

## **CKCS United Meeting Minutes**

**Date:** January 5, 2025

**Time:** 7:00 PM PST

**Location:** Virtual Meeting (Zoom)

**Attendees:**

- President: Charlie Ebeling (CE)
  - Vice President: Ana White (AW)
  - Secretary: Bev New Laird (BL)
  - Treasurer: Misty Little (ML)
  - Members: A.G., J.C., C.T., T.N, E.M., C.C., K.H., L.L.,
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### **1. Acceptance to the UKC as the CKCS State Club & Match Considerations**

- CKCS United has officially been accepted as a UKC club under the name **CKCS State Club**.
- Discussion on scheduling the first **UKC-sanctioned match**, considering logistics, location, and judge availability.
- Potential date options: March 29, April 19, May 16
- Need to finalize venue, confirm UKC requirements, and secure participation.
- Action Item: A.W to finalize match details and submit paperwork to UKC.

### **2. Update on New Memberships & Discontinuation of Incentive Gifts**

- Membership numbers have continued to grow, strengthening CKCS United's reach and influence.
- Due to sustainability concerns, the club will be **discontinuing incentive gifts for new members** moving forward.
- Instead, the focus will shift to **enhancing membership benefits** such as additional educational resources, mentorship opportunities, and exclusive webinars.
- Action Item: Membership Committee to update the website and member communications accordingly.

### **3. Plans for UKC Attendance at Pivotal Shows**

- Discussion on key **UKC shows where CKCS State Club should have a strong presence** in 2025.
- Shows of strategic importance include:
  - **UKC Premier Nationals** – June 11-15, 2025 Kalamazoo MI
  - **Classics** –
    - Midwest February 28 - March 2, 2025 Richmond IN

- Southern May 2-4, 2025 Batesville MS
  - Western August 1-3, 2025 Longview WA
  - Eastern October 31- November 2, 2025 Lebanon PA
- **Total Dog Invitational** - November 13-15, 2025 Lexington KY
- Need to determine who will be attending each event and how the club can best **support members who are competing**.
  - Possibility of a booth at events.
  - Action Item: Events Committee to coordinate club representation at these shows.

#### 4. Juniors Scholarship Program

- Proposal to establish a **Juniors Scholarship Program** to support young handlers interested in UKC and CKCS competitions.
- Discussion on funding sources, eligibility criteria, and award amounts.
- Ideas for raising funds: raffles, sponsorships, dedicated donation drives.
- Need to establish a **selection committee** and an **application process**.
- Action Item: Scholarship Committee to draft guidelines and present at the next meeting.

#### 5. IABCA Updates & Member Participation

- Review of **recent member participation in IABCA events** and successes in the ring.
- Discussion on whether CKCS United should continue **actively encouraging IABCA participation** or shift focus entirely to UKC.
- Some members still wish to **utilize IABCA for international titles**, but there is increasing preference for UKC's structure and credibility.
- Action Item: Members to provide input on future IABCA involvement; results to be discussed in the next meeting.

#### Adjournment

- Next meeting scheduled for: **March 7, 2025**
- Meeting adjourned at **8:39 PST**

**Minutes Submitted by:** BL

**Approval Date:** 1/6/25