

**Truckee Meadows Dog Training Club
November 7, 2016 General Meeting**

Officers Present: Joe Chinnici, Ronda Olk, Bill Long, Sharon Walls and Roberta Ramsey

Board Members Present: Jill Meagher, Cathie Rossman and Gail Lansdon

Absent: Ladonna Doud

Guests: David Fritsche, Kris Franklin and Rob Nemeth

7:03pm Meeting Called to Order

Guest Speaker: Deputy Sherriff Howard gave a demonstration of a police working dog. The mission of a K-9 unit is to find and locate, which includes scent and tracking, pain compliance (protection work) and force multiplier, which equals one K-9 doing the job of 10 police officers. We all met Max a 9 year old black German Shepherd, he gave us a very impressive demonstration of bite work. Thanks also to Bobby Young who was the decoy and had the bite marks from Max to prove it!

Roll Call

Reading of Minutes of Last Meeting- Ronda reported that she forwarded the meeting minutes from the General Meeting on October 3rd to Roberta Ramsey to forward to the membership on October 10th 2016. Motion to accept the minutes was made by Mary Ann Lambert, Kelly Roche seconded the motion, motion carried.

President's Message: Joe reported that this was his last General meeting as president, he thanked Alicia for finding us our current building. Thank you, Joe, for all of you hard work and dedication as president for the past three years!

Report of Secretaries-(Correspondence)-Roberta advised that we received a nice thank you card from the Terv Club for our help at the Bonanza obedience and rally show. If anyone has any info about the address or phone number for Lee and Debbie Griffith, please contact Roberta Ramsey, as we received their renewal application back as undeliverable and their phone has been disconnected.

Report of Treasurer- Sharon reported on the financials and had copies of the information for the membership.

Report of Training Directors- Shari stated that she and Ladonna will make a smooth transition to Roberta as our new training director. They are looking forward to having Jill and Joy as new puppy instructors. Mandy will be teaching an advance beginner obedience class as well. We have the schedule for the next year already planned out. We may have some special one off classes in December. If you have any ideas for special classes, please contact Shari or Ladonna. Due to low attendance, we will only have Saturday conformation classes. We need to work to have each Saturday covered by an instructor so we can offer a consistent conformation class. Tricks class will be on Wednesday nights, to see if we can get more attendance.

50/50 Raffle: We made \$60, Cathie Rossman won and donated the money back to the club, and also won the lovely holiday canister set, thanks so much Cathie!!! And thanks to Jill for all of her fund raising efforts for the swamp cooler!

Reports of Committees:

Webmaster-Kelly was absent, however, Roberta reported that we have a corrected class schedule now posted to the website.

Newsletter: Nora was absent, however, please make any submissions to Nora by the 15th of each month, including your brags!

Marketing-Gail L reported that she received the new three fold flyers. The new business cards have an offer for a 10% discount on the back, to clarify, this is not for members, only for new students.

Unfinished Business:

CGC, CGCA, Therapy and CGCU Testing:

CGC, CGCA & Therapy Dog testing will be held on November 20th at 9am with CGC, then at 10am CGCA and then finally at 11am Therapy dog testing.

New Business:

New Board Members & Officers for 2017: Joe presented the Slate of Officers and Board Members for election to be presented at the General Holiday meeting on December 4th, he also asked if there were any other nominations from the floor. There were no nominations from the floor, so he stated that the Slate of Officers and Board Members will be presented to the Membership on December 4th for acceptance. The list is as follows:

President: Cindy Smullen

Vice President: Bill Long

Recording Secretary: Ronda Olk

Correspondence Secretary: Cathie Rossman

Treasurer: Sharon Walls

Training Director: Roberta Ramsey

Board Member: Gail Lansdon

Board Member: Jill Meagher

Board Member: Al Lansdon

Board Member Joe Chinnici

Thanks: Elaine Oxborrow from the terrier club thanked the club, especially Ladonna Doud, for all of the help we provided at the specialty in Carson City.

Holiday Party: This will be the general meeting for December and the voting for the new board and officers. Shari will make a flyer to be sent out next week. There was a sign-up sheet for food and volunteers to decorate. The party will be held on Sunday December 4th. This will be our first Winter holiday at the new building!

By Laws/Constitution Committee: Cathie Rossman is working on getting this committee together so that work can begin in January. Once the changes are made, we will submit it to the AKC.

New members:

First reading:

Kris Franklin & Rob Nemeth of Reno, they are expecting a field Golden Retriever puppy in December

Adjournment at 8:36pm

Motion: Mary Ann Lambert motioned to adjourn

Second: Kelly Roche seconded

Motion carried

Respectfully submitted by Ronda Olk, Recording Secretary