

Greater Portland Old English Sheepdog Club Minutes of the July 18, 2011 Board Meeting

The meeting was held July 18, 2011 at the Pizza Hut in Tualatin, Oregon.

Present: Board Members Chris Jaeger, Dianne McKee-Rowland, Elise McCreary, Joanna Smith, Marsha King, Theresa Kamper. Club Member: Lita Long.

President Chris Jaeger called the meeting to order at 6:35p.m.

The minutes of the June meeting had been sent to Board members for correction. Chris suggested a correction for her report on the member survey which she will do after the Specialty. There were no further corrections. Dianne moved, Marsha seconded approval of the minutes. Motion carried.

Reports

President

Chris reminded everyone that after the Specialty she would develop a survey of the membership to determine their expectations of the Club.

According to the By-Laws, a nominating committee for the December Board and Officer election must be appointed at the July meeting. After consulting Club documents, Joanna said the committee should consist of one Board member and two general members. Of these, a chairperson is appointed by the President. Chris asked Marsha to serve as the chairperson. Lita volunteered to be on the Committee. Other names were mentioned as possible appointments to the Committee. Marsha will reach out to get the additional member before the next Board meeting.

The General Meeting and Summer Dog Romp! (originally scheduled for the first weekend in August) will have to be moved to Saturday, August 27 because of scheduling problems. Several sites were suggested including area dog parks. All were inadequate for the event. Dianne and Lita volunteered to host it at their place in Salem. They have a large, safe area for the dogs to romp. After discussion, it was decided to hold it in Salem, have the Club provide the main dish, probably fried chicken, with participants bringing either a side dish or dessert to share. The Club will also provide water, plates, and utensils. A short program on breeding and how to read a pedigree will be part of the General Meeting. The event will be 11am-3pm. Details will need to be put in the Pinkertongue, on the Club website and Facebook page. We will have our annual Rose Garden Walkabout in Washington Park on Saturday, August 20. We will meet in the Rose Garden parking lot at 11:00am. Chris would like someone to lead this walk.

Vice President

Dianne has "opted in" for the Club to be part of the AKC new owner program. When anyone registers an OES puppy with the AKC, GPOESC information will be provided to them.

Treasurer

Elise had not prepared a report for the meeting but will email one to the Board.

Secretary

Joanna has received several donation checks for the Specialty which she gave to Elise. The Certificate of Liability for the Specialty was received. A paper copy was given to Chris.

The certificate of appreciation for participating in the "Meet the Breed" event at the Clackamas Kennel Club Show in Canby on June 25 was shown to the Board. For an hour after the OES were in the ring, Sunny owned by Helena Xie, Bobby with Lita Long, Harrison, Belle and Beau with Priscilla and Jeff Menzel, Fiona with Joanna Smith, and others were available for "meeting." Club information, stickers, refrigerator magnets and publicity material were displayed.

Committee Reports

Bylaws, Policies & Procedures, Code of Ethics Review

Marsha will hold off on this until after the Specialty.

Specialty 2011

Dianne showed the Board a plaque she has made for the winner of the Saturday show. She and Chris will go shopping to find trophies for Best of Breed on both days.

While there are more entries this year, the catalog ads are down. Thus far, only one has been received. At the cost of \$30 for a full page and \$15 for a half page, the price is good so the reason for the poor response is unclear. Board members will see what they can do on short notice to generate interest in buying ads.

Marsha has finished the pins she has made for gifts to the judges. She showed each pin depicting an OES alongside a dog of the judge's breed.

Ribbons are on order with the new ribbon vendor who promises that they will be ready on Wednesday. Joanna has heard from our sister club, Old English Sheepdog Club, New South Wales that ribbons have been mailed and should arrive in time for the Specialty.

Set up for the show will be at 6:30pm July 21. Volunteers are needed for this and other tasks necessary for a successful show. No show experience is needed and it's a great way to learn about the Club's most important annual event. Contact Chris for information on what needs to be done.

Calendar

The next events on the calendar are the Walkabout at the Rose Garden and the Summer Dog Romp! mentioned in the President's report.

The herding event at Brigand's Hideout is scheduled for October 15, most likely starting at 11:00am. This will also include a General Membership Meeting and refreshments. Joanna will verify the start time with Nancy Ward.

The Canine Nose Work presentation is still on the calendar for November. Theresa will work on this after the Specialty.

Rescue

Lita said there was an OES from Idaho sent to a rescue group in Washington. She checked with local breeders in Washington, Oregon, and Idaho to see if the dog was from any of those kennels.

Pinkertongue

Chris said that the next issue will focus on the Specialty.

Webmaster

Chris noted that the Dreamweaver program was purchased and sent to Katie Schaefer and Scott Dougherty. Jeff Menzel is advising them on the technical details of the program and running the website.

Old Business

None

New Business

None

Chris adjourned the meeting at 7:45pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanna Smith

Secretary