

Rainier Hunting Retriever Club Board Minutes

November 14, 2023

Attendance: President Betsy Reali, Doug Gallucci, Jean Fowler, Lee Redd, Susan Bell, Liz Gibson, Bill Woll, Jim Olson. Absent: Kevin Medved, Sue Meyring

President Betsy called the meeting to order at 6:35 PM and welcomed everyone. The minutes from the October 3 Board meeting were approved as written.

Treasurer's Report: Lee Redd reported a cash balance of \$14,254.37. No major expenses since the October statement.

Old/New Business –

Master National Report: There were no significant changes reported at the Master National Delegate meeting. All proposed restructuring proposals failed to meet the required support, Bylaw changes proposal failed, Frank Barton was elected VP for Region 2, Jeff Henderson elected Director of Region 1, Charles Pugh elected Director for Region 3 and Dede Paterson elected Secretary. A more complete report will be published in the November RHRC Newsletter. Several club members attended the event. Bill Woll and Randy Clark were successful at qualifying. Bill qualified Faith and Randy qualified both Alice and Tripp.

Master Amateur: The event planning process is underway. There will be an auction and Susan Bell is donating a hand painted watercolor.

Committees:

2024 Judges Committee: RHRC test dates (as published by AKC) are: May 11/12 and August 10/11. Susan Bell, Liz Gibson and Bill Woll will be on the Judge Selection Committee. They asked for monetary guidelines regarding how much money was available to bring judges to our event who live out of state. PSLRA may only hold one HRT in 2024.

Nominating Committee: Three Board positions will need to be filled in 2024: President, Vice President, and Secretary. According to the RHRC Bylaws, only one member of the RHRC BOD can be on the Nominating Committee and Betsy Reali volunteered. She will reach out to other RHRC members to secure the remaining members of the committee to achieve a total of 3 – 5 members on the committee.

Liz Gibson volunteered to fill the position of Vice President.

Banquet Committee: Jean volunteered to work on this committee along with Lee and Tracy Redd. She will ask Katie Mearns to join them. Several new locations were suggested for the event. Lee and Tracy will scout them out.

Training Day Committee: Our first training day will be in February. Due to concerns regarding the weather and availability of volunteers, we will attempt to hold training on February 24. The plan is to hold training days on the 3rd weekend of every month through September.

AKC Advanced Judge Seminar: Doug Gallucci will submit the application to AKC and ask for a weekend in April. We will select the first 3 weekends in April and AKC will identify which weekend. We will also apply to the Master National for a grant to help support the cost of the event.

Gun Buy Back: Betsy is still working on this project. No recent buy-back offers have been advertised.

The Board welcomed new member Anna Guerra who lives in Edmonds and has a lab puppy. The meeting was adjourned at 7:38 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Jean Fowler, RHRC Secretary