

Sioux Empire Kennel Club General Membership Meeting
Tuesday, January 9, 2024, 7pm

The Sioux Empire Kennel Club met for its monthly membership meeting on Tuesday, January 9, 2024, at the clubhouse. President Karen Bos-Carey called the meeting to order at 7:06pm. Visitors both in person and via Zoom were introduced and welcomed.

Guest Speaker – Dr. Jennifer Bosch from Horizon Pet Care provided information on the respiratory illness that is affecting dogs. Bordatella and pneumonia are secondary infections. Puppies can get a Bordatella vaccine at eight weeks; Dr. Bosch recommends a Bordatella booster every six months. Ask your vet whether the new canine flu shot is recommended for your dog.

President's Report –

- The non-member policy has been updated to allow non-members in the spectator area. SEKC assumes no liability for injuries.
- The AKC Code of Sportsmanship has been posted in several places in the building. Please take the time to read them; we hope everyone will pledge to commit to this at SEKC as well.
- A copy of the bylaws and the clubhouse use policy will be emailed to everyone in the club.

Vice President's Report – classes are loaded on the calendar; looking for new speakers and will place the Scent Work Trial on the calendar.

Secretary's Report – Briana Painter, Rachel Runge, Sadie McDonald and Don Meyers were voted on and approved as a new member. Welcome Briana, Rachel, Sadie and Don! First reading for Rebecca Harris who introduced herself.

Treasurer's Report – Dee reported amounts in the club's checking and investment portfolio.

Reports of Committees

- Audit: Patty Washnok is the chair. The report is due to the Board of Directors February 27.
- Awards Banquet, Thursday, April 25 - Cindy Bailey
- Membership
 - Committee creating a list of members which will be mailed out to everyone in the club when it is complete
 - A list will be compiled of folks who get the door code. We will notify everyone before we change the door code.
- Classes
 - CGC scholarships funds still available. The conditions are that the evaluator participates in 2 events after becoming an evaluator.
- Facebook – Facebook recently had a major update pages and the SEKC page was shut down because they deemed it to be a business page. I have attempted to resolve this issue with Facebook but it looks like we are going to have to create a new page. We may be able to merge the new and old pages, is TBD.

- Events
 - Agility Seminar with Ami Scheffield, February 17. (Reminder: there will be no classes on this date.)
 - Summer Picnic, July 9
 - Summer Obedience and Rally Trial, July 20 and 21 at the Clubhouse
 - Agility Trial August 9 – 11; Sports Dome
 - New Scent Work Trial August 23 – 25 at Inspiration Hills
 - Smoken Dakota Kennels Dog Trick or Treat booth, Tuesday, October 15
 - Fall Shows, OB/Rally Trials and Health Clinic, October 24 – 27
 - Christmas Party – December 10

New Business

- Please make sure to wipe shoes before walking on the new flooring to keep rocks and dirt from collecting on the mats
- There are free crates available on the counter still
- T-shirts are for sale, please place payment in an envelope with note so treasurer knows where to apply funds and put in the slot in the door

Motion to adjourn 8:40 Kris second Ginny

New Expenses Reimbursement online form is on the SEKC website front page:

<https://fs27.formsite.com/sekc/0wcaiegeew/index>