

Minneapolis Kennel Club Minutes, 7/15/2025

Meeting called to order at 7:04 by Vicki Barker

Attendees in person and via Zoom

Vicki Barker

Scott Jacobson

Larry Mackai

Kathy Mackai

Peg Gerold

Duane Pulford

Carolyn Kratsky

Dick Reuter

Bob Weideman

Representative from Sharpening Center

Secretary Report:

Minutes from last meeting have been posted on the website (www.minneapoliskc.org). Members are invited to read the minutes and if there are additions or corrections, they will be addressed. If not, the club will waive a reading of the minutes and approve.

Treasurer Report:

Duane presented treasurer's report. Shared the bank statement with those present. Report approved by membership in attendance.

New Business:

A representative, Brandon, from American Sharpening Center presented about their business sharing cost for shears, blades and shipping. Costs were \$14.00 for shears, \$9.00 for blades and \$9.95 for shipping. They will try to sharpen some blades on Saturday and return on Sunday. Otherwise, blades will be shipped to owners. They will be invited to be sharpeners at the MKC 2025 show.

Decision was made to make a \$100.00 donation to Helping Paws in honor of Melissa and Mark Hortman and their dog, Gilbert, who died in a terrible manner recently. Gilbert was a Helping Paws dog.

Obedience Trial update:

Date will be in March 2026. Peg has hired one judge, Susan Emerson, and is looking for two more judges. The entry fees were increased by \$1.00.

Breed Show Update:

Larry discussed that the premium list has been reviewed and will go to BaRay by July 30, 2025. He is still dealing with approval issues with the English Cocker Club, but they will be resolved. The Premium List will be available to exhibitors at the end of September and the show closes on November 5, 2025. Larry requested the help of someone to pick up show stuff from storage locker on Friday of the show weekend. Scott thinks he'll be able to help but will be able to confirm closer to the show date.

First Aid course update:

Still no word from Scott's neighbor whether or not he'd be able to help.

Discussion about increasing interest in club and club activities:

Possibly join MN Purebred Dog Breeders Association's exhibit at State Fair. Carolyn will check for details and get back to us.

Larry suggested that we also participate in Responsible Dog Ownership Day at their next event. We will check on that when date is announced.

Bob Weideman has offered to keep the website updated by communicating with our web master, Theresa Goiffon. He will also contact Russ and Lisa Byman about the FB page updates.

Motion made to adjourn meeting at 8:20. Seconded and approved. Meeting adjourned.

Braggs.