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The Durham Kennel Club met on Sept. 22 at the Forest Hills Club House.

The president called the meeting to order and the minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. The treasurer gave a complete detailed report on the club's finances for the past eight months. A total of 701.49 was reported in the treasury. Mr. Byrd also gave a complete report on the May 17th show. The various expenditures were discussed and explained. The net profit on the show was \$278.21.

Mr. Jones then gave a detailed report on his recent trip to Asheville to meet with the Asheville, Charlotte, Greenville and Greensboro clubs to form a new show circuit. He also said that a temporary date of April 6th for the Durham Kennel Club show was agreed upon. At this time Mr. Jones also explained the purposed of this special meeting. At the recent directors meeting it was disclosed that a great many club members were dissatisfied with the past policies of the club and the manner in which the present board of directors had conducted the affairs of the organization. This meeting was for the express purpose of airing grievances. At this point the secretary read the minutes of the last three board of directors meetings.

Mr. Ed. Stone took the floor and expressed his views, as well as Mr. Boone's and several other club members. He stated that a great many members wished to have the constitution and bi-laws changed so that the membership at large would have more to say about club spending and club policies. A motion was made by Mr. Byrd "That all bills be presented to the club at a meeting, getting club's O.K. before they are paid".

The motion was carried. ~~Dr. Hill, Mr. Byrd, Mr. Stone, Mr. and Mrs.~~

~~Carson and Mrs. ... took the floor and expressed their views on the subject of club expenditures and club policies. Mr. Hooring also~~

~~expressed his views.~~ The president pointed out that a such a motion was unconstitutional and that an amendment to the constitution would have to be made before it could be observed.

Dr. Hill, Mr. Byrd, Mr. Stone, Mr. and Mrs. Corsbie and Mrs. Hutchings each took the floor and expressed their views on the subject of club expenditures. Mr. Hoenig expressed his opinion on various club money making propositions and made a motion that the club give M^r. Jones a vote of thanks for the manner in which he had conducted the club's spring show. The motion was carried unanimously.

Mr. Byrd lead a discussion on the matter of the bench show chairman taking on full responsibilities of a show and said that he had called the AKC in New York to get definite information on the subject. The AKC had no definite rules on the duties of a bench show chairman. It was the privilege of each club to set their own policies. The president read from pamphlet issued by the AKC which contains not a set of rules in the strictest sense of the word, but very strong recommendations as regards the responsibilities of a bench show chairman.

Mr. Boone said he would be glad to accept the position of bench show chairman if the club would give him a vote of confidence, and said he would be willing to pay all expenditures out of his own pocket and have the club vote on the payment of these amounts. A motion was made and carried unanimously that the club give Mr. Boone a vote of confidence.

Mrs. Hill made a motion that Mr. Jones appoint a committee to draw up alternate changes in the present constitution and by-laws. Mr. Jones appointed Mr. Stone, Mrs. Hill and Miss Norman to meet sometime before the next club meeting to present the proposed amendments to the club.

A motion was made and carried unanimously that the club contribute \$10.00 to National Dog Week.

Mrs. Hill also expressed the wish that the club would consider working with the Wildlife Society in the promotion of field trials. Mr. Stone expressed the opinion that he felt the club programs in the past had not been varied enough and that he would like to see a different policy. Dr. Cuyler resigned as program chairman of the program committee.

