

Rainier Hunting Retriever Club

Board Meeting

March 13, 2018

3131 Elliot Ave, Seattle, WA

Attendance: Secretary, Jean Fowler; Treasurer, Katie Mearns; Susan Bell, Dianne Clark, Liz Gibson, Sue Meyring. By Phone: Jim Olson, Betsy Reali. Absent: Doug Gallucci

Jean called the meeting to order at 6:37 PM. The minutes for the December 5th meeting and February 10th meeting were approved.

Secretary's Report (Jean Fowler): Nothing additional was reported.

Treasurer's Report (Katie Mearns):

Current Bank Balance: Katie reported on the Jan and February 2018 bank balances. Currently there is \$5770.63 in the checking account.

Annual Banquet/Awards: Katie provided a detailed accounting of the banquet. There is an outstanding bill for what is owed to the Tacoma Yacht Club. Liz will contact the Yacht Club and request a duplicate bill be sent to Katie.

Spring Hunt Test Estimated Budget: Katie provided an estimated budget for the Spring Hunt Test. Minor tweaks were made by board members. Susan will explore other outlets for ribbons. Liz asked Katie to include the donation of \$100 that is to be made to the TriClub Account for equipment and upkeep. It will be included in any budget for a field event. The cost of the dumpster will also increase because EGRC will not be using it this year. In order to reduce the cost, the dumpster will only be available for the months of May and August (locked during the other months).

TriClub Account: Clarification on usage for the funds in the TriClub Account was made. These funds will be used for equipment repair/replacement and trailer maintenance (new tires, packing bearings, etc.). RHRC will pay out of the TriClub account and Katie will send duplicate receipts to PSLRA and EGRC for any expenditures.

Committee Reports:

Cherry Valley (Jim Olson): Jim reports that the gate to Cherry Valley is not yet unlocked but should be soon. Cindy Olson continues to meet with individuals from the Department of Fish and Wildlife and feels positive about the prospects of having the grounds available for dog training this year.

Elections of New Members (Jean Fowler): There are no new members. The Club currently has 46 members. Several past members (from 2017) have not renewed their membership. Several board members volunteered to personally contact these club members to see if they will renew.

Unfinished Business:

Spring Hunt Test (Susan Bell): Judges have been appointed. Betsy Reali will be Hunt Test Chair. Jim Olson suggested that we look into getting broken guns repaired instead of welding them closed (and using for handler's guns) given the cost of replacing the guns. Event Insurance: Equisure, Inc. is the carrier. Doug will contact them and Katie will write the check.

Trailer Hitch: Hitch is still stuck on Doug's truck. He needs to get it removed. Liz may have one that can be used for the Equipment Trailer.

New Business

10 Series (Katie Mearns): Katie proposed that we increase the entry fee to \$50 for adult dogs (an increase of \$5). After discussion it was suggested that we to eliminate the lunches and reduce the cost of the judges gifts rather than increase the entry fee. Jean was asked to contact Tom/Katie Quarles to see when they might be able to attend the 10 series. Katie Mearns presented a proposed budget for the 10 series. Detailed discussion was tabled to the next meeting.

Fall Hunt Test: Discussion was tabled to the next meeting

Annual Banquet: Discussion was tabled to the next meeting.

Budget Audit: Sue Meyring will organize.

Next meeting: The next meeting will be held on April 3, 6:30 PM, Liz's office.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Jean Fowler, RHRC Secretary