

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES - GSLSSC - September 10, 2009

The regular meeting of the GSLSSC was called to order by President, Debi Vetz at 7:40 p.m. at the Webster Groves Animal Hospital. Debi thanked everyone for coming and introduced our guest Tiffany Parker, Tammy Riggs' daughter.

Board members in attendance were: Debi Vetz, Vicki Piccirillo, Bob Piccirillo, Sandy Ganz and Marianne Glisson.

Members in attendance were: Darlene Cutshall, Tim Cutshall, Patti Hittler, Charlotte Hulett, Marilyn Marlow, Cindy Onder, Ed Pantoutsos and Tammy Riggs.

Debi told the membership that the August meeting minutes will be published and added to our Club website.

Vice-President Vicki Piccirillo announced that we filed our 2008 tax return in July on an extension. If our income stays under \$25,000 (gross receipts) for a 3-year average we only file a post card as a return. 990EZ is what we are currently filing. 990N will be the form we will use if our 3-year average is under \$25,000 - which we can probably do next year. We would, in that case, not need an accountant.

Treasurer Bob Piccirillo said we need to vote on 3 months of Treasurer's reports - July, Aug. and Sept.

Marilyn asked if we will have enough cash for our March 2010 shows/trials? Bob reported that we have \$1100.00 in interest that we can use and also possibly cash in an upcoming CD before it is due. Dues will be added to our treasury by the end of the year to add to our profit. The raffle at our shows plus entry fees will also add to our income. Marianne moved and Marilyn seconded that we approve all 3 months' Treasurer's reports as submitted. Motion passed.

Archives/Library: Darlene has been trying to get the library from Cindy Burrows but has not been able to as yet.

She said she can't get on the Club website. Debi will ask Amy to somehow make it possible for members to access the Members' Section of our website.

Vicki suggested a raffle table at our show/trial to sell magazines or books we no longer want. Bob suggested we donate those books to the St. Louis County Library. We probably need a complete list of the books we own. Patti asked if A.S.S.A. lends their books and other materials. The answer is "no."

Awards: We do not know who the Awards Chairman is. Marilyn will contact Lori to see if she will purchase the Awards for 2009. The Awards Banquet will be held at the February meeting at the Dog Museum. There was some discussion about possibly having the Awards Banquet/presentation at Webster Groves Animal Hospital.

Picnic: Bob mentioned the picnic flyer which has been published in the Vibes. He has a sign-up sheet available for people to say which side-dishes they will be bringing.

Bob thought it would be nice to invite former members to have a reunion at the picnic. He wants to know by Tuesday, Oct. 6 how many people each member has invited. Kuna Foods may either donate hamburgers or sell them to us at cost. Amy Stroub will put together games. Members should bring their own drinks.

Constitution & By-Laws: Marianne reported that we are only going to add Associate Membership to the Constitution. There will have to be a Policy and Procedure as to who qualifies for that type of membership. It will become effective until/if the A.K.C. says we cannot have that type of membership. We will have to state the cost of an Associate Member's dues. Members in attendance agreed that ½ the cost of a Regular Membership would be appropriate. That membership will be in effect once the club votes on it.

There will be a minimum of six (6) regular meetings per year with the preference of the club as to which months.

Board meetings will be held a minimum of three (3) times a year.

The Board of Directors shall be elected for 2 year terms, staggering where President, Corresponding Secretary, and two board members elected on odd years and VP, Recording Secretary, Treasurer, and one board member elected on even years

The words "simple majority" vs. "quorum" were discussed at great length. A vote will take place at the October meeting on the revisions to the Constitution and By-Laws. Debi will research Roberts Rules of Order as to the semantics of the aforementioned words that were deliberated.

Membership: Debi has not found a replacement for Cindy Onder.

Show Committee: Bob needs to get hold of last year's Show Chairman for a copy of paperwork that was sent to AKC as well as send a floor plan of our new site to them.

Ways & Means: Vicki said we should have a raffle at our show.

Tammy Riggs is having a BBQ and raffle on 9/26. One half of the proceeds of that event will be donated to GSLSSC.

Old Business: This new meeting site - Webster Groves Animal Hospital - is easily accessible and centrally located.

Debi is trying to find out what our role and responsibilities will be for the 2011 National Specialty which will be held in Collinsville, IL

Bob said he has his presentation/program prepared whenever we want him to give it.

Debi announced the slate of Officers and Board Members for 2010:

President Terri Poirier

Vice-President Vicki Piccirillo

Treasurer Bob Piccirillo

Corresponding Secretary Marianne Glisson

Recording Secretary Debi Vetz

Board of Directors Darlene Cutshall / Sandy Ganz / Ben Middleton

Marilyn moved that we have our regular monthly meeting at the Club picnic in Oct. After brief discussion the motion was taken off the table and Marilyn rescinded her motion.

New Business: Tammy suggested we sponsor a seminar by Carmen Battaglia. She researched his seminars on his website. Best attendance at previous seminars he has presented were when his book was included in the registration fee. His fee = \$550.00 + expenses for a 2-day seminar. \$450.00 + expenses for a 1-day seminar. The book, "Breeding Better Dogs" will be discounted to 50% to clubs sponsoring his seminar.

Debi suggested that Tammy find out where his upcoming seminars are already booked so that we do not offer the seminar close to any time or place for which he is already under contract.

Marilyn suggested we sponsor a Kim Schive seminar. Her fees are \$500.00 + expenses for 2 days.

There was discussion about whether or not we could or should sponsor a seminar during the 2011 A.S.S.A. show week.

Debi announced that she attended a Tammy Van Deusen Sheltie-only herding clinic and wondered if our club would be interested in sponsoring one? Sandra Holmberg would charge \$400.00 for use of her property. The St. Louis Herding Club sponsored the Tammy V.D. seminar and charged \$150.00 for 2 days with a limit of 12 dogs. Unlimited auditors were about \$50.00 per person.

Vicki asked when we have to submit a list to AKC of qualifying events for us to hold a show. Debi will get more info.

Marianne motioned and Patti seconded the meeting adjourn at 9:58 p.m.

Brag: Marilyn bragged about a new young Champion.

Respectfully submitted:
Sandy Ganz
Recording Sec'y.