

BURLINGTON OBEDIENCE TRAINING CLUB
DRAFT MEETING MINUTES

December 2, 2021

BOARD MEETING; 7:00PM Present Pam, Ilene, Lynda, Deb, Hilaire, Bob

Minutes of November 4 meeting accepted unanimously in a motion made by Hilaire, seconded by Deb. Having no other Board business, meeting adjourned at 7:05.

REGULAR MEMBERS MEETING; 7:06 Present Bob, Ilene, Lynda, Pam, Deb, Hilaire, Nancy, Val, Janine, Tom, Jennifer, Lorna, Patty, Lori, Nancy, Mary, Kathy Magill. Visitor: Mary McFaun from GMDC

Minutes of the November 4 Meeting: Minutes were accepted unanimously without corrections in a motion made by Val, and seconded by Tom.

President's Report: Vt. Fed discussion. A summary was emailed to all members regarding the last Vt. Fed meeting. After a long discussion regarding pros and cons of leaving the Coalition, and GMDC indecision regarding a letter of concern, it was decided that there were so many different people and thoughts concerning canine use in Vermont, it was decided we need to wait until the next Federation meeting in 2 weeks in order to digest more information. Those with specific questions and concerns should send those concerns to either Bob or Pam before the next Federation meeting in 2 weeks.

Treasurer's Report: Tom Presented the proposed budget for 2022. Several corrections were mentioned. Ilene said she would email Tom the corrections for the tracking tests. Checkbook balance on Dec. 4 \$11,214.34 , Savings \$20,935.34. Sportsman Insurance Company has been paid for 2022 annual premium. A question of insuring each site where we hold an event was raised and asked if it was necessary to do that for each event or will one payment of \$50 cover all annual activities at the same site.

Secretary's Report: The Nominating Committee had reported their recommendations for new officer nominations for 2022. Nominations include: President: Ilene Morgan, VP Lorna, Secretary Val, Treasurer Tom, Member at large (term expires end of 2021 is Lynda and she is nominated for continuation for 3 more years.

Additional nominations from those present at the zoom meeting were asked by Ilene. Having no new nominations, the slate of officers will be presented at the January meeting.

Tracking Test 2021 May 7-8: No further updates

Agility Trials, April 22,23,24 2022, July 28-29-30-31, 2022 Premium is being prepared.

Obedience Trial: Jennifer and Lorna cochairs. Reported that May 21-22 has been selected as the date. Two day trial, 2 rings, one judge has been confirmed, other one has not responded yet. Both days will be offered by BOTC and will take place at the Shelburne Field House. A list of jobs to be done will be pulled together and sent out so people can sign up for specific jobs that weekend. New Ribbons need to be ordered for whatever classes will be offered.

Other business:

Ilene and Lynda requested permission to host an additional tracking test in 2022. Due to an overload of TDX individuals attempting to enter this level of test, they have secured additional properties to hold this test. Val offered to chair this event, Rio will be secretary, Ilene and Lynda will judge the test. Some people have already volunteered to lay track for this test. April 10 is available. A vote was taken and unanimously supported by all members to proceed with this April event. This test is an extra and would not interfere with the May tracking test.

A discussion followed regarding the possibility of hosting a fall obedience trial. A 2022 budget will be included for this event in case it happens. The general feeling was to wait until after the March 21-22 obedience test to make that decision. If we do not return to the Fairgrounds this year, we need to make arrangements for removing the stored ring mats. Would the Field House be available in the fall for a trial.

January meeting: Discussion as to the Annual Meeting. We will need to continue with a Zoom meeting which will take place on January 6, 2022. At that time we will vote on new officers for BOTC and vote on our annual budget.

Motion to adjourn at 8:00PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Ilene Morgan, Secretary