

RICHMOND DOG OBEDIENCE CLUB, INC.
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
January 11, 2022

The meeting of the Board of Directors of the Richmond Dog Obedience Club took place on Tuesday, January 11, 2022 via Zoom. The meeting was called to order at 6:40 p.m. by President Peter Lenk.

The following Board Members were present:

President: Peter Lenk (2022)

Vice President: Michele Gillette (2022)

Corresponding Secretary: Rhea McCaffrey (2022)

Training Directors: Valerie Pascal (2021/2022), Carisa Whelan (2022/2023)

Recording Secretary: Deanne Hamilton (2022)

Treasurer: Rocky Altimore (2022)

Member at Large: Linda Heimiller (2021/2022), Jeanette Makowskyj (2022/2023), Ellen McNelly (2021/2022), Janie Robertson (2022/2023)

Board Members absent: none

The following guests were present: none

Minutes of the last meeting: Valerie Pascal made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 2021 board meeting; the motion was seconded by Michele Gillette and passed on verbal vote.

Report of the President: President Peter Lenk welcomed both new and old Board members to the meeting and apologized for having to cancel the December Membership meeting due to snow and power outages, making zoom impossible for many.

Report of the Secretaries:

Corresponding Secretaries Report: Rhea McCaffrey said she would send a list of all correspondence to Deanne Hamilton as it was an extensive list for the previous month.

The list received and discussed at the meeting included:

Sent flowers to Kimberly Osmonson who had an operation.

Sent sympathy cards to Jody Mountfort and Kitty Wells on the death of their sister.

Sent flowers to Jeanette Makowskyj after her operation.

We received a thank you letter from Morris Animal Foundation for our donation in memory of Mary Anne Massey's Addie.

We received additional thank you notes from Frank Hargrove Jr. and the Virginia War Memorial for our donation in memory of Frank Hargrove.

We also received a Christmas card from Dominion Mechanical.

All notes and cards will be placed on the bulletin board at the club.

Peter Lenk and Ron Smith were present at Sandra Yancy's memorial service to represent RDOC

Recording Secretaries Report: None

Report of the Treasurer: Since we did not have a membership meeting in December, Rocky Altimore reported for December 2021 and Year End 2021:

December 2021

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| Income | \$ 11,406.32 |
| Expenses | \$ 6,744.26 |
| Net gain | \$ 4,662.06 |

Year End 2021 (1/1/2021 – 12/31/2021)

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| Income | \$ 110,223.54 |
| Expenses | \$ 92,236.22 |
| Net gain | \$ 17,987.32 |

Training income has been doing excellent. Trials came back in 2021 and did well. Thanks to all that made that possible even through a pandemic year.

Dues notices went out early, with 64 having already paid their dues, contributing to the total profit for 2021.

Everything considered, RDOC had a very successful 2021 with a total profit of \$17,987.32 as compared to a net loss in 2020 of \$21,500. A huge change.

Report of Committees: Peter Lenk commented that with few Chairs on the Board, there would be limited reporting out this evening.

-Buildings and Grounds: no report.

-Matches: no report

-Membership and Orientation: no report or applications to vote on.

-Trials and Events: Ellen McNelly reported that there have been several emails going back and forth among committee members planning for the upcoming Agility Trial, March 26th & 27th 2022.

-Tracking: no report

-Training: Valerie Pascal reported that we had to push back two classes this week due to the inclement weather and instructor illness.

Jody Mountfort's Basic to start next week and Emily Chamber's Puppy will also start next week.

New Classes that are signing up now are Beth Goodbody's Training with Distractions.

Classes that will be added to the website soon include Rally on the 17th and Canine Good Citizen on the 19th.

Unfinished Business: Carisa Whelan reported that she had not received a copy of the current lease. The plan is for Carisa to take it to her friend, a Corporate Real Estate Broker, to determine what realistic

changes/requests RDOC might need to make when the next lease comes up for renewal. Peter Lenk stated that he would send a copy to her.

Valerie Pascal asked if we were going to require participants in classes to show proof of vaccination status. Peter Lenk said the club will continue to require mask wearing but will not check vaccination status.

New Business: Valerie Pascal made a motion to request no more than \$800 dollars for patches and pens for member's awards. Motion was seconded by Peter Lenk and passed by verbal vote.

It was also decided that the Instructor of the Year award, the Sportsmanship award and the President's award will be announced at the February Membership meeting.

Rocky Altimore made a motion to pay \$550 to Raymond Crump, our CPA, for the preparation of RDOC taxes. Valerie Pascal seconded the motion and it passed by verbal vote.

Rocky Altimore made a motion to pay \$48/year to upgrade from 100 free emails/month to 1000 emails/month. Valerie Pascal seconded the motion and it passed by verbal vote.

Carisa Whelan mentioned that there is an opportunity to get some replacement office furniture for the club for free. The furniture is only two years old and good quality AMQ. Peter Lenk said it was worth looking in to.

Valerie Pascal asked if Les Foldesi was still on the Building & Grounds committee and Peter Lenk said he was. She suggested we may want to involve Les in the discussion of the furniture.

Adjournment: 7:20 p.m., after a motion made by Valerie which was seconded by Rocky Altimore.

Respectfully submitted,
Deanne Hamilton, Recording Secretary

Minutes approved as amended 2/8/22 DH