

RSPWDC Meeting Minutes May 22, 2021

Meeting called to order via Zoom at 4:00

Roll Call:

Pam Barnett
Frank Baucom
Jim Beach
VeNona Berglund
Kathy Gropschupf
Lauren McDermott
John Murnane
Michele Murphy
Lynn Nelson
Mary Lou Oliver
Peggy Perkins
Jan Shirreffs
Mary Sosnowski
Tom Sosnowski
Janis Watts
Judy Weinstein
Mike Williams

Approval of the Minutes of the last meetings

Motion to approve the minutes from the meeting held on January 23, 2021 by Lynn, 2nd by Judy. All in favor, motion passed.

Motion to approve the minutes from the meeting held on March 27, 2021 by Lynn, 2nd by Judy. All in favor, motion passed.

Reports

Report of the President Lauren McDermott
Nothing to report

Report of the Vice President Sherri Horstman
Nothing to report

Report of the Recording Secretary Gail Gomez
Nothing to report

Report of the Corresponding Secretary Michele Murphy
Michele reminded the members of the notices she has sent by email.

Report of the Treasurer Lynn Nelson

- Lynn reported the current bank account balance is \$7878.94.
- **Recent Deposits:** \$50.00 (new membership dues)
- **Upcoming expenditures:**
 - Stehly & Wray (Tax preparation) - \$150.00
 - Equisure (Club insurance) - \$600.00
 - PWD Foundation (Memoriam for "Dylan" Jones) - \$50.00

Reports of Committees

AKC Sanctioning/Licensing Committee: Lynn reported that she has been in touch with the AKC and provided the attached summary of requirements and next steps.

Lynn will forward previously proposed bylaws changes/amendments to the ByLaws Review Committee. All changes/amendments were made in accordance with and recommended or required by the AKC for the purpose of becoming a sanctioned club. Also used for reference: The AKC published *How to Form an AKC-Accredited Dog Club*.

Membership

Nothing new to report.

Supported Entry

Saturday, February 5th, 2022 at the Heart of the Desert Classic, Arizona State Fairgrounds
Sweepstakes Judge: Krystal Marangon
Breed Judge: Ms Carol Brown
Budget to be prepared for Board/Membership approval

Water Trial

Lauren reported that a draft budget has been prepared and will be presented in the business section of the meeting.

New Member Applications

No new membership applications have been received.

Ongoing/unfinished Business

No club business has been voted on by the RSPWDC Board of Directors between meetings.

Motion to have a Portuguese Festa (potluck party) and club meeting to be hosted by the Sosnowsks on October 16, 2021 made and seconded with all in favor. Motion Passed.

New Business

Lauren presented the Draft 2021 Water Trial Budget (attached) and motioned to approve. Second by Frank. Motion passed with 2 abstentions and the rest in favor.

Janis mentioned that Becky Morin has discussed cohosting a National Specialty with other Regional clubs in the west, such as PWDCNC, SCPWDC and PNWPWDC. Discussion followed with no motions being made.

Meeting Adjourned at 5:15

2 Attachments

RSPWDC, Inc. AKC Licensing Status/Requirements to Move Forward

As of May 19, 2021

Prepared by: Lynn Nelson and Lyle Iverson-Harding

Accreditation Status to Date (for the Reduced Sanctioned Match Program):

- We are in the process of advancing to "A" status (**Note:** *We are working to become licensed to hold Conformation events only. An additional application and requirements must be filed and met for Performance events*)
- We have been in contact with our AKC representative as to our current status and how we proceed.
- A letter indicating our interest in moving forward has been sent to our representative.
- Our Bylaws must be amended and approved by the AKC. We have been in this process for several years. Last year our proposed, amended bylaws were not approved by the board and we are working on them again. A Bylaws review committee was formed at the beginning of 2021 year and minor recommendations were made to bring our communication, meeting, and membership areas current. Our AKC rep has indicated that we can submit these recommendations now for AKC approval as long as we submit a Letter of Intent to change our bylaws to conform with AKC requirements for the purpose of licensing. This will require double work on our part as far as updating and submitting to the AKC for approval, but it is what it is.
 - Once and if the proposed amendments by the Bylaws Review Committee are approved by the membership, they will need to be sent to Lynn for submission to the AKC.
 - Lynn will incorporate the amendments into our proposed, AKC recommended bylaws for review and approval by the board and our membership at a later time.
- An updated membership list of dues paid/voting members with letter designations for AKC Exhibitors (E) and Judges (J), along with years of experience as either, as well as an updated Officer list has been sent to our representative *based on the information we currently have in our membership records*.
- At least 25% of our current, voting membership must have at least 10 years exhibiting and/or judging experience in the sport (*this does not include Water Trials*).
 - Currently we have 50 club members and at least 17 of our members have 10+ years' experience as either an Exhibitor or Judge (*again, based on the information we have in our records*).
 - We will be sending an email to the membership asking for an update as to their status (as an Exhibitor and/or Judge) and years of experience in either area and update our file with the AKC.

- Once we hear back from our AKC representative we will either be approved to move forward or declined. We do not foresee the latter. From there we will be required to:
 - Submit a presentation to hold a Plan A (OA) match - at this time, we are required to hold one (1) A match. **This will require us to plan an A match from start to finish.**
 - Hold the match
 - Report on the match
- Following approval to move forward again, we will be required to submit another presentation requesting Licensing Status. This will require us to provide:
 - Membership status including officer information
 - Updated Bylaws/Constitution
 - Proof of activities other than matches
 - A list of facilities, with diagrams in our area that are suitable for license events.

Once approved for AKC Licensing, the club can then hold Regional Specialties. If licensing for Performance is wanted by the club, additional applications must be made.

Please be reminded that AKC Licensing for the RSPWDC has been an ongoing process since 2011. It has stalled many times over the past 10 years. If the club truly wishes to pursue, we must have the commitment of our members and Board to follow through. The club must be consistent in holding club events, submitting required paperwork, etc.

5/22/21	2021 RSPWDC WT Draft Budget	Expense	Income
General	Trial Application Fees	\$50.00	
	Courier Ad	\$90.00	
	Qualifier fee	\$24.00	
	Senior Challenge entry fees		\$60.00
	Entry fees		\$1,440.00
Hospitality	trash bags & clean up supplies	\$50.00	
	Water, light snacks for workers	\$50.00	
	Pot luck dinner supplies and food	\$100.00	
Judge	Travel	\$500.00	
	Lodging	\$300.00	
	Honorarium	\$200.00	
	Meals	\$50.00	
Secretary	Catalog printing	\$50.00	
	Postage	\$10.00	
Fund Raising	T-Shirts	\$300.00	\$500.00
Totals		\$1,774.00	\$2,000.00
Difference			\$226.00