

SEKC Board of Directors Meeting Agenda *Minutes*

November 28, 2023

Establish Quorum Status

- Attendance: Karen Bos-Carey, Ginny Beck, Tracy Duff, Jamie Worrall, Leah Hanson, Ericka Erickson and Latisha Woods
- Introduce guests: Rachel Weelborg and Dee Isakson

Reading and approval of minutes of Board meeting of June 27, 2023 and September 26, 2023 (No meeting in October) Motion made and approved.

Report of President – Karen Bos-Carey

- Dog Flu 2023 (aka canine influenza virus or CIV); Email information to our members and put up signs reminding everyone not use someone else's crate and to sanitize their crate and equipment when they leave.
- Dee confirmed that she will be the Treasurer for the full two-year term.
- ****NEW information**** Candidates can pull their own free credit report: [Consumer Financial Protection Bureau](#). Three steps would be involved in getting the background and credit checks for a future Treasurer:
 1. Ask the person to go to the Minnehaha County Clerk of Courts to pull their own local background check.
 2. If anything in that report is questionable, SEKC will proceed with a comprehensive background check through the Office of the SD Attorney General.
 3. Have the candidate to pull their credit report at [Consumer Financial Protection Bureau](#).
- Have been invited to talk about SEKC at the Career and Technical Education Academy (CTE) It was suggested that Tracy join Karen.

Report of Secretary – Tracy Duff

- Review of membership applications
- Plan of transition of materials, duties to Rachel Weelborg

Report of Treasurer – Jamie Worrall

- Statement of Financial Position and Statement of Activity review / Investments Status
- Plan of transition to Dee Isakson

Report of Vice-President – Ginny Beck

- Online Calendar
- Programs

Reports of Committees

- Audit — Patty Washnok has agreed to chair; she will find two other members to work with her and arrange a meeting with Jamie and Dee after 2023 financials are ready. The report has to be presented to the Board on February 27 then to the membership in March.

- Building — New mats are in and they look great!
 - Karen is looking for border to prevent a tripping hazard.
 - A motion was made and passed authorizing Leah to spend up to \$500 on a robotic vacuum and extra filters to reduce the time and effort of keeping the new mats clean.
 - A motion was made and passed to formalize a policy that SEKC equipment is not to be removed from the building without Board approval. A sign will be posted with the new policy.
 - An update was made to the nonmember policy: Nonmembers are welcome to visit the clubhouse but must remain in the spectator area. SEKC assumes no liability for injuries. The updated policy will be included in the sign on the entry door.

- Finance

- Fundraising – Based on the info Suze Frentz shared, a new clubhouse would cost about \$1 million and we'd also have to raise funds for ongoing expenses. Can we do this? Do we need to hire someone to do it for us? Is now the time to start? If so, we need to appoint a committee chair and get the process moving.
 - Refer to [Sioux Falls Business Journal article](#) and [Minnehaha County Resolution](#) in regard to Minnehaha County's quest to gain a clear title to the fairgrounds property. (Article on [Knife River's purchase offer](#).)
 - Here are a few fundraising ideas:
 - [Find the Queen of Hearts](#) (Terry Bader)
 - [Give Butter](#)
 - [Greater Giving](#)
 - [Sioux Falls Area Community Foundation "Giving Depot"](#)

- Membership
 - Have all new members been added to the spreadsheet? (See below)
 - Membership renewal link sent out; will send out again prior to December 12 membership meeting and after Christmas

- Facebook

- Website – Posted links for membership renewal, awards form and the new expense form

- Classes
 - Three people have requested \$100 scholarship funds for becoming CGC instructors
 - 2024 classes: Rachel gave an update on the classes to be held.

- SEKC Delegate to AKC – Bill Burggraaf

- 2023 Events
 - Smoken Dakota Kennels Dog Trick or Treat booth reviewed; Tuesday, October 17, 2023. A free SEKC class was given away; we spent about \$150 on dog treats, candy, a banner and other supplies. We had a riot and people were happy to pose for photos for our Facebook page.
 - Fall Shows, OB/Rally Trials/Health Clinic/ Meet the Breeds Reviewed – October 25 – 29
 - Christmas Party – December 12; SEKC will provide a main dish; if we have a quorum present we will call a short meeting to provide first readings of new applicants.

- 2024 Events
 - Awards Banquet – In 2023, members paid \$15 and guests paid \$20 for dinner and SEKC covered the remainder of each meal cost. The meals were paid upfront through Formsite. An option to attend just the awards segment was added. Do we want to do this the same way in 2024? The consensus of the Board was to do this again in 2024.

Unfinished business

- New insurance research: no update
- Furnace/AC cleaning: no update

New business

- Move December Board meeting from December 26 to January 2
- Lifetime Member, Member, New Member and Junior Member of the year votes. We still have nominations from previous years for Lifetime member: don't send out request in 2023; Karen will send to the Board for review
- New entry mats purchased.

Adjournment