

**ALLENTOWN DOG TRAINING CLUB  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
October 24, 2021**

**MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 p.m. by President Chuck Achenzie.

**Roll Call**

Present at the meeting were President Chuck Achenzie, Vice President Steve Markowitz, Recording Secretary Carol McCarthy, Training Director Phyllis Broderick and board members Debbie Achenzie, Linda Eldon, Gail James and Edie Rysdyk. Absent from the meeting were Treasurer Barb Artim, Corresponding Secretary Terry Papineau and board member Anna Guglielmo.

**Minutes**

The board had before it for approval the minutes of the meeting held on September 26, 2021. Phyllis Broderick moved to accept the minutes as submitted. The motion was seconded by Debbie Achenzie and the motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

**Treasurer's Report**

President Achenzie presented the Treasurer's Report (see attached).

No corrections or additions were noted. Steve Markowitz moved to accept the Treasurer's Report as submitted. The motion was seconded by Gail James and the motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

**Federation**

Edie Rysdyk updated the board on the court case of the veterinarian from Georgia. She traveled to Pennsylvania with her dogs and left them in her automobile while she was visiting a nursing home. The windows were open and fans were on. She was found not guilty of animal cruelty charges. This was in the Lancaster area and the charges were brought by a police officer.

**Membership**

Debbie Achenzie noted that renewal applications are coming in and she has about 25 so far.

## **Training Director's Report**

Phyllis Broderick presented the Training Director's Report (see attached).

Phyllis Broderick proposed to the board that the training instructors' hourly pay be increased by \$10.00 an hour. After discussion, Linda Eldon moved to increase the head trainers' hourly pay rate to \$40.00 an hour and the assistant trainers' hourly rate to \$30.00 an hour. The motion was seconded by Steve Markowitz and the motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

## **Committees**

### **Newsletter**

President Achenzie announced the deadline for the November newsletter is October 25, 2021.

### **Website**

Steve Markowitz reported the website is up to date and that contacts have slowed down a bit.

### **Nominating Committee**

Steve Markowitz presented a report from the nominating committee (see attached).

President Achenzie noted that Terry Papineau, as Corresponding Secretary for the club, will present the slate to the general membership at the November meeting and nominations from the general membership will be taken at that time.

### **Trophies**

President Achenzie noted that Cris Courduff sent an email to the membership reminding them of the January 31<sup>st</sup> deadline for trophy pledges.

## **Point Show**

Gail James reported everything is up to date concerning the May 2022 point show. She now has the contract with Show Secretary Chris Brooks.

She will form a hospitality committee closer to the show time.

Eddie Rysdyk questioned whether there will be a raffle at the show. After discussion it was decided there would be one raffle in the morning and one in the afternoon.

## **Old Business**

President Achenzie reported he got about 40 responses concerning the Christmas party email with 26 indicating they would attend and 14 indicating they would not attend. He also got 8 volunteers. After discussion, the board decided to hold the party on December 8, 2021. President Achenzie is going to check with Amy to make sure the downstairs area at Macungie Hall is available. Club members attending the Christmas party will be asked to bring a covered dish. Debbie Achenzie will get an updated flyer ready. Edie Rysdyk will oversee a raffle at the party and the board agreed on a budget of \$100.00 for the raffle.

President Achenzie reported that the storage company where the club has its storage room contacted Barb Artim recommending a specific lock which should be used on the storage room door. The club is already using that particular lock.

## **New Business**

Pending Linda Eldon's becoming the Recording Secretary for 2022, Dusty Springer will be taking back publicity.

Starting in 2022, the board will once again meet at Wegmans alternating between the Bethlehem Wegmans and the Allentown Wegmans.

Gail James announced that Lehigh Valley Kennel Club will have a 5-day cluster show in December. Obedience will be held on Wednesday and Thursday and Gail needs stewards for those two days. Those are the club training days which presents a conflict.

Steve Markowitz asked the board if the club could present an introduction to showing in Beginner Novice and Novice for club members who have not yet shown or who may be missing basic information about showing. Phyllis Broderick said she will conduct such a presentation for members on Wednesday, January 12, 2022. She will also conduct a members match on Thursday, January 13, 2022, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

## **General Business**

The next board meeting will be held on November 28, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. downstairs in Macungie Hall.

The next general meeting will be held on November 10, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. in Macungie Hall.

The Staples number is 610-439-2800.

