

## **Minutes of the October 12, 2007 Regular Meeting of the Greater St. Louis Shetland Sheepdog Club**

Meeting called to order by Allison White at 7:08 p.m. 26 members were present constituting a quorum. One guest was in attendance.

**President:** Motion to approve the September 2007 minutes as published. Approved. Thanks to Mary Spillman for organizing the Shelties at the Highland Games. A great day for all. Thanks to Bob Piccirillo for the great picnic and BBQ. And a big thank you to Amy Stoub for all the updating and web site work she is doing for our clubs site. There is a new password which Debi Vetz will be mailing via e-mail to the membership soon.

**Vice-President:** Nothing to report.

**Recording Secretary:** Nothing to report.

**Corresponding Secretary:** ASSA Bulletin Board came in mail. Rally judge has been contacted and now have all eight contracts for our Specialty Judges.

**Treasurer:** Vicki Piccirillo is out of town so please review the October 2007 Treasurer report. She has worked hard to get us the tax exempt status and now we wait. Allison read the letter Vicki sent to the U.S. Tax department from our lawyer.

**AKC Coordinator:** We just participated in the Juvenile Diabetes Walk For The Cure and the Highland Games – both allowing us opportunities to talk about our breed and their versatility.

**Archivist:** Nothing to report.

**Awards:** The submission form for awards will be published in the November Vibes. If you want a perpetual plate, let Lori Schulz know. Motion was made to have the awards period run for a calendar year. Motion approved. For the 2007 award period we will pick up the last two months of 2006 which were not covered in the 2006 awards period.

**Holiday Extravaganza:** We will do with the awards and now will move it to February's since the award period goes to the end of a calendar year.

**Club Picnic:** Had a good crowd in attendance with beautiful weather and great food. Club information was given to people interested in the club. Auction made \$45.00 and Mary Spillman gave a grooming demo. It was decided to donate the extra food to a food pantry. Marianne Glisson is going to contact Feed My People in Cedar Hill, MO.

**Constitution:** Nothing to report.

**Education:** Tom Coen seminar moving along. Ads placed on Sheltie Online and submitted to ASSA to try for an educational grant.

**Equipment:** Nothing to report.

**Library:** Contact Cindy Burrows if there is anything you need (see club website for list of items in library) and she will make arrangements for getting it to you.

**Membership:** Welcome to our guest. Two applications and one of them to vote on. Courtney Riggs – 1<sup>st</sup> reading. Sponsors Bob Piccirillo and Terri Poirier. Voted on applicant Tammy Riggs – approved.

Discussion on when to hold Secret Ballot and it was decided by the membership that in future all voting for membership will be held with a ballot.

**Sheltie Info:** Nothing to report.

**Sheltie Peddler:** Nothing to report.

**2008 Judges Nominating Committee:** Discussion on the judges before the voting and a few questions answered. Judges voted on and will start contacting them for the 2009 Specialty show.

**2008 Officers Nominating Committee:** Terri Poirier read the slate as published in the Vibes. Floor nominations as follows were added to the slate: Anne Regan – Corresponding Secretary; Mark Iken – Board Member; Tom Schulz – Board Member; Bob Piccillo – Vice President.

**2008 Specialty:** Moving forward. Raffle items and help needed.

**Sunshine:** It was presented that we thank Amy Stoub for all the hard work she has done to date on the club web site. It was motioned to send her a thank you along with a \$25.00 gift certificate in appreciation of her work. Charlotte Hulette will handle.

**Vibes:** Nothing to report.

**Ways & Means:** Nothing to report.

**Website:** Thanks again to Amy for all the hard work. A new password had been created and Debi Vetz will send it to all the membership who communicates via e-mail.

**Fuzzy Friends Show N Go:** Nothing to report.

**Old Business:** Did not make the cut for hosting the 2011 ASSA National – concerns of still not enough space even with the addition to the Gateway Center.

Calendars are almost all gone. To date have sold 41 of the 50 we ordered and have made a profit of \$235.00. Great job Patti Hittler.

Discussion of CD coming to maturity and rolling them over. Will review in the next Board Meeting.

**New Business:** Discussion on revisiting the Associate Membership. Could help with future members and people who would like to join but would have no voting rights. Also a good interim membership for people to understand and meet people before full membership.

**Motion to Adjourn:** Terri Poirier motioned and Sidney Ganz seconded to close the meeting at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Debi Vetz  
Recording Secretary