

RICHMOND DOG OBEDIENCE CLUB, INC.
MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES
MAY, 2021

The monthly meeting of the Richmond Dog Obedience Club took place on Tuesday, May 4, at the club building on Tomlynn Street. Vice President Mary Ann Massie called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. 14 members were present and 15 attended via ZOOM.

Valerie Pascal introduced our 4 guests: Carisa Whelan, Carmen Vasquez, Pam Parent, and Beth Harris.

Minutes of the last meeting: On a motion by Les Foldesi, seconded by Valerie Pascal, the April 2021 minutes were approved as printed in the May Pawprint.

Report of the Board: none

Report of the President: none

Report of the Secretaries: Rhea McCaffrey has gotten thank you cards from Ellen McNelly, Susan Massart, and Ron Smith. Betty Swenson got one from tracking Judge Michele Gillette. All are posted on the bulletin board.

Treasurer's Report Rocky Altimore reported for April 2021:

Income	\$6054.01
Expenses	\$6587.87
Net (Loss)	(\$533.86)

Rocky said that training income for the month was excellent and that there were a few leftover expenses from the agility and FCAT events

Report of Committees

Buildings and Grounds: Valerie Pascal has purchased a new vacuum cleaner for the main training room; it just needs to be assembled.

Matches: Nicole Allen is setting up run-thrus for Sunday, June 27. Slots will be scheduled and sign-up will be on line.

Training: Valerie Pascal reported on several new class sessions starting, including Rally Novice starting May 11 at 2:30, Puppy starting May 19 at 2:30, two evenings of Conformation classes, and three sessions of CGC. All the CGC sessions filled very quickly. Class size limits have been increased by some instructors - this is at the discretion of the individual instructor.

Unfinished Business: none

New Business: Les Foldesi made a motion, seconded by Kitty Wells, to make Ron Smith an honorary member. The motion passed on a voice vote. Sally Feltner recommended asking Ron if he is interested in the honor - Rhea McCaffrey will send him a note.

Susan Massart requested the board consider relaxing the guidelines regarding spectators in the building during classes so as to allow family members to observe. She felt this was especially important for the puppy classes, to get the entire household on the same page for the puppy's training. Jody Montfort would also like for family to be allowed to watch her classes. The training directors have discussed this issue and it will be brought up at the next board meeting.

Sally Feltner asked the board to consider easing the building occupancy guidelines in general, not just for classes.

Deanne Hamilton offered to share the changes in policy regarding this issue that the YMCA is planning to make.

Braggs were offered by several members.

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn was made by Les Foldesi, 2nd by Kitty Wells.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Betty Swenson, Recording Secretary

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