

Collie Club of Colorado
Board Meeting Minutes
Nov. 15, 2017

Meeting called to order at 7:30 pm.

Attendees: Lynn Brown, Kelly Neeley, Chuck Crone, Peg mmmm
Shelley Bergstrasser, Cindy, Kathy Mesler

Lynn: Do we approve the last month's minutes that I made the changes to per Peg's request? Any objections? Approved as amended.

Officer's Reports:

No President's Report

Vice President absent at the time.

Old Business:

Lynn: The board voted through emails...Shelley, did you catch the emails about the show secretary for obedience? All board members voted to use Deb Lewis for April & June Obedience trials. Hopefully she will continue with this for a while.

I remember her stating she is not available for October. We have a little time. Finding a club member to be on site secretary might be prohibitive. I would like to check on that before we put it in.

LLC Sue Friegian?

I want to verify that the show secretary can't show. Want to verify that one of our club members don't want to do that. I would like to get October straightened out.

Kelly : Did Onofrio get back to you, Lynn? I kinda wonder what they charge for their service.

Lynn : They said they would contact me soon, but haven't. I will contact them by phone. We can deal with this in January or February; we have enough time.

Lynn : Cindy, we will back up and let you give the Treasurer's Report.

Cindy : I don't know what I would do without Kelly. She caught things I had missed. The total in the spread sheet was not included. \$87.00 is still outstanding to Peggy and was last month as well.

Peg : Something didn't take and I deposited it this time.

Cindy : I missed an outstanding check last month. I didn't count \$152.00 for the ribbons. The checkbook balance is correct for this month. Last month was not. I will revise the October report to reflect that. Many thanks to Kelly for her careful checking.

We have a couple of outstanding dues still out.

I sent out raw numbers to Kelly and Chuck for the show and to Patrick for the seminar. Looks like we made money.

Lynn : What should last month's numbers reflect for the balance?

Cindy : Should be \$5,929.09 for checkbook balance for October. The November bank balance should be \$7,791.27.

Lynn : If you don't mind, what does it look like for the show?

Cindy : I will get back to you.

Kelly : I think we will break even. We should have made money on the seminar. When I plug it in I will have questions for Cindy. Without putting in Mary Wells expenses for Buckhorn, I end up with \$240. We have to pay the city of Greeley \$1.50 per dog. They should be billing us for Mary's expenses because we shared. We don't typically share expenses with Buckhorn. Next year we won't. Buckhorn runs way ahead with their judges. That is why we were behind for 2018.

We will have to look at ways to make money because expenses are going up. Phyllis will be sharing lodging with her sister. As long as we are up with Buckhorn we have to pay \$4.00 per dog. Total of \$8.00 per dog fees because of Greeley. Plum Creek didn't charge us a fee. Should probably reach out to Val Manning?

Cindy : Hildy said she was secretary and would send us the bill and would pick up the fee for Island Grove. I haven't received anything from Val Manning.

So I should call her. But I should call Hildy first and let her know. If Hildy is correct we made out like bandits.

Kelly : If they aren't charging us, I would like to get something in writing.

Cindy : Do we want to ask if it's a one-time deal? If we do owe we should pay. Should we get a confirmation that we don't pay for this year and is it a one-time thing?

Kelly : For 2016 we paid them \$161 (for budget info.)

Lynn : Cindy, can you verify with Hildy and then contact Val Manning?

Cindy : I will do that. I don't know why they wouldn't charge us.

Lynn : Is the Treasurer's Report complete?

Cindy : I have said as much as I possibly can.

Kelly : Cindy, did you say everyone has paid their dues?

Cindy : No, three have not paid. There are a few people I have been reminding.

Kelly : The board needs to vote to extend . I think it is by January

Peg : They get September and October to pay. After that the board votes to give them an extension. We had to start enforcing the by-laws a year or two ago.

Cindy : The by-laws say termination of membership is based on the end of the fiscal year. If dues remain unpaid 60 days after that the board can vote for an additional year.

