

MINUTES – Regular Meeting – December 13, 2007 – GSLSSC

The December meeting of the GSLSSC was held at the Brentwood Community Center Thursday December 13, 2007. A quorum was met. Meeting was called to order at 7:10 by President Debi Vetz

In attendance were: **OFFICERS:** Debi Vetz, John Burgess, Vicki Piccirillo, Allison White and Mark Iken. **MEMBERS:** Cindy Onder, Cassie Iken, Patti Hittler and Bob Piccirillo. There were NO VISITORS at this meeting.

Thanks to the Iken's for providing refreshments!

Recording Secretary:

- A motion was made by Cassie Iken, seconded by Patti Hittler to approve the November 2007 minutes as they were published. MOTION PASSED – November minutes approved as published.

Corresponding Secretary: Chair not in attendance - No report given.

Treasurer:

- The financial report was given by Vicki Piccirillo. See Financial Report
- Vicki announced we have received approval of our 501-C4 (not charitable but Tax Exempt) status!
- Effort is being made to recover the monies we have paid in taxes as our 501-C4 status was backdated to coincide with our Articles of Incorporation.
- We will have to file an annual Form 990 with the IRS – it is due the 1st of the month after the end of our annual accounting period.
- Attorney that helped us with this is available to us for consultation for 1 year (based on fee we have already paid). Vicki has several questions for him and will consult him as needed.
- Vicki has obtained our original Articles of Incorporation from the State of Missouri – we were incorporated in 1979
- We were designated NOT FOR PROFIT in the State of Missouri in 1979 at the time of our incorporation.
- Discussion was held on how to best secure these valuable documents so they are protected and don't become misplaced.
- Discussion was held on how to develop a system (transition book) to insure that new accounting requirements, deadlines, etc. are passed on to each succeeding treasurer so our 501-C4 status is not jeopardized.
- Discussion as to whether or not above articles should be put in the *Members Only* section of our website.

AKC Coordinator:

- Received information from the AKC regarding their new requirements that Clubs MUST meet in order to hold shows. This includes holding educational events, matches, CGC certifications, training classes etc. Health clinics, health seminars, meet the breed events, etc. and ADVERTISING such to the general public. While we do not have to do all of the above each year, we do have to hold a certain number of events from various categories.

Education:

Chair not in attendance - No report given

- Discussion was held on whether to fill out application to participate in the St. Patrick's Day Parade. This would be an event that would help us meet some of our AKC regulatory requirements. Motion was made, by Mark Iken and 2nd by John Burgess to complete the Application. MOTION PASSED – We will complete an Application to participate in the Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade.

Archivist:

Chair not in attendance - No report given

Awards:

Chair not in attendance - No report given

- Debi indicated that the date was wrong on the form in the Vibes as she didn't use the updated form

Holiday Extravaganza:

Chair not in attendance - No report given

- Banquet should be in Feb. at our regular meeting.

Club Picnic:

No Chairperson for event - No report given

Constitution:

Chair not in attendance - No report given.

- However Debi has been working with web mistress Amy Stoub to insure that it and all updated policies will be on-line soon.

Equipment:

