

Burlington Obedience Training Club  
Draft minutes  
January 7, 2021

**APPROVED AS WRITTEN ON MARCH 4, 2021**

Present: 7:00PM

Robert, Deb, Lynda, Janine, Val, Mary, Jennifer, Tom, Hilaire, Pam, Ilene, Lorna, Patty

Minutes of Dec. 3 meeting: Motion made by Robert to accept the December minute as drafted, seconded by Hilaire. Motion carried. Lorna and Lynda abstained.

Vote for New Slate of Officers for 2021:

Nominations: Pam, President

Lorna, VP

Judy, Treasurer

Ilene, Secretary

Board members at large: Deb (re-nominated for 3 years (term to end 2023)

Hilaire (term expires end of 2022)

Lynda (term expires end of 2021)

Bob, Training Director

Hilaire made a motion to ask the Secretary to cast one for the 2021 slate of nominated members. Seconded by Tom. Vote was unanimous for this slate of officers.

President: Pam discussed Judy's health situation with the group and asked guidance as to how to proceed in this interim. Ilene volunteered to handle the signing of necessary checks temporarily and Tom volunteered to be responsible for the quickbooks recording of transactions. Ilene is a signer on the accounts currently and will check with the banks in order to add Tom's name as an additional signer of the club accounts. Lorna would pick up the necessary access materials from Judy's house and be sure that Ilene and Tom get the materials to fill in this position for access to our accounts and check books. Ilene to check with the bank about adding the additional signer on the accounts. The club is still listing Judy as Treasurer, just adding helpers to that position and changing mailing of statements to Tom temporarily. This will establish a team for assistance. Tom made a motion to put this into effect, seconded by Robert. Motion carried unanimously.

Agility Trial, April: Tom suggested that we forgo April Trials this year for same reasons as last year, since most of our competitors come from out of state.

TD/TDX Test (May) Ilene and Lynda would like to investigate holding this trial since tracking tests are outdoors with limited contact and a small number of workers necessary. They will try to get willing workers in order to make it happen. Tabled until March meeting.

VST: Ilene and Lorna are positive that UVM will not allow us on campus for this test this year.

July Agility Trials: Tom wants to proceed assuming the state of Vermont will be in a better place by August seeing there are now vaccines available.

FastCat: Val is willing to move forward with this event in conjunction with GMDC as a match but nothing definite has been put together yet. Update at next meeting.

Obedience: A discussion was held regarding potential location for a scaled back obedience trial and possible venue needs in order to hold an obedience trial in 2021. Software needed, location, possible dates that this could occur all are being investigated. Pam would call AKC to enquire about open dates for late summer, fall. Discussion suggests we need to think outside of the box and entertain new ideas to make something happen and still conform to Vermont safety standards.

Jennifer requested people send her dog photos for the club website, concentrating on Valentine's Day theme.

Ilene mentioned that we typically do not have a club meeting in February. Next meeting will be March 4.

Adjourned 8:10  
Ilene Morgan, Secretary