

# The Obedience Club of San Diego County Inc. General Meeting St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church Monday, January 22, 2024

Meeting called to order at 7:01PM by President Linda Greco.

### **Members Present:**

Linda Greco, Wendy Miller, Sally Nesbitt, Michelle Garmer, Betsy Hartwig, Vickie Burke, Kathy Marmack, Ken Miller, Karen Ernest (by phone) Margaret Williamson (by phone).

<u>Minutes of the last meeting</u>: Minutes of the November 6 board meeting were read by Linda Greco. Linda called for any corrections and none were forthcoming. Motion by Michelle Garmer and second by Ken Miller to approve minutes as read. Motion carried.

**Report of President** Linda reported that members have until January 31st to renew memberships. Number of renewed members at around 150. Basic Obedience classes have started. Intermediate/advanced obedience to start next Thursday. We are working on volunteers for our February 10-11 scent work trial.

## Report of the Vice President- No report

**Recording Secretary**—Question about delivery to members of Happy Heeler Newsletter. Some people did not receive it.

**Report of Treasurer**— Michelle Garmer—The audit for the prior scent work trials that took place between August 2022 and December 2023 has been completed. The audit shows that out of 7 one day scent work trials, 4 of them had a net loss and 3 showed a profit. We can make money on one day events but we need to be cognizant of expenses.

The one day October 14, 2023 scent work trial donation that went to Southwest Search Dogs Search and Rescue organization was miscalculated and overpaid by \$1100.00. The Search and Rescue donation was based on total revenue and not on net profit, after expenses. Detective trial lost money. Advanced and Novice Scent Work were shown to be the biggest draw. In older records there was found to be lack of receipts for reimbursement of expenses to board members. All written checks to Kay Hawthorne, prior scent work trial chairman, did not include itemized receipts, so Michelle is unable to categorize expenses in Quickbooks. Reconciliations received from prior treasurer were written on scratch paper and back of envelopes and are hard to follow, without receipts.

Discussion about opening a police K-9 savings account. Police department has filled out the required paperwork to become involved in the AKC K-9 Police Dog Assistance Program. and is awaiting feedback. There were pledges from the Awards Banquet by club members and friends that need to be honored but before that can happen, the account needs to be opened.

<u>Corresponding Secretary</u>—Robin, who was unavailable for this meeting due to hospitalization, had previously reported that vouchers were sent to those members who had previous VIP points.

### **Committee Reports:**

Bylaws Committee: Will meet in February timeframe. Standing Rules will follow bylaws changes.

<u>February Obedience Trial:</u> Trial Chairman Kathy Marmack gave a report. Discussion about possible need for van rental for hauling equipment to show site, box lunches to be ordered for judges and stewards for Thursday through Sunday (judges will be fed by Silver Bay during their portion of the shows) .Trophies and ribbons are ready for our 75th Anniversary show, and volunteers needed for setup and breakdown as well as assistance in running the shows.

<u>Unfinished Business</u>: Bobbie Sevier—needs a \$1400 check to pay the school for use of their facilities for scent work. Monies will cover all events at the school for 2024.

Linda in contact with insurance, requesting coverage for our meetings and events.

### **New Business:**

No new business

# Motion to Adjourn:

Motion by Wendy Miller, second by Betsy Hartwig. Meeting adjourned at 7:58PM.