Minutes of the Carolina PBGV Club Meeting, Saturday, October 24, 2009, Sleep Inn Suites, Concord, NC.

## In attendance:

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Meeting called to order by Ralph Hattox at 6.42 pm.

Minutes of previous meeting were approved (motion by Mike W., seconded by Victoria Cantor).

Secretary's report: Current membership stands at 29 households with 39 voting members, and 10 households with 17 associate members. Membership application accepted for Melinda and Bob Hoover (majority approval). Membership application read for Bob and Becky Padgette.

Report on 2009 Regional (Ralph)—entries for GMKC close on Wednesday, Oct. 28 so be sure to get your dogs entered if you haven't already. Mike asked if we get any money back from the entries since it's a specialty for us and Bobbe explained that we don't because we are using regular classes, but we did get our pick of judges and didn't have to pay for them. Ralph reminded everybody to send him the reservation form for the banquet. He has to have the final head count by Friday, 10/30. We are also behind on trophies as we have spent more (see treasurer's report) than we have collected.

Treasurer's report—as of 10/23/09 our balance stands at \$4240.82 but this includes the hunt income without expenses counted against yet. Expenses reported since September include the match (income of \$74, expenses of \$118), 2009 Regional trophy money (\$506—note that we only had \$250 of income in the previous report). There were also some minor ins and outs of dues money and refunds for change to associate member status.

2011 National Report—Bobbe and Ralph attended the PBGVCA board meeting (at the venue—Airport Sheraton) yesterday to work out details of budget and schedule. They are very happy to report that nearly all of the committee positions are filled with the exception of Grounds and Security which is still up in the air. Bobbe was pleased to say that she has never had the

experience of having so many people say yes when asked to help out (both local and national level).

Tentative Schedule: Hunt and Tracking M/Tu/W, then Wednesday will be the change over day with the start of activities at the hotel including our CPBGVC match (which Diann Shannon has agreed to chair). Thursday will be Regional Speciality and Sweeps and Obedience. Friday will be National Sweeps and Obedience. Saturday will be National Specialty regular classes. Members meeting Fri. PM, Awards banquets Thurs and Sat. Welcome Reception Wed.

Bobbe will be distributing an outline of what is expected of each committee head (according to the new PBGVCA show manual)

Report of Nominating Committee—

Pres.-Ralph Hattox, Vice Pres.-Maggie Lutz, Treas.-Wendy Murphy, Secr.-Mary Fluke.

Lynn Rowell and Shirley Van Camp will continue to serve on the board. Open board position (term ending 2012)—Beverly Childs. No nominations were made from the floor. The Nominating Committee (Kim Mabe, Dawn Allen, Susan Thomas) is thanked for their service

Match report—Ginger Russell reported on the AKC sanctioned A match held Sat. Sept 19 at Maggie Lutz's house. AKC approved our match materials so we are ready to go on to the next one. First possible date is 3/19/10 so we all need to be thinking about venues and dates with an eye towards good participation with the least conflict in scheduling against other events. Paul asked if there was a way for Champions to participate—answer: not in regular classes but we could offer a class "for exhibition only" for champions. We need 3 months lead time. We will discuss this further at the November meeting.

Hunt Committee: Mary asked for volunteers to serve on the hunt committee so we can get our application filled out and sent in. Wendy and Ginger have agreed to be co-secretaries again (after their sterling performance today against the odds of darkness, rain, and no electricity despite the best laid plans). Mike W. will also serve. Mary will send in the application for the Feb. Hunt this week. Good progress on judges, 2 dachshund judges seem interested—Shirley Knipe has volunteered, and Megan Esherick may be on board as well.

Wendy and Ginger recognized Sebastian (Bob and Becky Padgette) as our HIT qualifier today. Jessie (Paul Urban) qualified in Solo on Friday and earned her last leg on her Master Hunter title. Apolo (Nancy Terhune) was high score for the day (200) with Magic (Bobbe Jackson) and Angelina (Kim Mabe) following close behind.

It was a great day in the field and marked by a lot of good times and very few snafus.

Health Clinics at GMKC. Mary asked for approval to buy microchips (\$250 for 25 AVID chips)—granted. She will also have a box of Home Again chips available if people want them, but we advertised AVID and they are a little easier to order to we'll have them as the first choice. Mary asked for volunteers to help man the table and do the check in. Commitments

received from Ruth Hoffman, Wendy Murphy, Lynn Rowell, Ginger Russell, and Diann Shannon.

Website—Wendy noted that the website was up for renewal. The club was much in favor of maintaining the website. Wendy also brought up an idea to have a Facebook site as well for posting pictures and such (proposed by Dawn Allen). The members needed a little more information so we'll address this again in November.

## New Business:

Mary explained that Susan Thomas has been looking into the option of getting name tags for everybody in the club so we could be identified more easily at events. Unfortunately Mary neglected to bring the relevant paper to the meeting so couldn't outline the proposal clearly. Still, everybody seemed to think it was a good idea and wanted to hear more. (Mary will share this out via e-mail prior to November.

Victoria Cantor offered the option of polo shirts imprinted with the club logo and possible the members' names for \$12. Debbie suggested that she send a sample for review. Phyllis noted that this was something that might be a very good idea for the 2011 events.

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 pm (Ralph/Lynn—everybody left to go to the raffle).