

Redwood Empire Mastiff Club

Santa Cruz Kennel Club-Vallejo, California

General Meeting

December 3, 2011

Roll Call:

Diane Collings

Kim Fisher

Jann Lanz

Loren and Laurie Freeman

Susan and Alan Dahl

Bob and Karin Weseloh

Chuck and Sheri Bona

Laura Watson

Trinette Pierce

Patti Wilkinson

Margo Lauritsen

Don Meyers

Sheri Bona

Chuck Bona

Minutes of the Last Meeting:

Read by Sheri Bona

Accepted: 1st Chuck, 2nd Karin

Report of the President:

Diane Collings:

Wilbur, my puppy, was exposed to Kennel Cough at the Del Valle Specialty. Other puppies were also exposed. Wilbur came down with Kennel Cough and it was so severe I almost lost him. Since on the first day of the Dane Specialty Wilbur showed no signs of being sick, other Dane puppies were exposed to Kennel Cough. This type of Kennel Cough carries pneumonia with it. It is especially dangerous for the very young pups and the older dogs. The Dane Breeders then brought the virus home to their own kennels. Needless to say, I'm not too popular with the Dane people right now. So please do not bring any sick puppies or dogs to shows! It affects us all. There have been several outbreaks. It is not easily dealt with. Use Doxi or Clavamox. If it goes into the lungs you can lose your dog. Clavamox affects the teeth. It's an antibiotic resistant so be careful. Go to your Vet right away and start treatment if your dog is starting to cough or has a runny nose.

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Unfortunately, I received an email from Monica Coyle resigning her position as Vice-President. She will stay on as Rescue Coordinator. So the position of Vice-President is open. If anyone wants to volunteer for this position please see me after the meeting. The Vice-President's position will be filled by the Board, per our Constitution at our next Board meeting, at the Cow Palace.

Please remember you are all expected to cast your ballots and vote on the judges we will use for our upcoming Specialties for 2013 and 2014. When you receive your ballots, **please fill them out and return them in a timely manner.**

That's the only report I have this time. So I will see everyone at the Cow Palace Show. Happy Holidays to everyone!

Report of the Secretary:

None

Report of the Treasurer:

Checking: \$ 3,382.05
Rescue : \$ 4,400.72
Accept : 1st, Trinetta, 2nd Chuck

we still have more members that haven't paid their dues. Please pay them as they are due and payable now.

Also, Jann there are three people that paid their dues and want to be on the Breeder's Directory. Jann will update the website.

Per Jann Lanz, we are now accepting PayPal donations for Rescue on our website. It can also be used for donations for trophies or the Specialty. Please be sure to designate what the donation is for. If you have any problems using PayPal you can call Jann Lanz and she will walk you through the process.

Rescue:

Have they made a decision for the dog that needs an ACL surgery? She is only 75 lb.s. She has AKC paperwork. Diane, who bred her? Anyone we know? Trinetta, no, it was a backyard breeder. We are checking around now for prices to do the surgery. She has a great temperament.

There is another male in rescue. He was given up because of a separation. He is 7.5 years old and very sweet. He has some arthritis but not bad. He is on medication. Then I think we have two more coming into Rescue.

Trinette: Can we post Rescues to the Petfinder website? It would be a good Resource to help us find homes for our rescues. I could find out more. Trinette will do some research and get back to us.

Reports of the Committees:

Del Valle Specialty 2011: Per Patti Wilkinson, the deposits and debits are here. I don't have everything.

Donations:	\$4,124.01
Expenses:	3,779.33
Total:	344.68

Cystinuria Clinic 124.00 (fees)
Shipping Cost: 124.69 (coming out of the Specialty expense)

Jann Lanz: Can we have more people on the Trophy committee for the REMC Specialty 2012?

Diane Collings: It's about what you can get donated for trophies. So we need to be more proactive getting donations.

Report for the 2012 Specialty

Karin Weseloh and Toni Hyland are getting together to go over the time table relating to putting on the specialty. The Judge is Bill Shelton and Toni has asked Del Valle if they will use him as a Judge so that his expenses are less.

Please see Karin Weseloh if anyone wants to take on a committee for the Specialty.

Nominating Committee: Diane Collings, Chuck Bona, Margo Lauritsen, Trinette Pierce and Bob Weseloh.

Unfinished Business: MCOA National Specialty, Jann mentioned that there has been a bid put in for Utah, by Tina Woods for 2013 or 2014.

Logo: Trinette Pierce and Loren Freeman will see about updating our Logo. We could sell sweatshirts, and bags to make extra income. Eric Lauritsen may have a template on his computer.

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Motion to Adjourn: All Ayes.

Next Board Meeting: Cow Palace, San Francisco, Saturday after the judging

Next General Meeting: February 19th, Sunday, Santa Clara, California
Sunday. Right after the Mastiffs are done showing.