### **Adjournment**

There being no further business before the board, Phyllis Broderick moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Edie Rysdyk and the motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

President Achenzie adjourned the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol McCarthy  
Recording Secretary

# TREASURER'S REPORT

# Account Balances - As of 10/20/2021

(Includes unrealized gains)

10/20/2021

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Account	10/20/2021 Balance
<b>Bank Accounts</b>	
Checking	17,470.94
Savings	0.00
<b>TOTAL Bank Accounts</b>	<b>17,470.94</b>
<b>Cash Accounts</b>	
Cash Account	0.00
<b>TOTAL Cash Accounts</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Investment Accounts</b>	
ING CD	0.00
Vanguard	57,821.68
<b>TOTAL Investment Accounts</b>	<b>57,821.68</b>
<b>OVERALL TOTAL</b>	<b>75,292.62</b>

## Income/Expense by Category

9/25/2021 through 10/20/2021

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Category	9/25/2021- 10/20/2021
<b>INCOME</b>	
Dues	275.00
Miscellaneous Income	89.00
Seminar	1,725.00
Training	2,240.00
Training-Rally	576.00
Training-Specialty	16.00
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>4,921.00</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>	
Insurance	815.00
Miscellaneous Expense	11.60
Telephone	34.98
Training Exp	1,105.00
Training Exp-Specialty	125.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>2,091.58</b>
<b>OVERALL TOTAL</b>	<b>2,829.42</b>

TRAINING  
DIRECTOR'S  
REPORT

## **ALLENTOWN DOG TRAINING CLUB**

### **Training Director Report October 24, 2021**

All classes both obedience and rally both Wednesday and Thursday are going into Week 5. The next 6 week session will start Wednesday and Thursday, November 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> with no classes Thanksgiving week November 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>. This session will end December 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>, if there is not a Christmas Party meeting night. If there is a Christmas party, then the session will end January 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

There is no training the week of December 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>.

Wednesday's class schedule is:

4:45 to 5:45pm – Open Instructor Phyllis with Dusty assisting

5:50 to 6:50pm - Novice, Advanced Beginner and Show Ready Novice  
Instructor Phyllis with Debbie Achenzie assisting.

7:00 to 8:00pm - Utility – Instructor Phyllis

Thursday Novice class 12 to 1:00pm. Dusty has been getting large classes and Debbie Achenzie will assist her class.

The STAR puppy/ beginner combined class started Thursday, October 21<sup>st</sup> 5:30 to 6:30pm. There are 7 enrolled in this class with ages ranging from two 3 month old puppies; one 5 month old; 3, 9 month olds and one 1 year old. The first night of class ran smoothly and the combining has worked. Terry Papineau, instructor

Both Linda's novice rally class and Anna's open and utility classes are running smoothly.

Ring Rental:

I had to send a reminder to the membership that the equipment must be put away after rentals on Thursday. The last two weeks all the jumps were left on the floor and the cones scattered about the room. Each person renting the floor space, is responsible for putting the jumps in the cart and the cones on the stage before they leave.

SEMINAR:

All the working slots are filled, all 22 of them. Kathy is still taking reservations for auditors. Both Kathy and I will need a hospitality committee. If you wish to be on the committee, please contact either Kathy Pugh or myself. Will need people to help with breakfast, snacks, beverages and lunch.

We will be ordering lunch from Wegmans, but need some homemade desserts.

The amount we pay the trainers: Head Trainer \$30 per hour; Assistants \$20 per hour, has not changed for at least 15 years. With the cost of gas rising daily as well as pay rates increasing, I would like to have the Board consider raising the pay to \$40 per hour head trainers and \$30 per hour assistants. Our trainers are very experienced and do a fantastic job and deserve to be compensated.

Respectfully submitted,

*Phyllis Broderick*

NOMINATING  
COMMITTEE  
  
REPORT

## **Nomination Committee Meeting**

October 24, 2021

The Members of the Nomination Committee met and communicated via email. The following Members were in attendance:

Jacqui Hartranft  
Wilma Brucker Krause  
Steven Markowitz - Nominating Committee Chair

The following Board Members agreed to remain on the Board:

Chuck Achenzie - President  
Steve Markowitz - Vice President  
Deb Achenzie - Member and Membership Committee Chairperson  
Gail James - Member  
Barb Artim - Treasurer  
Phyllis Broderick - Training Director  
Linda Eldon  
Terry Papineau - Corresponding Secretary  
Anna Guglielmo - Member  
Edie Rysdyk - Member

Two positions will be open: Recording Secretary and one Member. The Nomination Committee contacted Club Member Joanne Stock who is willing to serve on the 2022 ADTC Board of Directors.

Joanne has been a member of ADTC for 1-1/2 years. She has been affiliated with Staten Island Companion Dog Training Club for about 30 years serving in various roles including: Board Member, Secretary, Training Director, Agility Training Director, Obedience Trial Chair, and Agility Trial Chair.

Joanne has been training dogs for 30 years. Her Novice A Shetland Sheepdog, Sable, earned her U-OCH, UD, AX, AXJ, HT. Her other dogs included: MACH2 Jagger CD, MACH4 Storm CD, Angus AX AXJ. Haymitch, Joanne's current K9 partner, is 2 years old and started competing in AKC Agility this year, currently on Open Standard, Open Fast, and Excellent Jumpers.

It was decided unanimously to recommend the following people to the Board:

Chuck Achenzie - President  
Steve Markowitz - Vice President  
Barb Artim - Treasurer  
Phyllis Broderick - Training Director  
Terry Papineau - Corresponding Secretary  
Debbie Achenzie - Member and Membership Committee Chairperson  
Linda Eldon - Recording Secretary  
Anna Guglielmo - Member  
Gail James - Member  
Edie Rysdyk - Member  
Joanne Stock - Member

Respectfully submitted, Steven Markowitz  
Nomination Committee Chair