

AKKAOA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES – August 23, 2007

AGENDA:

Call to Order
Roll Call & Welcome
Reading of the Minutes
President's Report
Secretary Report
Treasurer's Report
Liaison Report
Committee Reports
 Constitution/By Laws (no report)
 Logo/Fund Raising
 Education (no report)
 Golden West/Pet Expo
 Health & Medical Research
 Membership
 Rescue
 Public Relations
 Show/Event
 2007 Annual Meeting and Picnic
Old Business
 Pedigree Project
New Business
 None
Adjournment

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. PDT by Tammy Martin, President. Present in addition to Tammy were Barbara Weibelhaus, Vice President; Patty Ramsburg, Treasurer; and Lo Binkley, Director. Terry Wright, Membership Secretary arrived at 7:43 p.m. and Patricia Zengel, Director, arrived at 7:44 p.m. Lenor Lynas, Secretary, was absent.

Minutes of Meeting July 18, 2007: Everyone acknowledged receipt of these minutes via email. An error in the location was pointed out and the location was changed from Thousand Oaks to Claremont, CA. Lo moved that the minutes be accepted as revised, second by Tammy. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Everyone acknowledged receipt of the Treasurer's Report via email. Tammy made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report, second by Lo. The motion passed unanimously.

Beginning Balance	\$ 5558.83
Income	11,247.86
Expenses	<u>5500.66</u>
Ending Balance	\$ 11306.03

Liaison Report: Barbara reported that she had called Michelle Morgan at UKC to determine whether our new By Laws had been approved by UKC. Michelle was going to call Barbara back but Barbara had not heard from her by the time of the meeting. Tammy made a motion to accept the Liaison Report, second by Lo. Motion passed unanimously.

Committee Reports: Reports that were received from the Membership, Logo/Fund Raising, 2007 Annual Meeting & Picnic, and Public Relations Committees are attached to these minutes. No reports from Education, Rescue, Constitution & By-Laws, Health & Medical Research or Golden West Committees.

NEW BUSINESS:

Pedigree Project: Tammy stated that Sharon Hari has put a preliminary look at the Pedigree Project she has been doing and asked the Board members to take a look at it and give Sharon any feedback. Tammy would like to have the Board approve launching the Pedigree Database online at the next BOD meeting. Tammy will ask Sharon to provide written instructions on how to get around the database to assist people in its use once it is online.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, Tammy made a motion to adjourn the meeting, second by Patricia. Meeting was adjourned at 8 p.m. The next meeting will be on September 19, at 7:30 CDT. The new Board members (Matt Dushek, incoming Secretary; Sharon Hari, incoming Membership Secretary and Fran Morano, incoming Director) will be invited to sit in on the September meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Lenor Lynas, Secretary

(A copy of the Chat Log of the meeting was provided to the Secretary for compilation of these minutes.)

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Secretary's Report – Lenor Lynas

On behalf of the Board and AKKAOA members, I sent a sympathy note to Karen Street on the loss of her son. Nothing further to report.

Logo/Fund Raising Committee: Lenor Lynas, Chair

The IGive Program has earned a total of \$46.17 so far. I've put a notice in the Newsletter encouraging members to sign up. It is an easy way to earn money for the club and we don't have to do anything except buy what we might buy anyway on-line.

The cookbook deadline has been extended to December 31. The response so far has been very poor. I have only heard from about 20 people. I have a lot of recipes and could put a book out but they are mostly from Chris and me so there would be a lot of recipes that would be non-attributable since we don't want our names on every other recipe. I will continue to ask for submissions and we will re-look at this after December 31.

I made 16 red adult bandannas, 16 hot pink adult bandannas, 16 teal blue adult bandannas, 46 pink baby bandannas and 42 blue baby bandannas. They have been shipped to Sharon Hari to be imprinted with "I'm an Alaskan Klee Kai" (adult) and "I'm an Alaskan Klee Kai baby." I am donating the fabric (7 yds at a cost of \$37.36). Sharon will be sending a bill for the imprinting.

Other than the bandannas, and possibly some pins and magnets from Linda, there will be no new merchandise at the show in MO this year. I will bring the usual tees, sweatshirts, tote bags, etc.

Membership Report for August 22, 2007 Meeting (As of the 7-19-07 meeting.)
Terry Wright, Membership Secretary

Carl and Shirley Drake - WA

Richard and Merilou Jenkins - CA
Referred by: Lo Binkley

Public Relations Committee: Terry Wright, Chair

Because of family obligations Terry and Lenor have put working on the Association's brochure on hold for a few weeks.

Bryan is in the process of placing the photos that people are submitting for the committee's use in a place where the committee can view them and pick what they want to use for any future publications. Bryan will let us know as soon as he has them posted. Kristi is in the process of working on the PR press releases for our upcoming MO picnic and shows.

Website Submissions for August 15, 2007

The CA GWG Show Results
CA GWG Show Report
CA Show Photos

I'd like to thank all the committee members for their time and hard work!

2007 Annual Picnic: Terry Wright & Lenor Lynas, Co-Chairs

Time is flying.... 2 more months!

The raffle tickets and informational handouts were mailed to the members on August 1st.

We are in the process of going over our *to buy* and *to have on hand* lists.

Lo will bring a first aid kit that has the essentials for both dogs and people. Thanks Lo!

