

Board of Director's Meeting
Monday, October 3, 2005
Location: Helmbold's residence

Officers and Members present: Fred Helmbold, Cherie Gessford, Linda Grant, Carol Frazier, Bruce Bertholf, Pat Helmbold, Pat Barnes, Rebekah Mastro and Louis Mastro

The original agenda was a By-Laws revision meeting and a decision on the Show Chair for the AKC Show. But, a phone call was received early in the day by Kim Davis, who was referred to us by the Fairgrounds. We invited her to our meeting.

Kim Davis presented a proposal to STKC that she wanted to have a fund raiser "Dog Day" where children could come and make their dog do tricks and get prizes. The money raised by the children would be sent to the Hurricane Katrina relief and she felt it would be some way that the children could feel as if they helped in the recovery. Her initial thought on a fee for each child would be a \$50 entry fee.

Kim's plan was to have it on Sunday, October 16th and wanted to have it at the Mother Lode Fairgrounds. There was a general discussion about liabilities, waste disposal, advertising, etc., and that less than 2 weeks was a short time to coordinate such a big undertaking. Her hope was that STKC would spearhead the event. She had already contacted the radio and other businesses for support.

It was voted by the Board that this was not realistic and gave her some feedback and reserved the possibility of helping in the future.

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The Board Meeting was then commenced at 6:53 p.m.

By Laws revision ensued. There was a general discussion of the goals of the Board in the revision and update of the Constitution and By-Laws.

Carol made a statement that the language in the By Laws was very hard to understand and would like to have it made more reader friendly.

Fred stated that most of the information was taken from the AKC manual and was probably required to be followed. Some of the items brought to the attention were the legal areas pertaining to members.

Each section was gone through and checked and changed as suggested. Completed a review of half of the Constitution and By-Laws.

There was discussion on the Show Chair for the Big Show. Linda was nominated and there were some concerns about Judge Selections, budget needs, advertising, ribbon needs, etc.

Additional discussion on ways to cut costs and generate more revenue for the Big Show, mass mailings to other clubs, advertising in magazines, etc.

Fred made a suggestion that Bruce and himself share the duties of obtaining the Judges, making the initial contacts, etc.

Bruce and Linda are attending an AKC sponsored seminar on "How to Build a Better Dog Show".

Provisional judges will be looked at for our show. They are less expensive and must judge their breeds at least 5 times before they are passed for complete assignments. An explanation of acquiring Foreign Judges was provided.

M/S/P Cherie/Louis at 8:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Grant
Secretary