Tanana Valley Kennel Club Board Meeting November 30, 2020 Minutes

Board Meeting of the Tanana Valley Kennel Club was called to order at 6:17 pm on November 30, 2020 by President Leslie Lewis via Zoom. Board members present were Jessica Bennett, Carol Haas, Leslie Lewis, Jimmie Ricks, Stuart Roberts, Mary Ann Robinson, Jen Schutte and Wendy Uzzell. Linda Bode was absent. Also present were members Kimberlee Beckmen, Crystal Dennis, Becky Gatterdam and Lisa Vaughn

Wendy moved that the agenda be approved. Mary Ann seconded. Motion carried.

Membership Agenda Item—Kimberlee mentioned that the club needs to have scent work matches before it can offer an AKC Scent Work Trial. Becky commented that the club needs to have fun matches before it can have a sanctioned match. She also mentioned that the club should purchase a heavy-duty cart to move sandbags

Consent Agenda—Mary Ann moved, and Jessica seconded to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried.

Officer and Committee Reports

Treasurer—Stuart indicated that there was not much to report. He is wrapping up last fiscal year's books.

Publicity—Wendy indicated that she got the newsletter out. She is asking for material for the next newsletter.

May Show—Becky indicated that she submitted the application to AKC for four shows and four obedience/rally trials for the upcoming Memorial Day weekend.

Unfinished Business

Leslie reminded board members and committee chairs to work on the checklist for their position. She started on the President's checklist and distributed it via email as an example.

The Calendar policy that had been distributed was discussed and approved.

At the general meeting preceding this meeting, the budget for three March 6-7 Rally trials was approved. There will also be Rally fun matches in January and February.

New Business

Scent Work Matches--In order to put on Scent work trials, the club would have to first offer scent work fun matches and then AKC sanctioned scent work matches. Peggy Beagle previously mentioned that the fun matches could be held in conjunction with the Rally fun matches.

Chena Flood Control Project—Leslie mentioned that the club had received a letter from Senator Murkowski's office about the flood control project. It was mentioned that other clubs had also received such a letter. Becky suggested that TVKC work with other clubs such as the Fairbanks Retriever Club as well as the pointing dog club to maintain access to the flood control project for dog activities.

Spring Classes—Jimmie reported that Janet Brown will teach an obedience class and Lori Kunz and Susan Parsons will teach a conformation handling class. Classes will begin in mid-February.

The next board meeting will be held via Zoom at 6 pm on Monday December 28.

Respectfully submitted, Carol Haas Recording Secretary

Officer/Committee Reports

President's report 11/27/2020—Leslie Lewis

- 1. Coordinated with Sheri, Candy, and Nicki regarding rally proposal.
- 2. Reviewed and recommended changes to proposed rally budget.
- 3. Researched rules on compensating instructors on AKC website. Did not find answers so emailed our AKC rep. It will be a few days before I hear back due to Thanksgiving holidays.
- 4. Received feedback from members praising this board for its hard work.
- 5. Received feedback from members who are in support of rally, but very much dislike the rushed process. Explained my thinking.
- 6. Continuing to look for long term rental options for classes and events.
- 7. Pondering how to ask my radio and tv contacts for partnership in promotion.

I really appreciate everyone who reaches out to me with questions and offers to help! I have the sense that this club will be experiencing significant growth in dog sports in the coming few years. There will be accompanying growing pains that we must anticipate and not get thrown off by, but I believe the future of this club is bright.

Membership—Mary Ann Robinson

We have 134 voting members and 6 juniors.

As for annual plates and honor roll plaques: Sent the information to the trophy company. They will send proofs before they manufacture them.

Working on the checklist right now.