

Minutes of the Durham Kennel Club Membership Meeting March 21 2022 via Zoom (Approved)

President Wrath called the meeting to order at 7:07 pm. There were 56 Club members in attendance in person and via Zoom (40 voting and 16 candidate) and 1 guest. The Attendance Sheet is attached and considered part of these minutes.

Minutes of the February 21 2022 Membership Meetings were approved as published (Rives/Welch motion)

In his President's Report, Mr. Wrath welcomed members and guests. Mr. Wrath thanked everyone who put in incredible effort to hold a wonderful Spring All Breed Show.

There was no report from the Corresponding Secretary.

Recording Secretary requested that attendees on Zoom check how they are shown on the screen as everyone at the meeting should be recorded as attended. If your box on the screen does not show your name, you can use the Chat box at the bottom of the screen to contact the Recording Secretary.

The Treasurer reported the Club's cash position; details available on request.

Jack Sappenfield, AKC Delegate, reported that at March AKC Delegates' meeting, discussions were held regarding the decrease in entries across the United States. While Rally and Obedience entries are up, Agility entries are down about 8 percent. Litter and dog registrations remain strong. A new pilot program is being released mid-year for Team Agility. A select number of clubs will be asked to participate in the pilot program to determine whether it should become a permanent part of AKC's Agility offerings.

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

1. Yasmin Beg (Durham) All American
2. Steve Davis (Durham) All American
3. Kate Davis (Durham) All American
4. Esther Farber (Morrisville) Welsh and Pembroke Corgi
5. Diana Hauser (Raleigh) Samoyed
6. Emma Lambeth (Durham) Irish Wolfhound
7. Natalie Love (Wake Forest) Australian Cattle Dog, German Shepherd, All American
8. Pamela Schwenter (Cedar Grove) Borzoi

and reinstated members:

1. Bill Simberlund (Manson)
2. Dot Simberlund (Manson)

Welcome was extended to all.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Rose Anne Wallace reported that card was sent on behalf of the Club to Connie Howard on the death of her husband, Alexander. Rose Mary Pries reported that the Club had made a donation to the Canine Health Foundation in his memory.

Mr. Wrath thanked Jimmy Stutts for overhauling the conformation ramp removing the carpet and replacing the top with a non-slip surface.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

COVID-19 Update. Masks are optional in the DKC building. Members are reminded to be respectful

of those who wish to continue to wear masks. Please sign in in the lobby if you are not attending a class. If you are exposed to COVID-19, please refrain from entering the building until you have a negative test.

Revision to the ByLaws was sent to AKC for review. There were a few modifications that the AKC requested and the Board met to discuss and incorporate into the document. Once the finalized revision has been done, a question and answer meeting will be held with the members. It is hoped that the final membership vote on the revised ByLaw document will be held at the April membership meeting. If approved, will then be sent to AKC for final approval and implementation.

There are two committee chair openings. The Club is still in need of a Facility Maintenance Chair. The Chair will form a committee to address issues that arise at the Club. In the meantime, please contact any Board member if you come across an issue that needs to be addressed. Nancy Akers has resigned as Chair of the December Obedience and Rally trials. The Board is actively recruiting a new chair. Please contact a Board member if interested. Thanks to Nancy Akers for her leadership and hard work as Chair of these trials in past years.

The Board has requested that the Planning Committee develop a plan for DKC building expansion. Survey comments will be shared with Group Leaders who will be responsible for acting upon them as they are better equipped to understand the scope. New members are encouraged to contact Group Leaders and get involved with suggestions and comments. It was noted that 30 percent of all members participated in the survey and members are encouraged to get involved in the venues in which they participate.

NEW BUSINESS:

Susan Cicone, Chair thanked her Election Committee, Christie Murphy and Laura Anne Welch for their hard work in putting together a slate for the upcoming election of DKC officers and board members.

