

NAPA VALLEY DOG TRAINING CLUB
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
April 8, 2024 at 6:30 PM at NVDTTC Clubhouse

I. CALL TO ORDER: _6:30 pm__

II. Call for additions or changes to agenda - none

III. APPROVAL of MARCH 11, 2024 MINUTES—Linda Wargo

A. Approved as Written

IV. TREASURER’S REPORT—Lori Jackson

A. Business Checking Account \$15,919.73

B. Business Savings Account \$22,367.54

C. Certificate of Deposit: \$20,921.00

D. February and March Profit & Loss Statements:

- February. \$2,697.13 YTD loss (-\$1,928.04)
- March -\$577.42 YTD loss (-\$2505.46)

V. BOARD, COMMITTEE, & CHAIR REPORTS

A. PRESIDENT—Linda Wargo

- AB5 Status
 - No changes.
 - Waiting on quote for Workers Comp Insurance
 - Suggestion to go with State Fund verses our broker

B. VICE PRESIDENT—Carol Coawette

- We have 49 members. Nothing new to report.

C. MEMBERSHIP/COUPONS—Carol Coawette/Lori Jackson

- Lori passed out board coupons. Members questioned why the board got coupons. Because board does not provide a service so they can continue to receive coupons. Same as getting coupons for coming to meetings. This was from the labor lawyer discussions.

D. OFFICE—Mary Ash

- Carol reported that the payments for the upcoming session were looking good
- Only had enough signups to have one puppy class in the upcoming session.
- Discussion about whether the puppy pipeline is drying up ensued.
- It was noted that we have had this happen before and the solution was to do a publicity push.

E TRAINING—Donna Golemon

Donna will be starting at least one beginning Scent Work class next session

F. PUBLICITY

1. It was noted that members need to like and share Facebook posts so they go out to folks who are not in the club

G. BUILDING—Karen Jackson

1. Karen reported that she sanitized the crates and was planning on cleaning the fans.
2. Karen and Roxann provided information on the MSDS labeling project

H. NEWSLETTER/WEBSITE—Sue Osborn

1. Deadline for May-June newsletter submissions is April 22nd.

I. HOSPITALITY

1. Tonight: Linda Wargo
2. MAY 13, 2024: Karen and Lori Jackson

J. SUNSHINE—Debbie Hilton

1. Nothing to report
2. Linda Luchsinger reported that Maria Giaccio, a former member and assistant, is battling cancer and that there is a go fund me to help her.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

1. Year End Awards — Linda Wargo

- Linda reported awards have arrived and are ready for the banquet.

2. Year End Banquet – Sue Osborn

- Sue reported that 18 individuals were planning on attending the banquet with two additional attendees for the awards portion.
- There will be games and decorations
- Thanks to Debbie Hilton and Dena Parrish for doing the gift baskets

3. May Madness – May 13 2024 – Karen Jackson

- Karen provided some more detail on the stations for the event.

4. Updates to Guidelines and Procedures

- Status of subcommittee to revamp Section XXX-F - Instructor Pay Raises. (Mary Ash, Marilane Bergfelt, Roxann Gracia) tabled.

5. November meeting” bring your dog” for Holiday pictures

- Linda Wargo and Linda Luchsinger both volunteered photo back drops.

6. Musical freestyle “bring your dog” meeting with Judy Gamet tentatively planned for August – Linda Wargo

VII. NEW BUSINESS

1. Discontinuing the Gerry Glantz Memorial Service Award – Linda Wargo

- Linda reported that the board had discussions about discontinuing the award. After much discussion the membership made it clear they thought the award should stay and that there should be efforts made to thank each other more often. Some ideas expressed were a newsletter section of “Meet the Member” or perhaps determining a member of the month. There was also a discussion about a lack of transparency about what is happening on the training floor and what effort people put in. We will look for ways to improve the award.
- There was discussion of the reinstating the Member of the month with a certificate.

- It was also suggested we institute a “Meet the Member” section for the newsletter with a picture of the individual.
- Linda Wargo asked members to email her at president@nvdtc.org if they want to recognize another member and to please provide detail.

2. RD Winery Opportunity

- RD winery is hosting an event for folks to bring their dog to the winery on Sept 14 from 3:00 -7:00 pm and asked if we wanted to have an information table/booth.
- Marilane volunteered to take on contacting the winery for more information.

VIII. BRAGS

1. Dena Parrish and Tzoey earned their first two legs in Advanced Rally
2. Carol Coawette and Pierre earned their NACSW Odor Recognition Test Title
3. Carol Coawette and Louie earned two of their three qualifications toward their NACSW Odor Recognition Test.

IX. MEETING ADJOURNED at 7:32 pm

Submitted by Linda Wargo