surgery and doing ok.

Ron Snyder - Surgery

Darlene Miller – Surgery

Meeting adjourned 8:40 pm