

BURLINGTON OBEDIENCE TRAILING CLUB

DRAFT MEETING MINUTES

AUGUST 5, 2021

7:00PM meeting called to order.

Present: Patty, Pam, Jennifer, Hilaire, Bob, Ilene, Lynda, Janine, Val, Diane Sullivan, Tom, Lorna

Minutes of the July 1 zoom meeting: Motion by Hilaire to approve, seconded by Patty. Motion carried unanimously.

President's Report: Pam stated since there seems to be no alternative at this point, that we continue with Zoom meetings. She noted that there are more people attending perhaps because it saves the commute and we avoid the dangers of Covid. Special thanks to Bob for making sure all members receive a reminder and invitation to attend the virtual meeting. Wag it Forward sponsored by PFW was discussed. It was determined that this venue was not a good fit for BOTC so we would not participate this year. Val suggested that we explore other opportunities to engage in community education.

Secretary options for obedience trials were discussed with several people noted capable of being hired to perform this responsibility for BOTC at our next trial. As soon as a Trial Committee was formed in 2022 options would be discussed.

Treasurer's Report: Tom reported that the agility trials seem to have a \$2800 profit although a few more bills may come up. He provided a Profit & Loss report to record. Checkbook is balanced for end of July.

Secretary's Report: New member application received from Nancy Suarez. However did not attend this Zoom meeting so hopefully will be present at the next one. She has been added to the mailing list. Mary McFaun has also asked for an application. Tom reported a donation was received from an agility participant who was unable to attend this year's trials. Information was passed to Lorna (Sunshine Person) to send a thank you card for her kindness.

Agility Trials, July: Tom reported statistics regarding entries (down about 20%). Ring gating was supplied by Max200 at a cost of \$50. Everyone agreed it was money well invested. Trailer was not needed since Tom and Ilene transported needed items to the Field House. Doris has filed all paperwork to AKC.

Obedience: Training time is still 1-2pm at the Field House in Shelburne on Thursday. Ilene inquired if any other time could be secured. Pam assured us that the place was booked so that is impossible to change. About 5 individuals are making regular use of the time.

Fun Day: Lynda reported the Committee (Lynda, Lorna, Val) met by Zoom and suggested a Sept. 11 date but some individuals objected to that date. Conflicts appear to be in the way for anything firm at this time. More discussion after another Zoom meeting.

Scent Work: We discussed the possibility of scheduling another workshop like the previous one which was cancelled due to Covid. Lorna to follow up on that.

Other business:

Pam noted that a former club member had passed away, Kathy Murphy. Her Boxer Loki was rehomed.

Meeting adjourned 8:05

Ilene Morgan, Secretary