

**RICHMOND DOG OBEDIENCE CLUB, INC.**  
**BOARD MEETING MINUTES**  
**December 8, 2020**

The meeting of the Board of Directors of the Richmond Dog Obedience Club took place on Tuesday, December 8, 2020 at the club building on Tomlynn Street. The meeting was called to order at 6:39 p.m.

**The following Board Members were present:**

President: **Peter Lenk** (2020)

Vice President: **Kim Bolster** (2020)

Corresponding Secretary: **Cathy Foldesi** (2020)

Training Directors: **Valerie Pascal** (2019/2020), **Nicole Allen** (2020/2021)

Recording Secretary: **Susan Altimore** (2020)

Treasurer: **Rocky Altimore** (2020)

Member at Large: **Emily Chambers** (2020/2021), **Les Foldesi** (2020/2021), **Betty Swenson** (2019/2020),

Open position (2019/2020)

The following **guests were present:** **Mary Ann Massie**, **Rhea McCaffrey**, **Ellen McNelly**, **Linda Heimiller**

**Report of the President:** President Peter Lenk welcomed the new board members and thanked the current members for their service.

**Minutes of the last meeting:** Valerie Pascal made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 2020 Board meeting; the motion was seconded by Cathy Foldesi, and passed on verbal vote.

**Report of the Secretaries:**

**Corresponding Secretaries**

- Cathy Foldesi reported she has been in touch with Linda Downey. Linda is feeling better and Cathy sent her a fruit basket.
- Cathy Foldesi sent a card to Janie and Al Robertson for the loss of Al's favorite Sheltie.

**Recording Secretaries Report:** none

**Report of the Treasurer:** Rocky Altimore reported financial information for November 2020:

Income	\$3,653.70
Expenses	\$5,775.81
Net income (loss)	\$(2,122.11)

The Farm Dog Certification produced a net income of \$582.84.

The FCAT produced a net income of \$451.67.

We are projected to have a net operating loss for the year 2020. The total assets of the club are valued at \$155,000.00

**Report of Committees**

**Agility Trial:**

- Our 2 day Agility Trial is planned for March 2021 at Level Up Dog Sports with a maximum of 300 runs per trial.

**Buildings and Grounds:**

- Les Foldesi is planning to work on the lights in our spaces.

**Historian:**

- Member awards for titles earned during 2020 will be given out at the January 2021 membership.

**Trials and Events:**

- Our Rally and Obedience trials are currently on schedule for February 20 & 21, 2021.
  - There are concerns of possible cancellations. AKC has some guidance available and the situation needs to be watched carefully. Cancellation before the closing date is easier than after. Our closing date is 2/3/2021.
- The January 17, 2021, Beginning Scent workshop has sold out all working spots, there are still 8 audit spots remaining. A beginning nose work class is planned soon after the workshop.
- Nicole Allen and Theresa Meyers are working on setting up a 3 day CAT and FCAT on March 19-21, 2021. CAT and FCAT using 2 fields. Nicole Allen is working with the county to get 2 fields reserved, and the event applications.
- Valerie Pascal reported Janie Simmons has rented the building on 1/9/2021 for an ORT test. Valerie has the contract and payment.

**Tracking:**

- Our Tracking trial scheduled for March 2021.

**Training:**

- Valerie Pascal is concerned about the changing COVID situation and posting classes starting in January 2021. If January classes need to be cancelled due to COVID restrictions, the Treasurer will issue refunds. Classes starting in January 2021 will be posted after the Governors update later this week.

**Web Site:**

- Rocky Altimore reported the website will send emails for dues notices and payment will be via our website. Nicole Allen will provide member key information.
- Since we have moved to our new website, the services provided by Nancy Pearce have been terminated.

**Unfinished Business:** none

**Presentation of Applications for Membership:** none

**New Business:**

- Ellen McNelly thanked Les Foldesi for the information he shared with all the board members and the calendar of events for the club. Discussion followed concerning the transfer of knowledge and records from outgoing board members to new board members.

- Ellen McNelly had a concern about disaster recovery of important club documents. Discussion followed and important club documents are safely protected.
- Les Foldesi contacted Edmund Blausten concerning the December Pawprint, there has been no response.
- Valerie Pascal reported that yahoo groups are going away. These groups were used to advertise club events. All yahoo groups are gone and some have move to 'io' groups. As a club we are not going to initiate a group but could use someone else's group if one develops.
- MaryAnn will work on 2021 committee chairs.
- The January 2021 meeting is scheduled for 1/5/2021 in person. Valerie Pascal made a motion to ZOOM the Board of Directors meeting on 1/12/2021 to be a ZOOM meeting. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Nicole Allen, motion carried on verbal vote. Nicole Allen will handle setting up the ZOOM meeting.

**Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn made by Les Foldesi, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Nicole Allen, motion carried on verbal vote. The meeting was adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Susan Altimore, Recording Secretary

Minutes approved as amended \_\_\_1-12-21\_\_\_\_\_