

# **RSPWDC General Membership Meeting Minutes**

**June 29, 2015**

The RSPWDC General Membership Meeting at Can't Stop Smokin' BBQ in Chandler, AZ was called to order at 6:19 pm.

**Roll Call:** Karmen Booth, Michele Murphy, Cindy Jones, Amy Jones, Shelley Huston, Dan and Deana Suceava, Roger Arbuthnot, Lynn Nelson

**Approval of the minutes of the last meeting:** Tabled until received from Kelly Calhoun

**It was announced that Susan Myrick resigned as President of RSPWDC effective June 1, 2015. Per RSPWDC By Laws, Karmen Booth will now step into the roll of President.**

## **Report of President - Karmen Booth**

Karmen reported that she asked all Board members present for nominations to fill the roll of Vice President in light of the above. After a short discussion of two potential nominees today, the Board voted in Shelley Huston. We thank Shelley for accepting the nomination of Vice President.

## **Report of Vice President - (Vacant)**

No report

## **Report of Treasurer - Michele Murphy**

Michele reported the following transactions since our last meeting -

- \$400 was donated to the PWDC National Specialty for the creation of a raffle basket to support the national club.
- \$60 was paid to the PWDC National Specialty for a catalogue ad
- \$100 was donated to the PWDC owner/handler program
- Filed with Corporation Commission
- Our commercial liability insurance was paid and is effective through April/May, 2016
- Water workshop income was \$304.99. A donation in the same amount was made to PWDCF.
- The club's current bank balance was reported.

## **Report of Recording Secretary - Kelly Calhoun**

No Report

## **Report of Corresponding Secretary - Lynn Nelson**

- Lynn reported that hosting for our website is being transferred to GoDaddy and should be completed by the end of the summer. Dan Suceava offered to take a look at our current site and see if he can find a way to access the old photos so that we can have all our pages on the site look consistent.
- Lynn created an ad for the RSPWDC to be placed in the National Specialty catalogue, which she shared with all present.

### **Reports of Committees:**

#### ***Water Trial - Lauren McDermott (Absent)***

No Report

Karmen will send an email to Lauren requesting that a budget be forwarded to the Board within three weeks for review and approved.

#### ***Rescue - Michele Murphy***

- Michele reported that two rescues were placed and are happy and healthy.
- She received an inquiry last week to re-home a dog. The kennel was recognized and contacted and they (the kennel) are working on re-homing the dog.

#### ***AKC Sanctioning - Karmen Booth***

- Karmen reported that we will partner again with Superstition Kennel Club for our B match November 22<sup>nd</sup>, which will allow us to move forward in our sanctioning.
- Roger asked if we are holding a specialty this year and Michele indicated she and Lynn will be co-chairs.
- Roger provided a little information about the next Superstition Kennel Club show. The 2016 show will be held indoors at the AZ State Fairgrounds on the same weekend (March 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>). There will be no competition west of the Mississippi that weekend so they are hoping for a good turnout. Agility, barn hunt, obedience, rally, and specialty will all be on site. Pot-lucks will be allowed at the fairgrounds this year.
- Michele explained what a “supported entry” is to the membership.

#### ***Membership - Lynn Nelson***

- One new member application: VeNona and Art Berglund of Surprise, AZ
- Michele made a motion to accept the Household membership, second received by Cindy Jones. **Motion was unanimously approved.**

### **Board e-votes since the last meeting:**

May 9, 2015 - Motion passed with 5 yes and 1 no vote.

Motion by Michele Murphy: To accept the upgrade with the current web hosting provider (Luminary Strategies) which will allow us time to investigate other options for our web hosting service and site. Second received by Carol Arbuthnot.

Michele and Lynn explained the issue and the need for a new host.

### **Old Business:**

#### **Water Trial – Budget Needed for 2015**

See above

#### **AKC Match – when to hold/how to hold**

Briefly discussed above

**Water Work Equipment/Storage - discussion**

- Karmen discussed needs of equipment/boats and what has been put together. Discussion ensued about storage: lake = storage fee / someone's home = free
- Roger stated that they (the Arbuthnot's) would be willing to store the boat and give access to the Club. Logistics were discussed.
- We will move forward with researching storage options and fees or the option of storage at Arbuthnot ranch (location is about 50 minutes from Canyon Lake) as well as with equipment purchase - boat, steps, platform, and site markers and Karmen will ask members Lauren, Jan, and Pam for recommendations of boat size.

**Donation to PWDCA National Specialty - Approved at March 7 Board Meeting.** Michele to confirm that the donation was sent to Kim Beach not David Swank.

**New Business:**

***Policy and Procedure Manual - discussion***

- Karmen let everyone know that we are putting together a PPM manual, which includes the below and that they are out for edit.
- Board will approve and they will become part of the by-laws.
  - Annual Awards Program
  - Golden Oldies Program
  - Donor Recognition Program
  - Expense Reimbursement and Income Submittals

***General membership meetings - location options***

- Karmen asked for ideas for location options for General Membership Meetings.
- Lynn reported that there were three inquiries from Tucson and Northern Arizona to hold in their respective areas.
- Michele reminded members that this has been discussed before...with no given suggestions or options.
- Roger reminded us meetings are to be set locally, after work hours according to bylaws.
- Michele reiterated, if members want an event or meeting in their neck of the woods we need help in planning. Suggestions and ideas are always welcome.
- Michele talked about the grooming seminar and how nice it was to hold up in Camp Verde.
- Cindy asked if more people would attend if we had a speaker of interest. Michele noted that has been done in the past with only the board showing up.
- All present agreed that Can't Stop Smokin' BBQ Smokehouse in Chandler is a convenient locale for meetings held on the last Monday of the month.

**Adjournment:**

**Michele motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:22 pm. Seconded by all.**