Pursuant to Article IV of the Bylaws of Durham Kennel Club, the Elections Committee, Susan Cicone, Chair, appointed by the Board of Directors has nominated the following Members as candidates for such vacancies on the Board of Directors as are to be filled at the next Annual Meeting of the Club on May 16, 2022:

Class of 2024

- ◆ Corresponding Secretary
 - ◇ Amy Gardner-Dean
- ◆ Recording Secretary
 - ◇ Linda Wozniak
- ◆ Directors (two vacancies)
 - ◇ Susan Bankauf
 - ◇ Marcia Stedman
 - ◇ Paula Botkin
 - ◇ Patricia Koontz
- ◆ AKC Delegate
 - ◇ Jack Sappenfield

Pursuant to Article IV of the Bylaws of Durham Kennel Club, nominations for vacancies on the Board of Directors may be made from the floor.

Election Timeline:

- March 21 through April 29, 2022: Members are asked to review the membership list to determine accuracy of email addresses.
- April 22 2022: Written nominations from the floor with nominee's acceptance must be received by the Recording Secretary by 9 pm EDT
- April 22 2022: Recording Secretary will publish to DKC membership final ballot of candidates.
- May 5 2022: Manual ballots will be mailed via USPS to those who request.

- May 6 2022 through May 13 2022: Ballots will be emailed to members at 1 am EDT on May 6 and must be received by May 13 at 5 pm EDT
- May 14 2022: All manual ballots must be received by 5 pm EDT
- May 16 2022: Election results will be announced at the Annual Membership Meeting as the first order of business.

Braggs. Mr. Wrath requested that win or candid pictures be sent to him prior to the meeting and he will incorporate into this portion of the meeting.

There being no additional business to come before the membership, the meeting was adjourned at 8:11 pm (A.Dean/Stout motion).

Attest:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Linda C Wozniak', written over a faint rectangular stamp.

Linda C Wozniak
Recording Secretary

Individuals in Attendance (In person and via Zoom)
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56 Members (40 Voting Members, 16 Candidate Members) 1 Guest

1	Brenda Adams	26	Jen Stout	CM	Kit Bergoon
2	Nancy Akers	27	Jeanne Stringall	CM	Pamela Blackmon
3	Susan Bankauf	28	Arleen Stryshak	CM	Sandra Danoff
4	Spencer Botkin	29	Cyndi Swanson	CM	Karol Fair
5	Paula Botkin	30	Cynthia Taves	CM	Chris Fair
6	Pam Brown	31	Jeff Traylor	CM	Esther Farber
7	Susan Cicone	32	Martha Ann Traylor	CM	Jennifer Fariior
8	Amy Gardner Dean	33	Rose Ann Wallace	CM	Denise Gibson
9	Neil Dean	34	Leslie Watkins	CM	Beth Grooms
10	Dorene McCune	35	Laura Anne Welch	CM	Betsy Mincey
11	John McCune	36	Cathy Wells	CM	Christina Myers
12	Liz (Chris) McCleaster	37	Cathy Whitaker	CM	Laavanya Sankaranaraynan
13	Denise McDonald	38	Norma Williams	CM	Pamela Smith
14	Marcia McGrory	39	Linda Wozniak	CM	Elisa Sumakeris
15	Joyce McHenry	40	Thomas Wrath	CM	Christine Weisse
16	Adele Monroe			CM	Amy Hagy
17	David Moser			Guest	Kathryn Kabat
18	Glenda Moser			?	919.906.7284
19	Dana Pritchett				
20	Rose Mary Pries				
21	Carol Rives				
22	Lisa Roberts				
23	Jack Sappenfield				
24	Tom Savarese				
25	Kim Sector				

DURHAM KENNEL CLUB, INC. COVID-19 PROTOCOL

March 7 2022

The City and County of Durham will remove the indoor mask mandate, effective March 7 at 12:01 a.m., Durham Public Health Director Rod Jenkins announced at Monday's Durham County Commissioners' Board meeting. As a result, The DKC Board of Directors has approved to remove the mask mandates, effective March 7, 2022, from our COVID-19 Safety Protocols. You're no longer required to wear a mask inside the DKC facility.

Members, please be respectful of those members who wish to continue wearing a mask for their own comfort level. Simply put, it is optional to wear a mask

Members are encouraged to wash your hands or use hand sanitizer when entering and leaving the DKC Club-house. **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 will continue using 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 Conformation 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, member and guest, 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.