Following a program presented by Dr. Kathryn Wells on bloat the meeting was called to order by President, Richard Perschel.

The minutes from the November 18, 1996 meeting were read and after the following corrections were made the minutes were approved.

- 1. The date for the awards program is February 21st not February 24th.
- 2. Rosemarie Puccio said that her statement with regard to the obedience committee was not a complaint but rather her concern that all DKC members had not received premiums to the trial.
- 3. Bill Bakewell was incorrectly mentioned as membership chairman—this should have read program chairman.

Marge White reported for Rob Bozeman, Corres. Sec. that a thank-you note had been received from Mr. Griner for inviting him to judge our Dec. obedience trial.

Membership Ch., Stella Maunsell introduced & welcomed guests.

Joyce McHenry reported that our obedience classes are in session and going well.

Stella stated that on February 10th there will be an obedience workshop for all obedience instructors. Pizza will be available and anyone interested in coming to eat should contact Sharon Pitz.

Stella also asked the membership to reserve the date of March 15th for an obedience show n go. Flyers will be available at a later date.

Marie Inman, Catalog advertising chairperson, urged members to sign up for the booster/memory page to be included in the spring show catalog.

Marie also reported that show handling classes are going

well.

Sallie Cooper reported that at the CGC test offered at the Mighty Match 41 dogs were tested and 39 passed. As a result our club donated \$205.00 to the N. C. State College of Vet. Medicine.

Richard Perschel reminded the members to check the club calendar in the entry area for reserved dates.

Brona Hicks is chairperson for the April 6th T.D. test. Help is needed with the luncheon and experienced track layers are also needed. Ten dogs will be tested.

Lisa Connelly reported for the awards committee that February 21st is the night of the annual awards program. The cost is \$25.00 per person and reservations must be made by February 14, 1997.

Lisa also stated, as our AKC Delegate, that the next AKC meeting will be in March and a complete report will appear in the DKC newsletter.

Sallie Cooper, Education co-ordinator, asked the membership to please let her know if anyone is aware of teachers who would like for a class to have a visit from dogs.

Bill Bakewell reported that the Orange Co. Obedience Training Club will host a show n go on Sunday, February 23rd. Bill also reported that our next program will be presented by DKC member Dr. Shirley Sanders on "Motivation."

Richard Perschel reported that Ann Walthall is not doing well and would appreciate cards and/or phone calls showing our support for her.

Sharon Pitz reminded the members of the yard sale to be held on January 25th. The building will be open for items to be delivered on Friday night from 5 to 8 p.m. Sharon said that cashiers are still needed and also extra people to help during the sale. Baked goods are also needed.

Following numerous brags, there being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Submitted by,

Marjorie J. White, Recording Sec.