

Kerry Blue Terrier Club of Chicago
Zoom Meeting 08/31/2021

Members present: Scott Wasserman, Melanie Feldges - President, Reita Nicholson-Vice President, Julee Manahan – Treasurer, Debra Pickard – Corresponding Secretary, Danny Mann, Kathy Metke, Eileen Lackland, and David Lackland

At 7:11 p.m. the meeting was called to order by Melanie. The first item of business was our 2022 specialty shows. The Board feels that they are critical to the club's survival. The club did not have a specialty in 2020 due to last minute action by Kane County or in 2021 due to the Elgin Kennel Club moving their show dates and venue to the Belvidere show at the beginning of July.

Reita contacted two kennel clubs, and reported the information that she had received from both clubs. Yorkville Kennel Club, which is held in DeKalb in April 2022, has a possibility of holding a Friday independent specialty. Saturday would be a designated specialty along with a possible concurrent specialty later in the day. On Sunday the club would have a supported entry.

The KBTCC would have to supply our own judges for the independent and concurrent specialties. Yorkville Kennel Club would supply rosettes for the top five placements (BOB, BOW, BOS, WD, and WB). The building is air conditioned, but no food is allowed in the building. There would be no bathing and the RV parking is on a paved lot without amenities. There is only one judge that could do terriers on their list, Jimmy Moses.

Reita has concerns over the infighting that appears to be going on in the Yorkville Kennel Club and that things still seem very much up in the air concerning their 2022 show.

In June, the Grayslake Cluster is a 10 day event; we could have a designated specialty on Saturday at the GLATA show, plus have another with the Little Fort Kennel Club which is on the Friday and Sunday on either side of GLATA. We could also have a supported entry on the day not a designated specialty.

GLATA would be very happy to have us come back to their show and their club picks up the contract. For a designated specialty, they would supply the stewards, judges and there is no cost for our ring. GLATA will take care of the premium list. KBTCC would need to supply them with a list of trophies for the specialty so our information is included in their premium list and catalog. We would use one of their judges for that day; either Kathi Brown or Todd Clyde.

GLATA would supply a table for our trophies during our show; the table would have to be cleaned immediately after our show so it could be ready for the next specialty,

We hope there will be inside grooming for terriers next year with the possibility that we may

be able to show inside. If we show outside the ring will be very close to our grooming area.

No food can be brought in but Susan, GLATA President, said that they had box lunches for their Westie specialty in their area. She said the lunches were very good and the exhibitors were happy with them. They did have some issues with not enough tenting area for exhibitors and some RV parking large rental generator issues. They are working on resolving the problems and hopefully next year will be smoother.

GLATA will give rosettes for the top five placements, plus they give us credit for every entry that we have; \$3.00 for up to 29, \$3.50 for 30 – 49 and any over 49 would be \$4.00. This would help with the cost of having rosettes for the classes and expenses that the club may have.

The KBTCC must obtain permission from the parent club to move our specialties and to get the application in to AKC.

Melanie asked for further discussion. After all discussion she asked for a motion to choose which venue would be better for our 2022 shows. A motion was by Scott, seconded by Julee, the vote was unanimous to have our 2022 shows at the Grayslake Cluster weekend with GLATA and Little Fort.

Scott said he would contact Little Fort to ask about having our specialty and a supported entry at their shows. There will be further discussions and decisions regarding our upcoming specialties at the next meeting.

Melanie brought up the nominations for the new board for the club. These are the nominations: President - Reita Nicholson, Vice President – Melanie Feldges, Treasure – Julee Manahan, Corresponding Secretary – Kathy Metke, and Recording Secretary – Scott Wasserman

If there is anyone who would like to put their name in for nominations to any of the positions, they may contact one of the board members and it will be added to the list at our October meeting as long as all procedures in our By-Laws are followed. There will be a ballot sent out to all members with the proposed nominations. If there are no other nominations then the new board will be seated at our next meeting in October.

Other Items of business:

The Meet the Breeds at Rosemont for 2021 was canceled but they should be having one in 2022. It would be great to have our Kerries well represented for this event.

Ellen Burrows need some help with storage of the Club's perpetual trophies She needs someone who is able to take the trophies, update the plaques each year, store them and get them to our specialties.

Julee talked about our website and that it is no longer supported by the Adobe platform. Stephanie Clark has a website hosting company and is able to Migrate our website and host it on a new platform. The cost would be \$150 a year and an additional \$50 a year if we want only Stephanie to add all updates. Julee would be the person that would work with Stephanie on this project.

Julee discussed returning the club meeting location at to the Schaumburg Library; but, the location is far for some of the members. The other option was to continue with Zoom meetings. After discussion it was decided that at this time the club will continue with Zoom meetings. A motion was made by Scott to continue with Zoom meetings and to pay the membership at \$149 a year, seconded by Julee, passed unanimously. David and Eileen Lackman generously offered to pay the fee.

Next meeting, October 26, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. – zoom meeting, Julee will be sending out a notice.

With no further discussions, a motion was made for adjournment by Scott, seconded by Julee. Motion passed by unanimous vote. Meeting adjourned 8:05 p.m.

Minutes prepared by David Lackland with additions by Reita Nicholson.

Respectfully submitted,

Reita Nicholson,
Vice President