GSLSSC Regular Meeting Minutes October 9, 2008

The October Regular meeting was held Thursday, Oct 9, 2008 at Brentwood Community Center. Meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Vicki Piccirillo.

Board Members: Vicki Piccirillo

Regular Members: Terri Poirier, Marianne Glisson, Bob Piccirillo, Dan Buford, Marilyn Marlow, Ben Middleton, Sarah Middleton,

Charlotte Hulett, and Patti Hittler

President: no report

Recording Secretary: no report. Minutes from August and September were approved.

Corresponding Secretary: no report

Treasurer: Financial report given by Vicki Piccirillo and will be published in the Nov Vibes.

Our CD has reached maturity and we now have \$927.89 gain that can be disposed as we wish. The balance in our checking account is now \$4,209.07.

Nominating Committee:

Terri presented the slate of officers as proposed by the committee consisting of Terri, Mark Iken and Dan Buford:

President: Debi Vetz

VP: John Burgess

Recording Sec: Sandy Ganz

Corresponding Sec: Marianne Glisson

Treasurer: Bob Piccirillo

Board: Dan Buford

Terri Poirier Alison White

No floor nominations. The slate will be voted in by acclimation at the Nov meeting.

Ways and Means: Vicki will be assuming Chair of this committee. She will handle all the financial, budet and filing of taxes for the club.

2009 Specialty Show Report: Cassie Iken is show chairman. There were numerous questions brought up by those in attendance including:

- 1) is there a Show Committee?
- 2) Who is being considered as photographer? Chris Lynch or Mike Fine are two good alternatives.
- 3) Who are the judges? Marianne indicated that our choices had all declined and the Judges Committee had confirmed the following:

Sweeps: Vicki Piccirillo and Marilyn Marlow

Breed: Jo Viriden and Sue Christie

- 4) Is there a need for show volunteers? Ben and Sara Middleton and Patti Hittler volunteered to help with setup and/or clean up.
- 5) Who is doing the lunches? It was our understanding that Sheltie Rescue would do the lunches again.

It was recommended that at the Nov meeting, an update and discussion about the Specialty show be placed on the agenda.

Awards Recognition Banquet:

There was some discussion about the awards recognition. It was recommended that a dinner on either Feb 7^{th} or Feb 21^{st} be

investigated by Marilyn Marlow. It was also recommended that Lori Schultz continue to obtain the awards' plaques.

Old Business

- 2011 ASSA Nationals will be held at the Gateway Center in Collinsville. The ASSA has asked that we consider the idea that 2011 will be the 100th anniversary of the recognition of the sheltie by the AKC as we deliberate on a slogan and logo for the Nationals. Our Club will need to start working on potential slogans, logos and also organizing the various local show committees.
- 2. Sheltie calendars Patti Hittler reported that 33 calendars are sold with only 17 left.

New Business

1. Marianne conducted the election for the 2010 specialty judges. The following were elected:

Sweeps: Bev Polisseni, and Krys Messner

Breed: Janet Turnage Nahikian and Mark McMillan

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- 2. Terri briefly reported that she is heading up a committee to re-examine our bylaws. Marilyn Marlow and Marianne Glisson volunteered to work on this. The AKC sample constitution will be examined. The following specific issues will be evaluated:
 - a. Election of officers
 - b. Types of membership including associate membership
 - c. Quorum
- 3. Marianne motioned with Patti seconded and approved by the membership that an outside consultant do our 2008 taxes and specifically Edmund Sledzik who helped us with our filing status this past year.
- 4. Marilyn motioned with Ben seconded and approved by the membership that \$500 is donated to the N.A.I. A. (National Animal Interest Alliance) for the 2008 year charitable contribution.. ASSA has recommended that all clubs consider donating. ASSA has donated \$7000 this year to N.A.I.A.

Specific details from the ASSA are noted below as reported by Charlotte McGowan:

The National Animal Interest Alliance has continued to be the most effective organization for fighting bad legislation and actually getting a good result for our side. ASSA should encourage all members to contribute to the ASSA Foundation designating their donation toward legislation. Funds are needed to continue to effectively turn the tide. The real need is rescue of our sport from the legislative onslaught! Funding is needed to help do this. The ASSA should support NAIA with the largest donation hey can manage. NAIA has been the key to the most important victories we have had this year.

Motion to adjourn at 8:40 p.m.

Brags:

- 1) Vicki reported that Kaylea (Rapporle Spirited Away) took BOB at the Mississippi Valley show.
- 2) Ben reported on the addition of sheltie #3 Cameo Next to Greatness, "Coffey".
- 3) Terri reported on Trevor's successes in the agility ring and is only 167 points from his MACH and that Joy (Saranac Fields of Joy) became our newest conformation CH in Sept.

Respectfully submitted,

Terri Poirier