Minutes of the General Meeting of the Durham Kennel Club

April 18, 1977

The meeting was held at the DKC Clubhouse and was called to order by the President, Faith Gehweiler, after a covered dish dinner.

The minutes of the March meeting were read and approved.

Treasurer's Report: \$33,343.08 in all funds.
5,000 in the Building Fund

Faith read a thank you note from Vivian and Howard Haines regarding their Honorary Life Memberships.

Judy Morton reported on the Super Dog Trial to be held in May 1979 in Lynchburg, Virginia. You can support the Super Dog Trial by joining the Colonial Obedience Association for \$10.00.

Larry Winberry reported the Spring Show made \$5,251.93. Larry expressed his thanks to all members that helped at the show.

Fred Sheppard will replace Larry as Spring Show Chairman.

At our Tracking Trial held April 3rd 8 out of 11 dogs passed.

Marge White is holding an obedience trainers clinic at the clubhouse April 22 at 7:30 p.m.

Marge also reported that we will have a Rummage/Bake Sale at Riverview Shopping Center on May 21.

We will have a Barbara Goodman Clinic in Durham on September 17 and 18.

Herman Fowler reported for Tail Waggers. Tall Tails were for sale. The new Breeders Guide is now published.

Herman is still watching the dog legislation which is coming up soon in North Carolina and will be calling on members to help.

Faith asked for nominations from the floor for officers for next year. None were presented. Election of officers will be held next month.

The following were voted on for Regular Membership: Jane Anderson, Toni Keeley and Harry and Virginia Scalione.

The following were announced as applying for Associate Membership: Bambi Kaplan and Robbie Nunnamaker.

Bill Tolbert announced that he had a copy of AKC's annual report for anyone who wishes to see it.

Bill Tolbert has been asked by the AKC delegate of the Springfield Kennel Club to poll our members regarding a proposal he wishes to make to AKC that neutered animals be allowed to show in Veterans Classes provided they have been proven producers. Those against stated that the animal could not be used to improve the breed in the future. Those for stated that the animal, neutered for health reasons, could be an outstanding example of the breed and this example would be carried on by his offspring already produced. Fred Sheppard also suggested that neutered animals be shown in For Exhibition Only and never seen by a judge. A vote was taken on the original proposal: In Favor - 16, Against - 14. Bill will pass this along to the Springfield AKC delegate.

Mrs. Grimson requested members to sign up for trophies for the Fall Show. The deadline is in June.

A discussion of our new building followed with these highlights:

- 1. Build only a roof and a floor which would be enclosed later. Hold classes in warmer months.
- 2. Build the training area now and leave off the meeting room. This will cost approximately \$75,000.
- 3. Bill Martin has come up with a proposal for a similar building for \$60-75,000.
- 4. Have no windows in the building--only skylights.
- 5. We need to make outside social and civic contacts to obtain money of this project.
- 6. Build road and clear land right now.
- 7. Scale down the project but do something.
- 8. Authorize committee to do specific things by specific times.

The following volunteered for the Building Committee:

Mary Holland, Temporary Chairman
Bill Martin
Bob Geesler
John Cooper
Marge White
Jerry Foushee
Andy Divine
Diane Divine
George Hand
Ray Cook

Dr. Grimson made a motion that the committee be authorized to spend \$5,000 to clear the land and fix the road. Motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary B. Bell, Secretary