

TCVESSA BOARD MEETING MINUTES – 11-13-21
FALL MEETING AT FOR THE LOVE OF DOGS IN MENDOTA HEIGHTS

Board members present: Liz Pike, Courtney Hansen, Alice Musburger, Kathy Patregnani and Diane Slais. Numerous members were in attendance. Dock diving and barn hunt exercises were offered to members and their dogs.

President Courtney Hansen called the meeting to order at 3:20 p.m.

The reading/approval of the October minutes will be delayed, as they have not been received from Secretary Julie Roberts.

There were 6 first readings for new applicants at the meeting (3 family and 3 individuals). The families are: Jill, Cody and Grady Dunham; Joane and Liz Riel; Mathew and Mary Haggerty. The individuals are: Sterling Erickson, Maria Barton and Demelza Holmes. Alice M. noted that we now have 55 members which raises the quorum from 11 to 12.

Treasurer's Report: B.A. Breese informed Courtney Hansen that TCVESSA has \$10,609.88 in the bank account. No requests for expenditures were made.

Old Business: There was a debriefing of the Combined Specialty in Des Moines. We are still waiting for the bill for ribbons (Onofrio apparently made a mistake in the process). There was some discussion of maybe joining the Granite City/Hutchinson show.

Carmen Laing chaired the Nominating Committee. Mary Dahl and Brian Schaffer also participated on this sub-committee. The slate of the Board is as follows: President Liz Pike, Vice President Courtney Hansen, Secretary Julie Roberts, Treasurer B.A. Breese, at large members are Mary Dahl, Carmen Laing, Tekla Viker and Diane Slais. Alice Musburger will be stepping down, however is still committed to tabulating the annual awards.

The club will host a nose work/scent work seminar at the Canine Cabin, in Clear Lake, MN, on February 12th and 13th. The instructor will be Holly Buchard. The original seminar was to take place during the fall of 2019, however it was canceled due to COVID. Those who registered for the 2019 seminar will have

priority for registration this time around. Both working and audit spots will be offered.

New Business: The TCVESSA Specialty will be held on May 21st and 22nd at On the Run Training Center. Volunteers will be needed for set up and hospitality. The show will include all-breed obedience and rally obedience, along with breed. Liz mentioned that she would like to step down as chairperson of the specialty. There will be no TCVESSA agility trial in December, as our slated weekend falls over the Christmas holiday.

Kathy Patregnani brought up the idea of the club sponsoring/hosting an AKC scent work trial. She will look into would steps the club would need to take to get AKC's approval.

The TCVESSA agility trial in January will be at Cloud 9. Any members who can volunteer to help would be much appreciated.

Alice Musburger read the names of all of the awards earned in 2020. A list of the awards/recipients will be included in a separate attachment to these minutes.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Slais