

Greater Minneapolis/St. Paul Basset Hound Club
Meeting Minutes
05/13/2020

Opening

Meeting called to order at 7:02 PM by Vicki Russell, President

Present

Vicki Russell, Robin O'Rourke, Melissa Jokela, Lisa Ritchie, Eva Kotilinek, Kathi Janovsky, Dan Hatchell

Absent

None

Approval of meeting minutes

Not applicable

Reports

Treasury - The account balance is at \$2,000+ (specific balance forthcoming). \$341 was made on the puppy gym raffle

Old business

The puppy play gym raffle wrapped up on May 1, 2020. Thank you to Eva and Robin for setting this up and for the donation of the puppy gym. Thank you to Eva's daughters for helping with the drawing. The raffle brought in \$341 for the club.

New business

- 2020 BHCA Nationals canceled which means our Specialty show has also been canceled. Nationals 2021 will be in Lima, OH, as planned. Nationals 2022 will be in Rockford, IL, as was planned for this year. Our club will have a Specialty show. Vicki will check with Sanda Launey (judge) to determine her eligibility to judge at the 2022 Specialty Show at Nationals.
- We need to ramp up the fundraising now that our Specialty has been cancelled. The raffle would have been a solid source of income for the club. The suggestion was made to have an online auction. The board members discussed the legal logistics on how to manage an online fundraising event. The decision was made that each board member will try to come up with a donation or item for the raffle/auction. We will revisit around May 27 to see where we stand with donations. The possibility of having a raffle or craft sale at the Rochester MN Kennel Club Dog Show in September was brought up. Lisa will talk to the show Committee at the next kennel club meeting scheduled for May 18, 2020.
- Member education is a priority. Vicki suggested we create videos to send to our membership to keep them engaged. Videos could cover grooming, scaling teeth, demonstrations for the online rally, trick dog and/or stunt dog titles. Vicki will create survey questions to send out to the members to determine what their interests and needs are. Melissa or Lisa will send out the

email survey. Once results are in, we will revisit the member education to determine how to proceed.

- Ideas for the September 2020 General Meeting were brainstormed. The idea of having the meeting outside seemed to be preferred taking into consideration social distancing needs. We will work together at determining an appropriate location. Each of us will do a little research and offer input. Melissa suggested Shaars Bluff in Hastings. Dogs are allowed onlead and there is a pavilion that can be rented.

Items to be revisited will be followed up by the secretary.

Next meeting date is to be determined.

Meeting adjourned at 7:57 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Ritchie, Secretary

05/16/2020