

RICHMOND DOG OBEDIENCE CLUB, INC.
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
June 13, 2023

The meeting of the Board of Directors of the Richmond Dog Obedience Club took place on Tuesday, June 13, 2023 at the club building on Tomlynn Street. The meeting was called to order at 6:36 p.m.

The following Board Members were present:

President: Peter Lenk (2023)

Vice President: Michele Gillette (2023)

Corresponding Secretary: Merilynn Bergstresser (2023)

Training Directors: Carisa Whelan (2022/2023)

Recording Secretary: Susan Altimore (2023)

Treasurer: Rocky Altimore (2023)

Member at Large: Diane Lenk (2022/2023), Jeanette Makowskyj (2022/2023), Judi Edwards (2023/2024), Kara Kolster (2023/2024)

Board Members absent: None

The following guests were present: Donna Crumpler

Minutes of the last meeting: The minutes of the May 2023 board meeting were approved. Michele Gillette made a motion to approve the minutes of the last board meeting; the motion was seconded by Judi Edwards, and passed on verbal vote.

Report of the Secretaries:

Corresponding Secretaries Report: None

Recording Secretaries Report: None

Report of the Treasurer: None

Report of Committees

-Trials and Events:

- Michele Gillette reported the trial paperwork from the show secretary for the June 2023 Rally and Obedience trials is expected by the end of the week. Trial set up is on Friday, June 23, volunteers are welcome. The December Rally and Obedience trials have designated the show secretary and the judges.

-Training:

- Carisa Whelan started a discussion concerning possible new classes, classes members would prefer and classes for pet dog owners and how to manage the income stream so the club can afford to pay our bills. She also mentioned that additional instructors are needed for all classes.

- Michele Gillette made a motion to designate \$200 for the purchase fans for the training spaces. 2nd by Judi Edwards. Motion passed on verbal vote. Carisa Whelan will purchase the fans.

Unfinished Business:

- Carisa Whelan made a motion that the Board approves \$500 for new crates, crate trays and training equipment. 2nd by Kara Kolster. The motion passed on verbal vote.

Presentation of Applications for Membership: None.

New Business:

- Judi Edwards reported on Leslie McDevitt's Control Unleashed Seminar she had recently attended and the possibility of bringing the seminar to RDOC. The cost of the seminar would be approximately \$2000 plus cost of mileage or senior dog care. It would be a 2 day seminar with 1 additional day of private consults. There would be 10 working spots priced at \$175, and unlimited active participant audit spots priced at \$80 - \$100. Registration will be processed on the RDOC website and would open to RDOC members 24 hours ahead of the general public. Carisa Whelan made a motion to bring Leslie McDevitt's Control Unleashed seminar to RDOC on Saturday and Sunday 10/7 and 10/8. 2nd by Kara Kolster. The motion passed on verbal vote.
- Judi Edwards started a discussion concerning club monthly meetings and that the club By-Laws state 'The Club shall hold at least six regular meetings each year', and should we make a change to meet every other month instead of monthly as we do now. Judi Edwards and Michele Gillette will review the Standing Rule and By-Laws and get back with the Board concerning the impact on our current procedures and possible changes to our Standing Rules and By-Laws.
- Judi Edwards started a discussion concerning if the club should purchase AEDs for our training spaces.
- Rocky Altimore presented a request from Cathy Foldesi to borrow a box of show baby gates for two days for the Havana Silk Dog Association of America (HSDAA) National to be held in Richmond on Thursday and Friday, August 24 and 25. The gates will be used indoors and Cathy Foldesi will guarantee their safety. The gates will be picked up on Thursday, August 24 and returned Friday evening, August 25. Rocky Altimore made a motion to allow Cathy Foldesi to borrow a box of show baby gates for two days for the Havana Silk Dog Association of America (HSDAA) National to be held in Richmond on Thursday and Friday, August 24 and 25. 2nd by Judi Edwards. The motion passed on verbal vote.

Adjournment: Carisa Whelan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was 2nd by Kara Kolster and passed on verbal vote. The meeting was adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Altimore, Recording Secretary

Minutes approved as amended 7/18/2023