We do have the Weight Pull Clinic/Demo lined up for 3 PM on October 19th, presented by Mary Cunningham of the Greater Swiss Mountain Dog Club. Mary has mentioned that she is interested in showing in our shows, her first UKC show.

We are still waiting to hear about holding some kind of health/medical clinic and for the rental of the park to be paid.

Tammy is getting a special treat for the dogs -- shhhhhh, it's a surprise!!

Everything is running smoothly.

Thanks,

Rescue Report: Lanie McWilliams, Chair

I check Petfinder and the internet regularly for AKK. Last week I noticed an ACD (Australian Cattle Dog) and Klee Kai mix. I checked him out, and he sure didn't look like he had any AKK in him! So I contacted the shelter and asked about his history, and how they came to decide he was part Alaskan Klee Kai. Turns out, they had listed him wrong, he is actually an ACD and Australian Kelpie mix. They apologized for the error, thanked me for bringing it to their attention, and changed his listing.

A couple days ago, I was contacted by an AKK owner in Colorado that informed me about an AKK that had been hit by a car and dumped at the animal shelter. She is going to foster him (and actually, brought him home from the shelter's hospital today after surgery) and we'll see how his healing progresses. So far his temperament is pretty good, he's just really shy. The plan was to rehab him and place him in a good home, but Deb told me that when she brought Simon home from the shelter today, her husband immediately asked, "Can we keep him?" So now they are going to see how the next few weeks go (he has to wear a splint on one of his rear legs for the next six weeks, and will not be ready to go to a new home until then), and then decide if they do or do not want to keep him. (They have 2 AKK and 2 older huskies already, so Deb is hesitant to keep him - a lot of it depends on how her male husky takes to him.) So until then, I'm going to contact some of our applicants that may be a good fit for Simon, and get regular updates from Deb on Simon's progress, and either way, he'll end up with a great home. :)

Golden West Committee Report: Lo Binkley, Chair

On August 12, 2007, we held a Golden West Group meeting to do a Post Mortem on the July 21-22, 2007 show.

Present: Julie Baker, Lo Binkley, Jennifer Cook, Sharon Hari, Eddie Hari, Linda Solorio, Patricia Zengel

What went right?

- ring gates were a real hit
- comments like "Great Show!" "Best organized show ever been to", and AKC folks "Had so much fun...everyone was so nice" that they intend to come back
- misters that were installed along the edge of the canopies were appreciated
- having Security on the premises was appreciated by many folks

What went wrong?

- lack of planning for ring stewards
- signs for Show registration not prominent enough for people to see and follow
- dinner not working as we envisioned (supposed to be a fun social event)

What can we do to make it better?

- identify ring stewards and backup for each ring
- put raffle area next to the vendors
- see if Lisa Yamamoto will take on Dinner and make it work
- need to have at least 8 Walky-Talkies for communication

For July show we used the following UKC show forms: 4 packs Conformation Judge's Books (100) 2 packs Judge's Books for Non-licensed classes (50), 2 packs Group/BIMBS/BIS Judge's Books (50). 9 sheets of Junior Showmanship Judge's Book, 20 sheets Move Up forms, 2 packs Official Entry Forms (100), and ~ 250 armbands.

Discussions resulted in the following tentative plans:

For January '08 Show:

Linda will be Show Secretary

Judges gifts

- personal misters for summer judges (request of Judy Jones)
- AKKAOA jackets for winter judges (Sharon to check with Lenor about specifics.....label in collar indicating from AKKAOA's Golden West Group, Here come da Judge" either on left chest or on back

Ring Set-Up

- 3 rings, need to purchase more ring gates
- Lo to meet with Steven to see what Hotel will purchase and what we will need to purchase re: canopies

Ring Stewards

- Several ideas were floated, but will see how many pet owners, and handlers, will agree to sit with a mentor for 1 show per weekend
- Susan Nikkel will assist with Ring Steward

- Will check with other clubs and see what we can work out with them to help them if they help us

We also made some preliminary decisions about the July '08 Show:

- Will be adding Obedience ring...Jennifer will take care of Obedience; Lo will connect Georgia Hower (member of 3 Obedience Clubs and they have offered to help) with Jen
- Specialty, Picnic and Reunion...Julie will take care of putting together a committee for the Picnic and Reunion, as well as helping to look for a Judge who can do the Specialty as well as Obedience (2 Trials or 1 per day will need 2 judges)
- Noble Hower will take care of vendors
- Lo will work with Steven at the Hotel to see what area we can use for Obedience; can we use grassy area by pool? Will need ring gates and canopies (misters already purchased). Or can we use tennis court with seats? Will need to get indoor-outdoor carpeting if we do that.
- It was unanimously agreed to continue with BIS Chair for that winner, need to determine if Obedience has a comparable winner that will also need special award.
- Will probably have over 30 AKK for Specialty
- Consider ordering from Charro's (they deliver) for lunch for judges and workers
- Lo to check with UKC to see if we can put UKC logo on AKKAOA Judges' jackets.

Health & Medical Research Committee: Lo Binkley, Chair

Several things are currently going on within the Health and Medical Research Committee that we are trying to get finished and presented to the Board of Directors for the September meeting. They include: recommendations for testing and health monitoring of the Alaskan Klee Kai; Roll out of case Reports; an assessment tool that owners can use to routinely evaluate their AKK on a regular basis. All of these are an attempt to educate Alaskan Klee Kai owners so that they can either prevent problems in the dogs, or be able to have early recognition of potential problems.