

Minutes of the Durham Kennel Club Membership Meeting September 20 2021 via Zoom (Final)

President Wrath called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm. There were forty Club members in attendance (thirty-three full and seven candidate). The Attendance Sheet is attached and considered part of these minutes.

Minutes of the August 16 2021 Membership Meeting were approved as published (Rives/Schulz motion)

In his President's Report, Mr. Wrath welcomed everyone to the meeting. Mr. Wrath express the Club's thanks to Linda Wozniak, committee members and all volunteers who helped make the Fall All-Breed show a success. Thanks were also given to Judy Wagaman for the successful Health Clinic held the weekend following the show at the DKC Clubhouse. Thanks was also extended to Tracy Fletcher for organizing the Agility Show and Go last weekend.

There were no reports from the Corresponding or Recording Secretary.

In the absence of the Treasurer, the Club's financial position was presented by the President; details are available upon request. Mr. Beglane raised the issue of the dollar amount currently in the Club's PayPal account. Mr. Wrath indicated he would follow-up with the Treasurer

Jack Sappenfield, AKC Delegate, reported that the first in-person Delegates' meeting was held in Newark, NJ on September 13 and 14. Mr. Sappenfield attended both the Companion Events Committee and the General Meeting. At the meeting statistics regarding litter and dog registrations were presented. For the six month period ending June 30 2021 litter registrations were up 23.4 percent and dog registrations increased 31.9 percent. Together these line items represent approximately 46 percent of total income for the period. At the December 2021 meeting the Delegates will vote on the creation of an additional, optional Bred By Exhibitor Class diving the class, at the option of the club, into BBE Puppy Over Six Months and Under Twelve Months and BBE Twelve Months and Over. Mr. Sappenfield asked for member feedback.

Carol Rives, Membership Chair presented applications received for Candidate Membership from:

1. Trayce Battaglia, Chapel Hill (German Shepherd Dog)
2. Tony Battaglia, Chapel Hill (German Shepherd Dog)
3. Ann Christmas, Rougemont (Miniature American Shepherd, Australian Cattle Dog)
4. Alice Gerrard, Durham (All American)
5. Amy Hazy, Durham (Boston Terrier, Wirehaired Pointing Griffon)
6. J Mackey, Chapel Hill (Mastiff/Greyhound Mix)
7. Kieran Kemmer, Chapel Hill (German Shepherd Dog)
8. Elisabeth Searce, Danville, VA (Redbone Coonhound)
9. Cara Triebel, Rougemont (Miniature American Shepherd)
10. Samantha Valliant, Chapel Hill (German Shepherd Dog)
11. Pat Webster, Chapel Hill (Mastiff/Greyhound Mix)

and applications for Full Membership from:

1. Gerardo Aponte, Rougemont (Golden Retriever)
2. Yvette Rivera, Rougemont (Golden Retriever)

By majority vote of the membership, the applicants applying for full membership were approved. Welcome was extended to all.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

There were no Committee Reports

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

COVID-19 update. At its recent meeting, the Board of Directors discussed the COVID -19 protocols currently in place and agreed that they will continue in place for the time being. The most recent COVID-19 protocols for the Club are attached.

Health Clinic was held at the Club's facility on September 11 and 12 where well over one hundred dogs took advantage of health testing offered. Judy Wagaman did an super job organizing the event and thanks was extended to her and her volunteers for the smooth execution during the weekend. Special thanks was given to George Beglane for his online support of registrations and volunteer sign-up. The Board discussed the event at its September meeting and was in unanimous agreement to continue to hold the event in the same manner separate from the All Breed show in upcoming years. Complete financials are not yet available, but will be shared with the membership as soon as they are.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Wrath presented the Fiscal Year 2022 Proposed Budget which had been sent to the membership along with the meeting agenda. Total Gross Profit for the year was projected at \$196,497 and total expenses at \$185,497 with a Net Income of \$11,463. Capital Expenditures have been identified for the Fencing of the Agility Field, Repair of the septic and leech field, and modifications of the Ladies Room to bring to ADA specifications. With the inclusion of the projected Capital items, a net loss for the year of approximately \$7K is anticipated. With the vote of 96 percent of the members in favor and 4 percent against the proposed budget was approved.

The Board is undertaking the job of compiling all of DKC's corporate documents, including service contracts, insurance policies, etc. and will be scanning them to be stored on the DKC website in the members' only archives. The actual hard documents will be stored in the safe located in the storage closet.

The Board has established a sub-committee to be comprised of Board members, members of the Finance Committee and other members to review the existing standing rules, policies and procedures of Durham Kennel Club. It has been brought to our attention that there are policies that contract others, policies that are not enforceable, and policies that have not been revised to reflect the current approvals. The committee's responsibility will be to standardize, review and bring to the Board for approval.

Kirk Ridge requested the Board review the current vaccine requirement for classes, specifically to include the Bordetella vaccine. It is the opinion of the Board that it is the responsibility of members and class and event participants to work with their veterinarians to ensure that they are protecting the health of their dogs. The Board will be preparing a Best Practices document to be shared with members and others and will be developing a virtual presentation for the DKC Communication Platform. This item resulted in much discussion with the conclusion that DKC can educate but can't enforce as it is not policy but best practice. The Best Practice document will be posted on the DKC portal and shared with enrollees in DKC classes.

Braggs.

