### Minutes of the Durham Kennel Club General Meeting of the Membership September 18, 2023 (approved)

President Wrath called the meeting to order at 7:17pm. There were 73 in attendance, 55 voting members, 15 associate members and 3 guests. The attendance sheet is attached and considered part of these minutes.

Minutes of the August 21 2023 Membership Meeting were approved as published on a J Traylor/J Stringall motion.

President Wrath welcomed everyone to the meeting. He thanked Sharon Pitz for coordinating the potluck. Mr. Wrath apologized for the inability to Zoom the meeting, but assured attendees that the Board was looking into resolution of the internet issues.

The Corresponding Secretary reported that there will be an AKC sanctioned B Match held by Forsyth Kennel Club in King. She will send the flyer through the Club's distribution system. The Recording Secretary reminded everyone to please sign the attendance sheet.

Jack Sappenfield, AKC Delegate, reported his attendance at the quarterly Delegates' Meeting in Newark. His report is attached.

The Club's cash position was presented, details are available upon request.

Carol Rives, Membership Chair, presented applications received from New Associate Members:

- 1. Anthony Barber
- 2. and Cindy Barber (Mebane) Bernese Mountain Dog
- 3. John Brading (Raleigh) Mini LH Dachshund
- 4. Mikalya Castellano (Mebane) Collie, Greyhound
- 5. Tiffany Dickerson (Oxford) Golden Retriever)
- 6. Sheena Evans (Durham) All American
- 7. Fran Hinkelmann (Carrboro) Miniature Poodle
- 8. Sarah Kempel (Durham) Pembroke Welsh Corgi
- 9. Ruth Shallert (Durham) Vizsla
- 10. Kathryn Weare (Chapel Hill) Collie

and Associate Members for Full Membership:

1. Kathryn Daily (Durham) Border Collie

Upon majority vote of members present and voting, the application for full membership was approved. Welcome was extended to all.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Linda Wozniak reported that the Fall All Breed Show was held Saturday September 2nd in Raleigh. Total entry was 1375 dogs, slightly lower than the year before. Ms. Wozniak thanked Jen Stout and all volunteers who helped during the day to make the event successful.

Susan Bankauf reported that an Agility Show and Go, chaired by Cara Triebel, and an ACT test, chaired by Penny Leigh, was held this past weekend with great attendance.

Carol Rives reporting that there will be a Tracklayers' Workshop held in October at Barb Grubb's farm. This workshop is not for dogs, but for individuals looking to learn about tracking and setting tracks. Information and registration for the workshop is on the DKC website.

The Agility Trial is being held the last weekend in September. It is a small trial this year and luncheon will not be available for exhibitors or volunteers. However, snacks and a workers' raffle will be held. Please contact Carol Rives if you have items that might be included in the raffle. The Awards Banquet for the show year 2023 will be held at the Clubhouse, Saturday, March 30, 2024. More information will be available in the near future.

The Conformation Group will be holding a brief meeting at 8 pm on Thursday, September 21st.

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

No new report from the Planning Committee.

The Health Clinic had a great turnout with lots of great feedback from members of the fancy. Profit on the event will be approximately \$2700. We anticipate a large turnout at our next clinic which will be held in April 2024 as Blue Ridge Imaging and other services will be available. Thanks was extended to Judy Wagaman and her committee for coordinating the event.

The Administrative Chairs have been updated on the DKC website. Maureen Lucas has been appointed as Nominating Chair. Announcement will be sent to membership and Ms. Lucas will be assembling her committee in the upcoming weeks.

Chair for the New Member Welcome Committee is vacant; Obedience and Rally Group Leader position is also vacant. Please let Mr. Wrath or any Board member know if you are interested in either position.

Question was raised about keeping track of service hours for building and field access. It is the responsibility of the member to keep track of the events at which they volunteer. Meeting attendance is maintained by the Recording Secretary.

