**Sioux Empire Kennel Club**

**General Membership Meeting**

**January 14, 2020 – 7:00 p.m**.

President Suze Frentz opened the meeting at 7:00 with introduction of guests.

Suze shared highlights of the October board meeting.

Motion to approve the November minutes by Brian Schaffer. Second by Billie Kubat. Motion carried.

***Unfinished Business***

*Treasurer’s Report*

* We have $9,000 in checking and $82,000 in investments.
* The fall show lost a little over $5,000; the scentwork trial made a little over $5,000; the fall agility trial made $4,100; the summer obedience show lost $1,600. The lure coursing seminar made $200.00.
* Classes made $5,500.

*Classes*

* Nickie Johnson is taking over as Class Coordinator.
* The next class session starts February 23.

*Agility Trial*

* The May agility trial will be held the first weekend in May at Westridge Stables.

*Obedience Trial*

* Ginny announced that the fall judges have been lined up. She also mentioned that she will be sending out Save the Date announcements.

*Scentwork Trial*

* The spring scentwork trial will be held April 4 & 5 at the Canaries stadium.

*Board Election*

* Since there were no nominations from the floor, there was a motion from Karen Bos-Carey to accept the slate as presented and declare the officers elected. Second by Brian Schaffer. Motion carried. Officers for the next term will be Suze Frentz, President; Cassie Benson, Vice-President; Dee Isakson, Treasurer; and Cindy Bailey, Secretary.

*Other Business*

* First readings were held for Megan Cramer and Stacy Einck-Paul.
* Second readings were held for Denise Cruce, Celia Hogan, Susan Scholtz, and Kristen Sequin. All applications were approved.
* DHRC will be using the clubhouse Saturday mornings from 8:30-10:00 for the next 5 weeks.
* The 4-H dog project will be using the clubhouse the second Saturday of the month from 6:00-8:00 p.m. from February to April.
* The lease is still in process.
* We should be hearing from AKC soon about the by-laws.
* Suze and Brian met with the city Emergency Management Team. They could use crates and generators. They do have a trailer but have never had to use it. They would like names of volunteers to help care for the animals if needed, including feeding, etc.
* Karen Bos-Carey asked about having a disaster response list for club members. Suze said to contact Cindy and have her send out a request if needed.

***New Business***

* The Award Banquet is scheduled for March 20 at the Holiday Inn City Centre. Suze announced that this year members will need to pay for their meal at a cost of $25.
* Brian Schaffer announced that the city has opened additional land for the unfenced dog park. He asked about volunteers from the club to help clean up the new area, possibly moving some big pipes that he thought might be able to be used to make a tunnel. Following discussion, Suze asked Brian to contact the Parks & Recreation Department and report back at the next meeting.
* Karen Bos-Carey announced that on February 4th Big Paws will be holding an advanced nosework class. She said that club members were welcome to use the clubhouse but asked that those who were practicing agility not use the teeter.

Motion to adjourn by Billie Kubat, second by Leah Hanson. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

Cindy Bailey

SEKC Secretary