Chair not in attendance - No report given

Library: Chair not in attendance - No report given

Membership: 1st reading of Application of Ed Panoubos

Sheltie Info.: No report given

Sheltie Peddler: No report given

2009 Specialty & Judges Selection: No report given.

2008 Specialty:

- We need a new Show Chairman as Mary Spillman had to step down for health reasons (she feels very bad that she is unable to fulfill her duties). Debi has contacted Sally Burgess to see if she is interested.
- Anyone willing to help with the show should contact Debi until a new show chairman is available.
- Sherry Spavale is Show Secretary.
- Vicki needs a contract from Kim so we can issue her a check.
- Vicki Piccirillo is doing Judges Hospitality with the help of Ed Panoubos.
- Vicki Piccirillo is collecting Raffle items. If you have any items to donate, please let her know. She will also need people to help staff the raffle table and set it up.
- Sheltie Rescue has been contacted to see if they would be interested in handling the lunch at the show. They were very pleased to be asked to participate. They will provide meat, drinks, paper products, condiments, etc. and will receive all donations from exhibitors partaking in the lunch. We will place something in the Premium about this so exhibitors will know that lunch will be available on site and the proceeds go to a worthy cause. Club members will be asked to assist by brining a side dish or dessert for the lunch.
- Show set up will be on Friday afternoon.
- There will be a Rent-A-Ring event on Saturday night. It will be advertised in the Premium. John Burgess will be handling the Conformation Ring, Mark Iken the Obedience Ring. If you would like to assist, please let them know.

Sunshine:

- Mary Spillman is in the hospital undergoing tests and chemo.
- Spencer Glisson was hospitalized to have a stint put in. He has been released and is resting at home.
- Marilyn Marlow is having back problems.

We wish everyone a full and speedy recovery.

Vibes: Nothing to report.

Website: Amy has several good ideas for enhancing the site and hopes to add to it in the coming year.

Ways and Means: No report given – committee not active.

Show-N-Go: No report given – committee not active.

Old Business:

- **Seminar:** The Tom Coen Seminar is on track for the 2nd weekend in January (12th and 13th). It will be held at the Dog Museum.
 - Currently we have 12 paid reservations.
 - Another 12 or so have verbally committed to attend but their reservations have not yet been received.
 - We need 15 to break even on this event.
 - Should we receive a large entry – we may have to limit it to 30-35 participants
 - Tom will be arriving on Thursday prior to the seminar, as he wants to make sure that he has ample time to arrive in case there is inclement weather along his travel route.
 - Set-up will be on Friday. Seminar starts each day at 9:00 am. There will be a continental breakfast available at 8:15 or 8:30 each day. Lunch will be brought in each day – probably from Sam's Club. Seminar should end at approx. 2:00 on Sunday; Tom's flight leaves at 6:00 pm.
 - Bob was looking for hotel suggestions for Tom. Hotel should be off of 44 or near Dog Museum.
 - Tom will be available for Dinner on Saturday with individuals. Bob is to check with perhaps Bandana's (on Bowles Ave.), regarding room availability for a large group.
- **Calendars:** There are 4 calendars left. There are a few more that have been paid for but not picked up yet.

New Business:

- Allison White spoke about a seminar she planned to personally sponsor on Canine Cancer and resources for treating it. Seminar is planned for the Dog Museum on Sunday, February 17th, and will be conducted by veterinarian Dr. Kim Sutton who specializes in Canine Cancer at the University of MO Columbia Vet Hospital. The seminar should last about 2 hours. It is open to owners of ALL Breeds. Dr. Sutton is waiving all fees and will only charge expenses, which should be nominal. Fee to attend will be nominal as well (\$10.00 range). All funds raised in excess of expenses will be donated to charity.
 - Allison offered to let the club sponsor this event in order to help meet AKC requirements for education.
 - Motion was made by John Burgess for the club to host this seminar and donate all proceeds to charity. Motion was seconded by Mark Iken.
MOTION PASSED – GSLSSC will host a Seminar by Dr. Sutton on Canine Cancer with proceeds being donated to Charity.
 - Flyers will be prepared and distributed. Seminar will also be posted on our website.
 - Discussion was held as to the possibility of holding our February Awards before or after this event. It was decided not to pursue this.

Miscellaneous:

- If anyone is in need of health screening for their dog(s) the Golden Retriever Club will be sponsoring a Health Clinic in February.

Adjournment:

- Motion was made by John Burgess and 2nd by Mark Iken to adjourn the meeting.
MOTION PASSED - Meeting adjourned at 8:33 pm

Respectfully submitted:

Cindy Onder

Subbing for Sandy Ganz