

Georgia Boxer Club
August 27, 2016

Attendance: Members - Sherry Johnson, Sherry Buchla, Todd Buchla, Bridget Brown, Sara Mathews, Susan Lichtenberger, Steve Stewart, Gina Currier, Jen McPhee

Attendance – Guests: Brenda O’Connor, Jennifer Baker, Laura Martini

Welcome: Sherry Johnson called the General Meeting to order, welcoming attendees and thanking Jen McPhee for hosting the meeting.

Minutes: Sara Mathews made a motion to dispense the reading of the minutes. Todd Buchla seconded the motion.

Board of Directors: The Board of Directors met prior to the General meeting and the following topics from that meeting were brought before the members in the General Meeting:

October 20th Prestige Show – It was noted by Sherry Johnson that in July 2015, the membership voted to not provide food at the show to save money. Sherry stated that she wanted to reinstate having the club provide food at the show but upon discussing the issue with Carol Simmons, the show chair for Prestige, it was discovered that the show site will not allow outside food until after 2:00 P.M. Motion was made by Todd Buchla to have the show at 10:00am with no food at ring side. The motion was seconded by Sara Mathews.

Date of the October meeting - The membership had previously voted to move the meeting from October 29th at the Marietta, GA show to Saturday, October 22nd in Jonesboro. It was pointed out, however, that many members that live farther distances away cannot attend the Prestige Show on 10/20 and return to Jonesboro on October 22nd for a meeting. Todd Buchla made a motion to move the meeting to a date that most people could attend, October 20th and Jen McPhee seconded the motion.

Whether or not to hold the Silent Auction at the Spring show - Sherry Johnson reported that the last auction netted \$238. She pointed out that Sara Mathews had overseen the last Silent Auction but noted that Sara will be the Show Chair this year and Bridget Brown would be judging. Sherry Johnson asked for volunteers. Jen McPhee offered to mind the table at the show and Sherry Johnson and Sara Mathews agreed to get the items (Boxer items and general dog items) to the show site in Perry. Sara Mathews made a motion to proceed with a Silent Auction at the Spring 2017 show in Perry, Ga and Bridget Brown seconded the motion.

Treasurer: Bridget Brown reported that the treasury balance was \$7,150.23, a significant increase from the balance of approximately \$1,000 last year. Sherry Johnson agreed to get additional information from the Atlanta Boxer Rescue on paying the club’s donation of \$500. Sherry Johnson reported that the Spring 2016 auction netted \$238 and the amount netted from the Spring 2016 show was \$353.44.

Secretary: N/A

Delegate’s Report: N/A

Prestige: Sherry Johnson informed the membership of the Board's discussion regarding the policy of the show site regarding bringing in outside food prior to 2:00pm.

Combined: Sherry Johnson reported that trophy sponsors were still needed for the Spring and Fall shows in 2017.

ABC: Bridget Brown reported that the ABC Regionals were being held in Topeka, KS from October 26-30, 2017 and she would be judging Veterans Sweepstakes on Saturday, October 29th.

Show Chair Persons' Reports:

Fall 2016 – Show Chair – Ken Johnson, Specialty Judge – Audrey Lycan, Sweeps Judge – Ms. Claudia Clifton.
October 20th

Spring 2017 – Show Chair – Sara Mathews, Specialty Judge – Ms. Cheryl Robbins, Sweeps Judge – Ms. Bridget Brown
April 16

Fall 2017 – Show Chair – Jennifer Graham, Sweeps Judge – Beth Downey. Sherry Johnson noted that David Bolus was not available and that Jennifer Graham (absent) would be contacted to get an update on the search for a judge for the Specialty.

Committee Reports:

Holter: Sherry Johnson reported that the Holter is available.

Web Page: Peggy Otto updates after each meeting, after minutes are distributed.

Boxer Rescue: Todd Buchla reported that Boxerstock, the Atlanta Boxer Rescue's largest fundraiser of the year, was scheduled for October 23, 2016. It was noted that last year, the Boxerstock fundraiser netted over \$30,000. Todd noted that the event was a fun-filled day and included demonstrations on agility, obedience, rally, and included face-painted, bounce houses, known musical acts, and other activities enjoyable for entire families.

Nominating Committee: N/A

President's Report: N/A

Old Business: Jen McPhee suggested the discussion about the use of Skype be tabled until the next meeting.

New Business: N/A

Braggs:

Todd & Sherry Buchla announced that 4M's Shame On Me, "Minnie," had a great weekend of showing in Kenner, LA, earning two Reserves and a 3-point major, as well as Best of Sweepstakes.

Future Meetings:

October 20, 2016 – Jonesboro Show site (a change from the Kennesaw Show site at Jim Miller Park)

December 2016 Christmas Party – to be held at the home of Todd & Sherry Buchla – TENTATIVE date is December 3, 2016.

January 2017 – (members only meeting) - location and date to be announced

Sara Mathews volunteered to host the meeting in February at Jonesboro.

Sherry Johnson reported that a host was needed for the Spring 2017 show in Perry – Jen McPhee nominated Mary Sechler.

Motion made by Sara Mathews to adjourn the meeting – the motion was seconded by Todd Buchla.