

Greater Portland Old English Sheepdog Club
Minutes of the April 2009 Board Meeting

The meeting was held April 20, 2009 at the home of Jeff and Priscilla Menzel in Beaverton, Oregon.

Present:

Board Members: Jeff Menzel, Matt Alston, Sylvia Lindman, Dianne McKee-Rowland, Joanna Smith, Marsha King, Junior director Hanna Menzel,

Club Members present: Priscilla Menzel, Lita Long.

President Jeff Menzel called the meeting to order at 7:10p.m. The minutes of the March

Board meeting were approved (moved Diane, seconded Marsha, approved unanimously.)

Jeff requested an agenda change to give his report after the other officers.

Reports:

Vice President

Nothing to report

Treasurer

Dianne handed out a summary sheet of treasury activity including account balances, income, and checks written.

General Fund \$3390.01

Specialty Fund \$ 443.16

Cds \$3205.35

Secretary

Joanna read the new membership applications:

Betsy Rice and Kevin Stewart of Portland, OES is Gigi the Wonder Dog

Angelina (Angie) Ong of Portland, OES is Kato

Welcome!

Because the Club will need to provide proof of insurance for Summer events, Joanna will make sure that the policy renewal covers these events.

Some Board members have checked the Oregon Secretary of State website to view the club corporation information. Everything is correct including recently reported officer contact information.

President

Planning for Spring Fling, May 16. Jeff has visited the Spring Fling site at Reynolds Kennels in Tualatin.

There is an indoor area for the potluck with tables and chairs and an outside area for the dogs to play.

There will be a general membership meeting after the potluck and an egg hunt with prizes. Directions and other details are posted on the GPOESC website.

Since the Club needs prizes for the Spring Fling hunt and the Specialty in July, a craft workshop will be held Sunday, May 3 from noon-4:00p.m. Lita and Marsha had several good ideas for what to make and are experienced crafters. Other suggestions are welcome and everyone is encouraged to help out. More information will be posted on the GPOESC website. Related to this, Lita showed paintings of sheepdogs which were made into sets of placemats. These were sold at various events to raise money for the Club.

Walkabout. Everyone seemed to enjoy the warm, sunny weather for the Pearl Walkabout last Saturday. Guests Ron and Gretchen Hayhurst took many, many wonderful pictures. We had 15 OES join in the walk. A link is on the GPOESC website. The June 20 Walkabout will probably be in the Sellwood neighborhood of Portland. Details are still being worked out with the pack leader. All of the information will be on the website closer to the date.

Discussion followed about the value of consistently scheduling Club events on the 3rd weekend of the month.

In July, the GPOESC Specialty will be held Friday, July 17 with two shows. It precedes 2 days of all-breed shows at the Portland Expo Center. Even though this is not a weekend day, this is a major event for the

Club.

The August Walkabout will be held Sunday, August 16 in cool, shady Washington Park in Portland.

Jeff reminded everyone that he needs more "Bobtail Birthdays" for that section of the website.

Email protocol--Jeff suggested that all Club communication to members come through the Club e-mail. That way, members and their e-mail programs will recognize the sender and cut down on confusing or duplicate e-mails. Other advantages were discussed and all agreed this was the best way to communicate.

Distribution of membership list. The Secretary usually distributes a membership list to all Club members. To balance privacy with access, it was decided this year to just list the name, city, zip code, and telephone number of members. These will be available on PDF from the GPOESC website rather than mailing the list to each member.

Webmaster

Nothing to report.

Specialty

The Specialty shows have been approved by the AKC and listed on their website.

Priscilla showed examples of trophies--a Metallix trophy with the Club logo was passed around and a sheet depicting sheepdog art tile was circulated. All agreed on the designs and the proposed trophy list for both shows. A ribbon list was also discussed and approved.

Priscilla went over the list of duties and volunteers. The Board was updated on progress and gave suggestions for accomplishing these. The premium list looks good. There was general discussion about the ring steward and assistant.

Rescue

Lita briefly talked about Rosie, who with some additional training will not need rescue and will remain with her current family.

Lita was in communication with Oregon Dog Rescue regarding Baggins. This dog was placed by ODR but is still a problem.

Pinkertongue Editor

Between issues, nothing to report.

Open Discussion Old/New Business

A new issue of the German OES magazine has arrived and will be passed around to Board members.

Lita reminded everyone of upcoming events:

June 13 AKC Educational Match at Hillsboro Fairgrounds.

June 27 Show N' Go at Lita's for those who want to practice in a show ring. This is open to all breeds and will be a fundraiser for our Specialty. This event will be widely advertised and volunteers are needed help out anytime between 8a.m. - 4p.m.

July 30-Aug 2 World of Dogs at Hillsboro. The Club will have a large booth and the theme of "Old English Sheepdogs in America" was suggested.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:43p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanna Smith