Home of Jim and Maxine Shear

Members in attendance: Karen Lapierre, Jeff Lapierre, Sheila Standish, , Amy Bauman, Carol Reynolds, Barbara Clooney, Austin Koski, Junko Fujimara, Christine Hyde, Georgia McRae, Virginia Latham Smith, Jim Shear, Chuck Hudstedt, Jan Hudstedt, Kristi Burrus, Carol Kubiak, Milton Kubiak, Gloria Lawson-Riddle, Bill Strohmaier, Nancy Strohmaier, Amy Bauman, Nancy Dirgo, Nancy Bougher, Linda Van Bibber, Mike Gowring, Maxine Shear, Deirdre Dawson. Guests: Carl Strohmaier, John Jaber, Alaine Van Ness.

Vice President Virginia Latham Smith called the meeting to order at 2:07 PM.

A motion to accept the July 23, 2016 general meeting minutes was made and approved. M/S/C: Deirdre Dawson / Bill Strohmaier

**Report of the Treasurer:** Mike Gowring distributed copies of the treasure’s report. He reported there is a fundraiser deficit (See’s Candy and puppy calendar printing). He also reported that membership dues are approaching. The membership fees will remain the same. A motion to approve the treasurer’s report was made and approved. M/S/C: Nancy Bougher / Karen Lapierre.

**Report of the President:** N/A

**Report of the Secretary:** N/A

**Committee Reports:**

**Fundraising:** Deirdre Dawson mentioned that there are calendars available at the meeting for $17; or distributed (sold) elsewhere for $20. Also, the ATCA raffle tickets for the Aluminum Dog Crate are available at the meeting. Additionally, See’s Candy order sheets are available at the meeting. The orders are due Dec. 1, 2016 and will be distributed at the next general meeting, Dec. 10, 2016 or sooner.

**2017 ATCA Floating Specialty, Conformation:** Deirdre Dawson reported the banquet and hospitality rooms have been booked at the Hilton Hotel in Sacramento.

Deirdre Dawson reported the following events are planned for the 2017 Specialty:

* Barn Hunt Trials – Thursday through Sunday
* Wine Tour (Lodi) – Wednesday
* CATC Obedience and Rally trials – Thursday evening
* Hospitality – Friday night
* Banquet – Saturday night
* CATC special lunch – Friday and Saturday in the parking lot near the tent building

Deirdre Dawson discussed the following details for the 2017 Specialty:

* Auction Items – Amy Bauman continues to collect items for both the silent and verbal auctions.
* Trophy Fund – If possible, please donate to the trophy fund, when renewing club membership.
* Barn Hunt – 8 trials over four days. This is a club fundraiser ($3/per entry goes to our club). Ringside volunteers are needed (club members and others, please!!). Nancy Strohmaier will be utilizing an electronic volunteer sign up system to track what positions are needed, filled and open per day/trial.
* 2017 Obedience Judge: Alice Peterson notified the Devon Allen that she will be unable to judge as she is expecting the arrival of a new grandchild. Neither, Alvin Eng or Linda Hause is available. So, CATC needs suggestions for an obedience judge for the specialty. Suggestions for a judge that is approved by AKC to judge both obedience and rally should be sent to Devon Allen.
* 2019 Specialty – Open Nominations for Conformation and Obedience/Rally judges. Non-eligible judges include: Mary Jane Carberry, Valeria Rickard, Wood Wornall, Connie Clark and Clay Cody. Devon Allen will send out an email notification to club membership in regard to the 2019 specialty open nomination period for judges.

**AKC Delegate** – Virginia Latham Smith reported that she had an AKC PAC request

**Fun Day –** Carol Kubiak reported there was still a deficit for the “pre-ordered” T-Shirts; Fun was had by all who attended Fun Day; and she reported that the nosework station was held by a friend of Devon Allen who is a member of the Cairn Terrier club.

**Golden Gate Décor –** Carol Reynolds will be decorating the benching area; our club will make use of the banner from ATCA/CATC floater.

**Membership subscriptions –** Georgia McRae reported she had received a new membership application that will be reviewed by the board.

**Newsletter –** Virginia Latham Smith reported that current club newsletter editor; Sarah Roberts has decided to terminate acting as editor after the final 2016 newsletter. Therefore, a club newsletter editor is needed. Barbara Clooney expressed interest but needed more details.

**Trophy –** Virginia Latham Smith reported that a California landscape pottery sculpted by Judy Howell will be purchased for the floater trophy.

**New Business:**

**Nominations –** Board members for class of 2018 are Christin Hyde and Nancy Dirgo. A motion to accept the board member nominations was made and approved. M/S/C Kristi Burrus / Sheila Standish

**Sacramento Council of Dog Clubs –** Virginia Latham Smith reported that membership renewal is due. The council supports no-kill animal shelter in Sacramento and sponsors a meet the breed event. A motion to renew membership with Sacramento Council of Dog Clubs was made and approved. M/S/C Georgia McRae / Nancy Strohmaier

**Old Business –** N/A

**Meeting Adjourned:** A motion to adjourn the meeting was made and approved at 2:45 PM.

M/S/C Virginia Latham Smith / Carol Kubiak

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Strohmaier, Secretary