

**May 21, 2016 K9ScooterNW Meeting held at Lake Sylvia State
Park**

Meeting called to order at 12:07 pm by President Susan Scofield.

Donna Peck temporary Secretary filling in for Secretary Ingrid Earle.

Roll

Susan Scofield, Judge Sullivan, Jody Berrigan, Kelly Owen, Karla Boyle, Donna Morton, Donna Peck, John Andrews, and guest Amanda Thatcher. Joined by Bekkie Harris and guests Angela and Jessie at 2:00pm

Minutes of last meeting

Accepted as read

Treasurer Report

\$1812.30 in checking, \$635.00 in savings for insurance, \$100.00 Cash on hand. \$80.00 in checks to be deposited, \$250.00 coming from Amazon. Need to pay sanicans for race. Will follow up on bill for sanicans.

Vice Presidents Report

Provided a list of all members currently serving on committees.

Sponsorship committee

Jason S, Susan S, Tara B, Judge S, Karla B, Kelly O

Titling committee

Anissa S, Pamela B, Donna M, Donna P, Ingrid E, Susan S, Judge S, Tara B.

Educational committee

Kelly O, Susan S, Judge S, Donna M, Karla B, Donna P.

Bylaw committee

Judge S, Susan S, Ingrid E, Karla B.

KRS committee

Donna M, Ingrid E, Jason S, Jody B, Karla B, Susan S, Judge S.

Store committee

Donna M, Ingrid E, Jody B, Karla B, Rose B, Tara B, Judge S, Susan S, Kelly O.

Fundraising committee

Jason S, Kelly O, Susan S, Judge S.

Westport committee

Susan S, Judge S, Ingrid E, Donna M, Karla B, Jody B, John A, Kelly O.

Old Business

Bylaws:

Bylaws revision still needs to be done.

Judge proposes email communication be used for editing in three stages. Board will make some suggested changes to bylaws, then email to general membership for suggested changes, changes will be presented and voted on at future meeting. Sue, Judge, Ingrid and Karla will work on proposed changes.

Sponsorship:

Fidogear sponsored \$300. And there was a miscommunication on how funds were to be spent. Issue has been worked out with Fidogear. Sponsorship will be worked out for next year.

Proposed velcro sponsor logos for club/race banners in case sponsor does not sponsor every year.

It was also suggested sponsor logos go on T-shirts, hoodies and bumper stickers, not racing bibs.

Logo's need to be on website and banners.

Have sponsorship committee work on tiers and present at next meeting.

Kelly Owen and Karla Boyle volunteered to join sponsorship committee.

Ocean Trip:

Reports were good. Westport wants us back!!

Everyone seemed to be happy with the gift bags.

Poop bags were sponsored.

Hotel guests enjoyed easy access to get their dogs outside.

Some felt it was too busy with all the events. It was suggested to schedule less next year and add another day. Keep the bingo and keep working with Mike.

It was also suggested to seek a different dinner venue, maybe Blue Buoy.

Parade needs to be more organized. Having a truck with our banners lead. Need to practice keeping dogs in sync. Organized team leaders for bike and for scooter. Canicross may need to come in early or later so not to leave behind.

Local businesses did not have correct information on our parade or meet the musher. The local grocery store was giving info out about our events. Need to include them in our trip planning for next year. Possible flyer handouts.

Suggested using money from Westport toward something else instead of dog park. Westport may have their permanent dog park up and running by then anyways.

Large maps would be helpful. The local grocery store could hand out. The board, Kelly O, John A, Karla B, and Westport committee will work on this.

New Business

KRS Series 1st year review

Over all went very well. IESDA was really happy to have us bring 28 mushers.

Race Season 2016-2017:

Proposed dates pending NWSDA schedule.

Race dates and pointed classes will be discussed at Summer Meeting.

Possibility of additional race:

Parking is an issue at Dogtown Winter Derby. Possibility of breaking it up into two weekends. Big teams one weekend, small teams another??

Race committee needs to work on race rules.

Do not feel Priest Lake would bring a high enough attendance.

Drag Races:

Grass Drag Race is not pointed yet. Will have to be a different pointing system. Need race rules.

Judge S has talk with the city for use of Steilacoom Park as a location for the grass drags. Will not cost the club anything unless we want a sanican brought in on the mushers parking side. Public restrooms are available across the field. Benches are available and can be moved wherever we need them. Would be a small cost for race supplies

Grass drags proposed date Nov 19th

Adding a 3 dog class to our races:

Would have to offer bike and scooter. Races would go from 6 classes to 8. Would make the race day longer.

IESDA might be open to adding a 3 dog class

Would there be enough interest to reach the required 3 teams for pointing. Race rules need to be made.

Race committee will need to work on race rules and course.

Race Budget:

Budget was over shot this year.

Proposed to add drag race to race budget.

Proposed items to add to race budget. Race bibs, 1 more set of banners, sanicans, KRS bumper stickers, paint for drags.

Mushing 101 & 102 dates:

101 July 23rd

102 July 30th

102 Aug 27th

People are already signed up. Proposed power-point presentation. Need projector. Proposed video.

Cafepress store:

Problems with print on tees. Some print styles seem better than others. Donna Peck will get together with Rose to find a resolution.

Mt Bike Clinic:

Proposed Mt Bike skills clinic with Mikki

K9 Trail Dog Title Patches:

Donna Peck is working with 5 Sibs Sewing on getting new patch with our current logo. Project was slowed down due to issues on finding orange fabric. That has been resolved and Donna should have an example by our next meeting.

Meeting dates:

Summer meeting & K9 Birthday July 16th location in Covington.

Fall Meeting Sept 24th possible hike to Ice Caves, to be determined

Official Runs:

Do members wish to continue with the \$5/5 points system and the prizes that are purchased through these funds?

Concerns were brought to light of points not being awarded correctly.

Needs a better check system? Proposed % system be applied to prizes and top 3 highest at the end of year.

Donna Morton made a motion to keep the point system and the \$5 fee for K9 official runs as an option for those who want to participate but not required to run.

Karla Boyle seconded it.

Motion carried

Guidelines and committee will need to be formed

Clean Up Day:

Susan S proposed community service ribbons be awarded to those who participate in trail clean up. Also proposed to add perpetual memorial plaque for sportsmanship and volunteer.

It was proposed to proceed with ribbon die purchase for these ribbons.

Kelly O made a motion to proceed with ribbon die.

Jody second it

Motion carried

Information handouts:

At certain events we have needed handout on basic information about our club. Karla suggested we go through vista-prints for informational handouts and possible business cards. It was suggested business cards not have personal contact info, only club website and Facebook page.

Karla B and Donna P volunteered to work on this and joined the "educational committee" previously named Mushing 101/102.

Meeting adjourned at 3:00 pm.