

Regular Meeting Minutes – GSLSSC – Nov. 12, 2009

President: Debi Vetz called the meeting to order at 7:17 p.m. in the aviary room of Webster Groves Animal Hospital.

Board Members in attendance: Debi Vetz, Marianne Glisson, Sandy Ganz, Terri Poirier.

Members in attendance: Bryan Clifford, Donna Clifford, Theresa Corcoran, Spencer Glisson, Marilyn Marlow, Amy Stoub.

Guest: B J Clifford

Daniel sent Debi a message saying he is sorry he cannot come to meetings at this time since his church service now takes place on Thursdays.

Debi thanked everyone for coming to the meeting. She was sorry for the mix-up in the time for tonight's meeting. She handed out copies of the Regular Minutes of the November 8, 2009 Club meeting.

Minutes: Marilyn moved and Sandy seconded a motion that the Minutes of the October Regular Meeting be approved. Motion passed.

Treasurer: Bob Piccirillo sent his report for November 2009. We had no income last month and had minor expenses. Our bank balance is \$1,449.44. Income is expected from calendar sales and upcoming dues. Upcoming expenses will occur in purchasing trophies for our 2010 Shows/Trials.

Archives: Darlene has not yet received an inventory for our library.

Awards: Marilyn will take care of awards if Lori does not want to. Our Awards presentation will take place at the February Club meeting at Webster Groves Animal Hospital.

Picnic: Debi apologized for not including a report on the Picnic in the Vibes. It was a great event that was well attended. The BBQ, prizes and games were all wonderful! It was a great day overall!

Constitution and By-Laws: Marianne reviewed the changes the Club is making:

- Adding an Associate Membership – Policies and Procedures will set guidelines
- Annual dues shall not exceed \$40.00
- Annual dues of an Associate Member shall not exceed 50% of Regular Members' dues
- The Club will hold six (6) Regular Meetings each year – months to be determined by the Board
- The Board of Directors will meet three (3) times each year – months to be determined by the Board
- Officers and Board Members will be elected in staggering terms as indicated
- A quorum will be 20% of the Regular Membership

There was no discussion. Terri made a motion which Marilyn seconded that the changes be approved unanimously. Motion approved. These changes will go into effect January 1, 2010.

Suggestions for Associate Membership:

- One sponsor who has known the candidate for at least one year
- No home visit necessary
- No meeting attendance necessary
- They may not use our Club logo on their website

Policies and Procedures regarding this membership can always be made more or less stringent.

Marianne assured the membership that the application for Associate Membership will be ready to use by either December 1 or January 1, at the latest. Marianne will send our new Constitution and By-Laws to the AKC.

Education: Tammy has no news about a possible Carmen Battaglia seminar. Debi had no news about a Tammy Van Deusen seminar. She hopes to have information at our next meeting.

Membership: Tammy Riggs is our new chairman.

Sheltie Peddler: Donna has sold all Speed Sew in stock and will order more.

2010 Show/Trial: All paperwork has been submitted to the AKC. Obedience judges will be: Bill Oxandale and Diane Propst. Marianne asked for a copy of the contract sent to obedience judges.

Website: Amy has received a lot of contributions from members. She needs to format it before adding it to our website.

Elections: Marianne moved and Sandy seconded that the slate of Officers and Board Members as printed in the Vibes be elected by acclamation. Motion approved.

President – Terri Poirier

Vice-President – Tammy Riggs

Treasurer – Bob Piccirillo

Corresponding Secretary – Marianne Glisson

Recording Secretary – Debi Vetz

Board of Directors: Darlene Cutshall, Sandy Ganz, Ben Middleton

Old Business:

2011 National Specialty: ASSA's National Show Planner, Suzi Beacham, went to Purina to see the new show site. The 2011 National Specialty will be held there instead of in Collinsville, IL. The host hotel will be Holiday Inn at Six Flags. ASSA paid a significant sum to get out of the contract they had with the Gateway Center in Collinsville, IL. All events of the 2011 National Specialty will be held at Purina Farms.

We need a logo for that event. This will be the 100th anniversary of the Shetland Sheepdog as an AKC approved breed.

Debi, Local Show Chairman, plans to hold a meeting in the near future.

There is a chance the National Specialty will be held at Purina Farms every three (3) years.

New Business: Terri would like to see our Club host an Agility A Match in the spring of 2010 so we could host a real trial in late 2011 or 2012. The Purina site would be an ideal location. The match could take place in May or June 2010.

Marianne moved and Sandy seconded that the meeting adjourn at 8:26 p.m.

Brag: Sandy's Remi has earned his CDX. Debi and 2 of her Shelties participated in Children's Hospital recognition celebration for volunteers.