Orchid Isle Dog Agility Minutes From the Meeting of the Board of Directors 1-24-2023 Ring Central Online Meeting

- The meeting was called to order at 5:03 p.m. by President Renee Elliott. This meeting was held online via Ring Central. Board members present were: Renee Elliott, Bob Peck, Sandy Leggett, Tamara Brown, and Mary Jo Stevenson Fullen. This meeting was held in order to count the votes on returned ballots and update details for the February 3-5 OneMind Dogs Seminars.
- <u>President's Report.</u> President Renee Elliott welcomed everyone, and announced that the ballots had been received, and would be counted at our meeting. The new slate of Board members will be announced.
- <u>Treasurer's Report.</u> Treasurer Sandy Leggett emailed the Board the Treasurer's Report of financial activity as of January 23. Current balances are as follows: checking, \$2811.35; savings \$2846.37. There has been an increase of \$766.35 in checking and a decrease of \$.98 in savings (transferred to checking) since December 15, 2022. Sandy reported that the balances are at a level that would cover unexpected expenses, and that finances are stable from year-to-year. She reported that the club made money at the year-end fun run. The club still needs to sell more T-shirts in order to recoup the costs of the orders.
- Secretary's Report. Secretary Mary Jo Stevenson Fullen reported that the minutes for our General Membership Meeting held on December 17 have been approved via email, and that Sandy has posted them on the OIDA website. The minutes from our December 15 Board meeting have also been approved by the Board, but have yet to be uploaded to the website. Sandy will upload the minutes for our December 15 meeting to the OIDA website.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Elections. Sandy Leggett had in her possession all returned ballots, and separated them into two groups: (1) ballots that were returned before the deadline for Board member elections, and (2) ballots that were returned too late to be counted for the election of Board members, but which would be counted regarding the bylaw revisions. A video vote count of all ballots was conducted. The results of the Board Member elections are as follows: Vice President, Sean Fendt; Secretary, Mary Jo Stevenson Fullen; Board Members at Large, Marchand Green and Bob Peck. These newly-elected Board Members join President Renee Elliott, Treasurer Sandy Leggett, and Member at Large Tamara Brown on the OIDA Board, and will serve for a two-year term, which begins January, 2023. All of the proposed bylaw revisions were unanimously approved by those members

who returned ballots. The number of returned ballots exceeds the required threshold of 60% of the OIDA membership. Thus, all of the bylaw revisions have been accepted, and the bylaws will be amended as proposed. Sandy reported that last year OIDA had 31 members, and that so far this year 15 have renewed memberships.

SEMINARS

OneMind Dogs Seminar. Mary Jo reported that, at this point, ten teams have registered for working spots in the Distance Seminar, with three people registered to audit. Bob said to put him in, also, to audit. For Handling Techniques III, six teams have registered for working spots, and three people have registered to audit (two of which are one-day auditors). Renee said she could probably audit as well. Since the minimum is seven working teams for the seminar, and we have not yet met that minimum, Beth has given permission to allow experienced handlers who have not taken Handling Techniques II to register for a working spot in Handling Techniques III. She has also given encouragement for Scot Seo, who is an agility instructor, and who is registered to audit Saturday only, to bring his dog and see if he feels good enough to work his dog on Saturday. Sandy is considering the possibility of changing her audit to a working spot for Sunday in order to meet the required 7.

Distance Seminar with Jeff Lyons. Bob re-introduced the possibility of smaller groups of maybe 4 teams meeting with Jeff to continue the distance training begun last Fall. He suggested that if we use Kukini Field, that a good time for Distance Work with Jeff might be in the break between seasons of AKC Agility League so that Distance courses or exercises set by Jeff could be left on the field and practiced throughout the week. A discussion was had concerning the location of continued training with Jeff. Possibilities presented were Kukini Field, the back field/play area at Kukini, an alternate agility field, Jeff's yard, or someone else's yard. Bob will check with Angelic on availability and costs for continued training with Jeff at Kukini Field. Mary Jo will send Bob the Agility League Schedule. This will be discussed further at the next Board meeting.

UPCOMING EVENTS

NADAC March Trial and Nosework Workshop with the Elvstads. Renee announced that Sandy is the Trial Secretary, and Karen Lukela is the Trial Chair for the March NADAC trial. Sandy announced that, with the help of Alecia Elvstad and Mary Jo, the Nose Work Workshop and Games Registration Form has been completed and emailed to members. The NADAC Trial premium is also open for registrations. The deadline to register is February 24.

NADAC July Trial and Workshop with Marj Vincent. Mary Jo announced that she and Bob decided on the classes to offer for this trial, and that the request to hold a trial on July 29-

30 has been approved by NADAC, and is on their calendar. Classes will be as follows: Saturday: 2 Regular, 2 Jumpers, 2 Weavers, 2 Gamblers.

Sunday: 2 Regular, 2 Chances, 2 TnG, 2 Tunnelers.

Mary Jo reported that Marj is working on the course design and order of courses. Sandy reported that the template for the NADAC premium is on their website, and that she will email Mary Jo the template used for the March Trial.

Discussion was had regarding which workshop to ask Marj and Jeannie to teach. They gave OIDA four possibilities. It was decided that the Discrimination Workshop would be preferred. If OIDA were to have two workshops, one-half day each, the other workshop would be Verbal Cues and Body Language. The decision may depend upon costs. Sandy reported that Marj had previously said that she would give us the reduced rate of \$600 for the day, and that she suggested a full-day rather than half-day workshop. Mary Jo will follow up with Marj. The workshop is scheduled for Friday, July 28.

NEW BUSINESS

AKC Trial. Bob proposed the possibility of OIDA holding an AKC trial in order to give people more opportunity to earn qualifying scores and titles in AKC Agility. Renee reported that she had briefly looked into it, and that several steps need to be taken and qualifications met before AKC would grant permission to hold a trial. Some of those steps and qualifications include having a fun match with the presence of a licensed AKC representative, having a licensed show secretary, paying \$100 per day to AKC for the trial, gaining approval of the trial grounds, and possibly becoming an AKC licensed club. Sandy pointed out that there is a stipulation that only one club in a given geographical area will be approved for holding trials. Renee also mentioned the cost of ribbons, awards, and the judge. Renee will email AKC for further information. Bob suggested the possibility of UKI or USDAA trials, if AKC is not a possibility.

ADJOURNMENT

Sandy moved and Bob seconded that the meeting be adjourned. All were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 6:11 p.m.

I certify these minutes to be true and correct.

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Mary Jo Stevenson Fullen

OIDA club secretary