



BISMARCK KENNEL CLUB

MINUTES

January 17, 2015

Meeting Start 1:35 p.m.

Approval of minutes from November's meeting
Motion made by Jolene, Motion Approved.

Old Business:

December meeting was our Christmas Party & Annual Elections

On December 6th unanimous vote as follows:

President - Nancy Lane

Vice President - Kevin Kosse

Secretary - Jill Lindsay

Treasurer - Cookie Peterson

Board of Directors - Jolene Clemmons, Cindy Johnson & Jackie McNeil

Also on December 6th we held our Dog Wash Fundraiser and earned roughly \$245

President's Report

For some educational information, Nancy talked about and read excerpts from the article "Spay, Neuter and Joint Disease," by Dana Scott. Primarily highlighted issues with early spaying, such as abnormal growth, hip dysplasia, osteosarcoma & risk for cancer. Finding that the same hormones for reproduction affect growth. Suggested a two year minimum before spaying/neutering.

Vice President's Report

Kevin passed out copies of drafts for three bills going up for review at the 64th Legislative Assembly of North Dakota in the House.

House Bill 1191: renters can be asked by a landlord to request documentation for service or assistance animals.

House Bill 1192: landlords can charge a pet security deposit no greater than \$2500 or two months of rent.

House Concurrent Resolution 3010: identification of a legitimate service/assistance animal to distinguish them from companion animals.

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Kevin also discussed our online presence.

1. We have two Yahoo email lists.

Barb is maintaining the BKC group, which is public and does NOT require membership approval & Meg has been maintaining the Bismarck Kennel Club, which is restricted & does require membership approval. A "how to" sheet was passed around for members to connect to those email lists.

2. We have to contact AKC to update our information on their website.

3. We also need to create more interest with our own website. We need to keep up to date on our information, upcoming events, photos and brags. If you have something to share, please send photos and information to Kevin's email address.

4. Reengineer in our website. Add retail options. Set up links of retailers & their affiliate programs, visitors click on to the sites through our website to shop & club gets a percentage of \$. This will be up to vote by our membership.

Treasurer's Report

Dues are due as soon as possible. Lifetime for \$200. Family for \$45/yr. Individual for \$30/yr.

Onofrio finally sent the money owed.

Avon fundraiser accumulated \$150

We are in the black.

New Business:

Intro to Rally Class

Barb contacted Jeri Fischer about the use of the 4-H Building for our upcoming Intro to Rally class we are offering for the public. The building will cost \$25/hr. With a \$500 deposit & \$40 cleaning fee plus \$350 at the start of classes, we will need to have participants pay for a total of \$50 per dog for the class upfront. The class will be held March 4 to April 15 from 7-9. We will need to advertise.

Sports Show Coat Check - Jolene will contact Stacy Lang at the Tribune to see if we can do coat check again this year. The dates are Feb. 20, 21, and 22 this year. Will need volunteers once we get approval.

Dog Show

Nancy has been in contact with Onofrio about a set of used mats. They cannot be delivered except at a show they are superintending. We will find out if we can pick them up in Fargo or Billings. Measuring 4x40, we will need enough for an obedience/rally ring. Motion made by Meg to purchase the mats. Second motion made by Kevin. Motion approved.

Paper application was sent into AKC for Approval for a 2nd show on Saturday. This has not been posted online yet.

Per AKC policy, we need to put a limit in writing for entries in Obedience & Rally. It has been determined there be a limit of 60 dogs for Rally and 40 dogs for

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obedience. There will also be a limit of 350 for each conformation show. Cindy has been working on the Judge's schedule.

Membership Report

We had a second reading for Cindy Auen.

Braggs

Jackie - Dixie got a 5 Point Major at St. Paul, photo will be uploaded onto website.
Nancy - Shared photos of a few of her puppies with their new families; 1 Granddog participated in its 3rd show ever & received Winner's Bitch, at the 4th show again Winner's Bitch, 5th show it got Reserve.

Meeting Adjourned 3:30 p.m.

Attendance:

Nancy Lane
Meg Dollinger
Barb Plum
Dave Plum (Guest)
Jolene Clemmons
Jackie McNeil
Kevin Kosse
Myra Kosse
Jill Lindsay

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