Ms. Pitz is working alongside the Board to find a weekend to hold a Club picnic meeting. The Club calendar is quite full with DKC and rental events. Most likely a picnic will be held next spring.

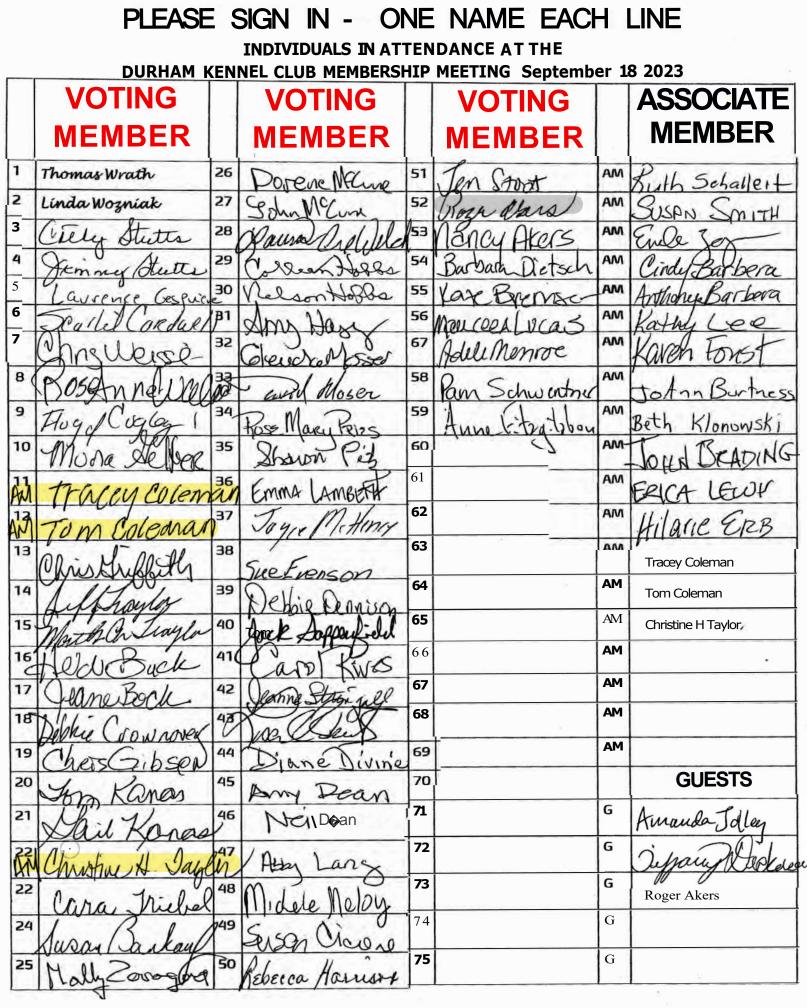
NEW BUSINESS: None

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There being no additional business to come before the membership, the meeting was adjourned at 8:06 pm on a Gitter/Welch motion.

Attest:

Linda Wozniak Recording Secretary



# **Delegates Meeting – September 11-12**

- After the Chairman's, President and Financial Reports were given, there was discussion of proposed amendments to be later voted on.
- There was a presentation and video of hunting dogs in the field narrated by staff member Doug Ljungren and judge Michael Faulkner. This can be viewed on the AKC website.
- There was an AKC Staff presentation by the AKC Archivist about the archives that are constantly being added to and improved for review and research, and a Staff presentation from the Business Intelligence Manager about Data Driven Workforce.
- 1. Obedience Stewarding Video
- 2. AKCs Guide to Responsible Dog Breeding

# Status By Sport – Number of entries

January – July 2023		% change from 2022
Conformation	898,451	1.7%
Agility	696,491	.5%
Scent Work	128,134	+15.8%
Rally	79,326	+13.1%
Obedience	62,791	+2.5%

2024 Agility Nationals – March 14-17 - Perry, GA 2024 Rally National Champ. July 18-19 Wilmington, Ohio National Obed. Champ. July 20 -21 """