

SEKC Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

December 26, 2023 postponed to January 2, 2024

Establish Quorum Status and Call Meeting to Order at 7:06pm

- Attendance: Karen Bos-Carey, Ginny Beck, Rachel Weelborg, Dee Isakson, Ericka Erickson, Latisha Woods, Leah Hanson and Gretchen Starnes
- Introduce guests
 - Kathy DeSchepper presented an Agility Seminar Proposal for February 17, 2024
A motion was made by Leah, seconded by Ericka to approve the seminar.
 - Shannon Lofswold, Jackie Potter and Jenny Martens presented a Scent Work Trial Proposal for August 23-25, 2024
A motion was made to approve the event with the condition that the committee budgets for and purchases an Additional Certificate of Insured and confirms with Inspiration Hills that the venue will be totally responsible for booking all rooms. Motion passed.

Reading and approval of minutes of Board meeting of November 28 (not available)

Report of President – Karen Bos-Carey

- Updated the rules sign for the clubhouse door; printed, laminated and posted the AKC Code of Sportsmanship and the materials/equipment sign in several locations at the clubhouse. (see below)
- Talked about the AKC and SEKC at the Career and Technical Education Academy (CTE). This might be a good avenue to follow up on to get stewards for future shows.

Report of Secretary – Rachel Weelborg

- Review of membership applications
- Update of membership list ongoing. The membership tracker has dates people joined the club.
- Rachel will contact Tracy Duff to finalize handing over the reins of Secretary

Report of Treasurer – Dee Isakson

- Statement of Financial Position and Statement of Activity review / Investments Status
- How did the various events do financially in 2023? Jamie provided a breakdown of the Fall Show financials to Kevin Woods. All other committees can look at the financials and building their own breakdowns because all of the event income and expenses are listed individually.
- Dee will meet with Jamie to learn the new software and procedures.

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 — Karen continues to look for a border/transition strip for the mats to prevent a tripping hazard
- Finance

- Fundraising – Need to appoint a committee chair and get the process moving; anyone from the Board willing to step up to chair? Have any other members been approached / volunteered?
- Membership
 - Rachel and Janet Bartosh will take over responsibility as co-chairs.
 - We still need to contact Lifetime members to remind them to “renew” using the “Lifetime” code.
- Facebook
 - The SEKC page was permanently suspended due to the performance of e-commerce on a personal page. All three attempts at restoration/review have been ignored. There is no one to talk with at Facebook.
 - Need to open a business page; may be able to merge the new page with the old.
- Website – No update
- Classes
 - Three people have received \$100 scholarship funds for becoming CGC instructors: Latisha Woods, Leah Hanson and Jennifer Hauger.
 - Leah Hanson and Karen Bos-Carey have also submitted applications to be Fetch! Judges. If you are interested, the \$20 fee is waived through January 31.
 - 2024 classes: Rachel Weelborg shared that some class dates needed to be updated. Class registration starts January 5. No class on February 17. Karen mentioned that Board meetings in January and February should be Zoom only so as not to interfere with classes.
 - There may be a lack of instructors for the summer session due to many wanting to take the summer off.
- SEKC Delegate to AKC – Bill Burggraaf
- 2023 Events
 - Christmas Party review. Everyone had a good time. A short meeting was called to offer first readings for several member applicants.
- 2024 Events
 - Agility Seminar, February 17; Clubhouse
 - Summer Picnic – July 9; location TBD
 - Summer Obedience and Rally Trial – July 20 & 21; Clubhouse
 - Agility Trial – August 9-11; Sport Dome
 - Scent Work Trial – August 23-25; Inspiration Hills
 - Smoken Dakota Kennels Dog Trick or Treat booth – Tuesday, October 15
 - Fall Shows, OB/Rally Trials and Health Clinic – October 21-27
 - Christmas Party – December 10; location TBD
 - FAST CAT / Barn Hunt / Farm Dog / ATT / FIT Dog club, classes and events / Fetch! / Handling Seminar with Valerie Nunes-Atkinson (Tracy Duff) / Stretches and Strength Training Seminar with Dr. Kristina Mott (Stacy Einck-Paul)

Unfinished business

- New insurance research: no update
- Furnace/AC cleaning: Have requested an update from the vendor

New business

- ADA ramp for Clubhouse entrance – Karen will research this
- Lifetime Member, Member, New Member and Junior Member of the year votes.

Adjournment