

Tanana Valley Kennel Club  
Annual Meeting  
September 2021  
Minutes

The September 2021 Annual Membership Meeting of the Tanana Valley Kennel Club was called to order at 6:32 pm on September 1, 2021 by President Leslie Lewis at the J.P. Jones Center. Present were: Sue Acquistapace, Peggy Beagle, Kimberlee Beckmen, Jessica Bennett, Lisa Bishop, Pat Bortner, Joyce Gardella, Rebecca Gatterdam, Carol Haas, Sally Hinzman, Michaela Krohn, Lori Kunz, Leslie Lewis, Susan Parsons, Stuart Roberts, Mary Anne Robinson, Nicki Stewart, Kathy Tucker, and Wendy Uzzell.

Stuart moved and Wendy seconded to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Rebecca moved and Nicki seconded to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried.

**Report of the Board**—Leslie isn't sure what this should be, but brought up highlights of the past year, such as having additional Rally trials that are held at times other than in connection with the May show. Scent Work is going strong with sniff n goes, matches, and the club's first Scent Work Trial scheduled to be held in October. Agility has added additional classes such as the ISC classes.

**Treasurer's report**—Copies of the financial reports were available for members. Stuart asked if there were any questions. Leslie thanked Stuart for setting up online payment on the club's website. Kathy Tucker asked him about paying for agility training groups online.

### **Committee Reports**

**Agility**—Nicki reported that the fall Agility Committee meeting was held August 24. There will be a run through held Sept 19 at Camp Liwa with Agility trials Sept 24-26. Training groups start Sept 27.

**General Education**—Jimmie was absent, but Leslie commented that he is working on getting classes set up. It was suggested that there be a fun match in the fall as well as the spring.

**May Show**—Rebecca reported that the May shows were successful. Sue is working on getting judges, especially Herding Group judges..

**Tracking/Scent Work**—Peggy reported that the Tracking Tests will be held Sept 10-12. She commented that it is difficult to get judges for the advanced levels. Kimberlee reported that entries are coming in for the Scent Work trials to be held Oct 2-3 at Pioneer Park.

**Rally**—Candy sent the following report. The Rally trials will be held Oct 23-24 with the Premium List coming out Sept 6. The Mallory Wetherington seminar was very well attended. Nicki complimented the Rally committee for what they have accomplished so far.

**Election of Board of Directors**—The Nominating committee reported that the following individuals have been nominated for positions on the Board of Directors: 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, Jimmie Ricks; Treasurer, Lisa Vaughn; Recording Secretary, Susan Parsons; Director at Large—Publicity, Lisa Bishop. There were no nominees for Director at Large—Electronic Communications. Leslie asked for nominations from the floor, but there were none. Sally moved and Michaela seconded to elect the slate of nominees. Motion carried.

The Board of Directors for the club year of 2021-2022 including continuing as well as newly elected are as follows: President, Leslie Lewis; 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President—Education, Jimmie Ricks; 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President—Membership, Mary Ann Robinson; Treasurer, Lisa Vaughn; Recording Secretary, Susan Parsons; Director at Large—Publicity, Lisa Bishop; Director at Large—Electronic Communications, vacant.

### **Unfinished Business**

**Bonfire**—Jessica reported that the bonfire will be Sat. Sept 18 at 4 pm at the Chena Pump Wayside. The club will provide the making for S'Mores. Members should bring sticks for roasting, beverages, chairs etc and anything else they would like to eat. Families and leashed dogs are welcome.

### **New Business**

**Budgets**—The budget process is coming up. Officers and Committee chairs need to turn in draft budgets to the Treasurer by Oct 1, so the Board can begin work on this coming year's budget.

**Member Businesses**—Leslie commented that it is unfortunate that the club cannot support member businesses financially. She wants to meet with an attorney about making changes to our governing documents to make it possible for the club to support member businesses. The club could support a fundraiser for a member business, but not run it.

**Linda Bode Memorial**—Carol moved and Sally seconded that the club make a Linda Bode Memorial to be placed at the Ester Community Park. Carol suggested planting a tree in her honor. A bench in her honor was also suggested. Lori will look into a bench. Motion carried.

**Member Comments**—Stuart suggested that new members get a shirt when joining the club. It was suggested that the club needs to do more merchandizing such as selling shirts, bags, etc to help with publicity of the club.

Lori commented that she has Linda Bode's agility equipment. It was suggested that it be raffled off at meetings as an incentive for members to come to meetings.

Stuart moved to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 7:32 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Haas  
Recording Secretary