There being no additional business to come before the membership, the meeting was adjourned at 7:52 pm (McGrory/Cicone motion)

Attest:



Linda C Wozniak
Recording Secretary

Individuals in Attendance (via Zoom)
Durham Kennel Club Membership Meeting September 20 2021
40 Members (33 Full Members, 7 Candidate Members) 0 Guests

1	Susan Bankauf	19	Yvette Rivera		
2	George Beglane	20	Carol Rives		
CM	Kit Bergoon	21	Lisa Roberts		
3	Paula Botkin	22	Jack Sappenfield		
4	Spenser Botkin	23	Lois Schulz		
5	Pam Brown	CM	Kim Sector		
6	Susan Cicone	CM	Cindy Singleton		
7	Patty McEwen	24	Jeanne Stringall		
8	Laurene Gesquiere	CM	Susan Sheets		
9	Lori Grove	25	Marcia Stedman		
10	Judy Harris	26	Cyndi Taves		
11	Gail Kanas	27	Cathy Wells		
12	Penny Leigh	28	Cathy Whitaker		
13	Denise McDonald	29	Beth White		
14	Marcia McGrory	30	Norma Williams		
15	Joyce McHenry	31	Linda Wozniak		
16	Adele Monroe	32	Michele Wrath		
CM	Lulu Mullaney	33	Thomas Wrath		
CM	Christina Myers				
17	Sharon Pitz				
18	Rose Mary Pries				
CM	Ellen Raymondi				

DURHAM KENNEL CLUB COVID-19 SAFETY PROTOCOLS AUGUST 9 2021

Durham County has issued a declaration of a state of emergency in Durham County, NC., to prevent the spread of COVID-19. Effective August 9, 2021, 5 PM. As a direct result of this current declaration, Individuals will now be required to wear masks inside the DKC facilities. I will outline the face-covering exemption by the county below this document. We can operate all club operations normally with the temporary rules of operation outlined below **NOTE: These temporary rules of operation and safety protocols will be strictly enforced without exception. If you fail to comply, you will be subject to temporary loss of clubhouse privileges.**

The following rules of operation and safety protocols will remain in place during the COVID -19 Pandemic until such time the DKC Board of Directors removes or modifies these rules of operation.

Rules of Use:

Masks are required when entering the DKC Facility. If you truly have a Face Covering Exemption, you are not required to wear masks as outline in Durham County's Declaration of a State of Emergency. **Please be respectful to others**—anyone who declines to wear a mask for Face Covering Exemption as outlined below. By Federal law, individuals are not required to produce health documentation or any other proof of condition, and it's also illegal to ask for any evidence of health condition.

We want to encourage you to wash your hands or use hand sanitizer when entering and leaving the DKC Clubhouse. **NOTE:** If you have been exposed to someone who has tested positive for COVID-19, **DO NOT** use the building until you have satisfied self-quarantine requirements and have tested negative for COVID-19.

The DKC Board of Directors has approved and modified the **sign-in requirement** as part of our Health and Safety Protocols.

1. If you have registered for classes, you're no longer required to sign in the front lobby. We have access to the student's and instructors' names and would have the ability to notify members that may have been exposed to someone testing positive for COVID-19.
2. If you participate in classes that don't have pre-registration, for example, the Thursday Night Confirmation Classes, you must sign the Class Participation and Liability Waiver Sheet. You're no longer required to sign in the lobby. Again, we have access to the student's and instructors' names and would be able to notify members or guests who may have been exposed to someone testing positive for COVID-19.
3. If you are not signed up for classes and have not signed the Class Participation and Liability Waiver Sheet, you must sign in the front lobby. For example, if you're a spouse, friend, parent, or simply observing classes, you must sign in the front lobby.
4. Shows and Trials at the DKC building, you're not required to sign in the front lobby. Again, we have access to the show and trial entry names and would have the ability to notify members or guests that may have been exposed to someone testing positive for COVID-19.
5. Membership and Board Meeting, members and guests, are required to sign in the Meeting Participation Sheet. You're not required to sign in the front lobby. Again, we have access to the names of the Meeting Participation Sheets and would have the ability to notify members that may have been exposed to someone testing positive for COVID-19.
6. All members participating in independent training, building access time, or simply entering the building for another reason must sign in the front lobby, no exception.

Face Covering Exemptions: Are not required by someone who: provided by Declaration of State of Emergency in Durham County 8.6.2021

- *Should not wear a Face Covering due to any medical or behavioral condition or? disability (including, but not limited to, any person who has trouble breathing or is unconscious or incapacitated, or is otherwise unable to put on or remove the Face Covering without assistance);*
- *Is under five (5) years of age;*
- *Is actively eating or drinking;*
- *Is seeking to communicate with someone who is hearing-impaired in a way that requires the mouth to be visible;*
- *Giving a speech or performance for a broadcast, or to an audience, where they maintain a distance of at least 20 feet from the audience;*
- *Is working at home or is in a personal vehicle;*
- *Is temporarily removing their Face Covering to secure government or medical services or for identification purposes;*
- *Would be at risk from wearing a Face Covering at work, as determined by local, state, or federal regulations or workplace safety guidelines;*
- *Has found that their Face Covering is impeding visibility to operate equipment or a vehicle; or is a child whose parent, guardian, or responsible person has been unable to place? The Face Covering safely on the child's Face.*

Thank you in advance for your cooperation and support,
Thomas Wrath, President Durham Kennel Club