

Napa Valley Dog Training Club
Board Meeting Minutes
December 16, 2025

Attendees: **Officers** – Linda Luchsinger, President, Adrienne Amdahl, Vice President. **Members at Large** – Sandy Bonifield, Debbie Hilton, Vange Leonis. **Past President** – Linda Wargo. **General Members** – Sue Osborn, Sara DeCrevel.

Meeting called to order at 12:26 pm

Debbie motioned to approve the minutes from the November 29, 2026 board meeting with the following corrections: Under Old Business item 2 – remove the words “white elephant”. Under Old Business final paragraph, the third sentence should read “Debbie and Dena will coordinate with Linda on that project – date will be determined after Linda Wargo lets them know **when** the awards are ready”. Linda Wargo seconded the motion Aye 5, No 0, Ab 1. Motion passed

Sue Osborn attended the meeting to review her many jobs she’s been doing for the club and to go over where we are with the covering of those jobs as she retires at the end of the month. Sue’s presentation handout entitled **Status of Website and More** attached at appendix 1. Under item A “Emails” we did ask that Sue set up the fully hosted email address scentwork@nvdte.org in the event we run another trial. Under item C Sue noted that the temporary home page will be active until 1/1/26.

Treasurer’s Report – Vange Leonis

Checking \$17674.72 @ 11/30/25 and \$13,653.76 @ 12/13/25
Savings \$22,371.52 @ 11/30/25
CD \$21,588.60 @ 11/30/25
P&L for November – net loss of \$5,022.77. YTD loss of \$956.53

The CD was renewed on December 11th for 6 months at a rate of 3.45%. The CD earned \$926.52 during its last 30-month term.

We need a second signer on the checking account for 2026 since Adrienne is stepping off the board. Sandy has noted she could be the second signer. Linda Wargo motioned to accept Sandy as the second signer on the checking account. Liinda Luchsinger seconded. Aye 6, No 0, Ab 0. Motion passed. Sandy and Adrienne will arrange getting new signature cards signed at Columbia Bank.

Vice President – Adrienne Amdahl

We currently have 56 members and as of the December 8, 2025 General Membership Meeting 15 current members had renewed.

Someone needs to be in charge of our Bonfire account for future t-shirt sales. Adrienne suggested Miranda Clark (new 2026 board member at large) as she will be running a future vendor fair fundraiser for the club and that might be a good place to promote t-shirt sales.

Office – Sandy Bonifield

We have had lots of phone calls and interest in our January classes.

Publicity – Vange Leonis

Vange has been getting rack cards out to all the vets office. It was noted that Silverado Vet needs some rack cards – Sandy will drop some off.

Building – Debbie Hilton

The January cleaning day is on Saturday the 10th from 10 am – 12 noon. Debbie will ask Sue to block that on the club calendar. Prior to the cleaning day Debbie will be doing some high dusting and some cleaning of carpeted items.

The pipe replacement project is completely on hold. Our mats need retaped and the intent was it would happen when the mats went back down after the pipe project. We are going to table any plans for the replacement of all of the mat tape at this time. However, there are areas of the mat tape that do need immediate attention. Dante (Linda Luchsinger's contact for labor for this job) and Debbie will meet to work up an estimate on some spot repairs of the mat tape.

Pest control is scheduled for February 27th during the break week.

Debbie will update the bulletin board before the next session starts. She will also post the new AKC poster and she has ordered a new labor law poster.

Training – Linda Luchsinger

The next training meeting will tentatively be held on January 6, 2026 at 12 noon (to be confirmed with the trainers). Class reviews will be discussed with the trainers at that time.

Old Business

The Gerry Glantz Award committee meeting is upcoming. Please send nominations into the committee ASAP.

Linda Wargo reached out to Moving Forward Toward Independence and tried to arrange 3 different times for the MFTI client to observe a class, but it never came together,

Liability insurance – it is our understanding that this insurance does cover student's dogs but does not cover member's or trainer's dogs. Unsure of coverage if the trainer or member is attending as a student. Vange will confirm with our broker. Vange also noted that, per our broker, our carrier will change to Kennel Pro in August.

Banquet/Awards – Debbie and Dena will be planning the banquet. Applications for awards are due at the January General Membership Meeting. The banquet needs to focus more on the Club as a whole not just those who choose to compete and earn titles for the dogs.

New Business

Linda Wargo motioned to officially note that Sue Osborn has been awarded a lifetime NVDTTC club membership in recognition of her years of volunteer service to the club. Sandy seconded. Aye 6, No 0, Ab 0. Motion passed.

The Cairn Terrier Club has asked to rent the building all day on January 31, 2026. Linda Wargo motioned to approve the rental. Sandy seconded. Aye 6, No 0, Ab 0. Motion passed.

Judy Gamet's Dogs Can Dance contract need to be renewed for the coming year. Linda Luchsinger motioned to change the fee Dogs Can Dance pays to the club under Section A of her contract from 50% to 40%. The remainder of the contract will stay the same. Vange seconded. Aye 6, No 0, Ab 0. Motion passed. Linda Luchsinger will take care of getting the new contract executed.

Next board meeting will be on Tuesday January 20, 2026 (one week earlier than the usual 4th Tuesday of the month) at noon at the PSI conference room

Meeting adjourned at 2:25 pm

Minutes respectfully submitted by Adrienne Amdahl