Kelly : The fiscal year shall begin on September 1st and end on August 31st.

Cindy : The grace period ends on January 1st. Right now people have 45 days left on their grace period. I am happy to find out if people want to remain members. I think we have to vote.

Kelly : I do as well.

Lynn : Leaving the names out will keep personal preference out. I move to extend 60 days.

Vote was unanimous for extension.

Lynn : New Business?

I would like to thank everybody for putting together the October specialty. I thought it went well.

Christmas Party – Patrick may be able to host; I will verify. Any suggestions? Should I send out an email?

Kelly : Would a Happy New Year Party be better received?

Lynn : There weren't a lot of people there last year, maybe 7? There was way too much food. Maybe it was too far north?

I would like to try to squeeze it in before the 1st. More people seem to come before Christmas.

Kelly : Just make sure it isn't over Eukanuba weekend.

Lynn : I will touch base with Patrick. If he can't host it I will send out an email.

Kelly, Do you want to address entry fee charges?

Kelly : I have to admit I really don't want to up fees. The new secretaries are up to \$4 or \$.25 per dog. I think we are looking at more than \$70 for rosettes. Obedience will see the increase more because of the rosettes. Their High-in-Trial is equivalent to our Best of Breed. We will be up to 6 big rosettes. We have to increase for Collies High-in-Trial. Any profit will be gone.

I don't think it is smart to up the \$28 fee. But we could go up \$2 for puppies, 2nd entry, etc.

Cindy : What will the incremental increase for rosettes be?

Kelly : Go from 2 rosettes to 12 rosettes. We only offered one for collies to go along with them.

Cindy : How much is a rosette?

Kelly : In 2017 we spent \$90 for six 21" long rosettes. We are looking at 16 collies and a total of nineteen classes. The fee increase is about \$50.

Once we increase rosettes we have to increase the trophies. Confirmation has more placements. High-in-Trial gets something comparable to Best of Breed.

Right now I have six large all-breed and six collie trophies. That is \$150.00. First place prize we are thinking \$2 for twenty classes. They want us to offer a new title award. A slip-lead has been suggested.

Lynn : April has already put in the \$23 fee to AKC for the application.

Is there any way we can give the Obedience people some choices? They could choose the amount of their judges' gifts, or to forego first place toys? Is that an option?

Kelly : I need to think on that. I would like them to have some choices, but it could make things more difficult. We don't have to make a decision now.

Lynn : I think the \$23 fee is reasonable for us to charge. It brings us in line with what other clubs are charging.

Cindy : One other thing – this is what we have to do for the AKC? We should explain to everyone what the choices are after we explain what we have to do.

We raised the second entry fee. We were very successful fund raisers at Greeley. The raffle and food made a fortune. The silent auction did well. We should continue – it helps to supplement.

Lynn : Should I ask April if she wants to collect items for a raffle?

Peg : With rally and obedience they buy 2-3 catalogs. They don't buy anything else.

Lynn : We could make the hospitality budget smaller.

Kelly : For the April trial we have control of the judges. April knows the importance of one in-state and one out-of-state judge. At buckhorn they were running all-breed trials. April said the club could make money off of this. I don't know about expenses.

June becomes too difficult – would it be worth it trading one event for another? I would like to provide some P & L records for her.

We could just put to April what the Obedience budget would be. The committee might be able to find the more value of the budget.

Lynn : I wasn't thinking of giving them the control of the whole budget! Someone should make a motion to increase the fees going forward. I make a motion that for 2018 we will raise the discounted entry fee for trials and confirmation from \$21 to \$23.

Cindy and Kathy seconded.

All were in favor. The fee increase was approved.

Cindy : I want to verify Kelly and Lynn's fundraising for the October show. Hospitality, catalog sales, and raffle income goes to the show. Silent auction supplemented the seminar.

Kelly : Motion to adjourn at 9:17pm.

Chuck : Seconded.

Meeting adjourned at 9:17pm.