# TCVESSA Meeting Minutes OCTOBER 30,2025

Call to Order: 7:34 PM

#### **Roll Call:**

**Present:** Mary Dahl, Liz Pike, Gretta Thorson, Diane Slais, Heather Rand, Kathy Patregnani, Courtney Hansen, Carmen Laing, Cyndi Myhre, Alice

Musburger, Tekla Viker, Bonnie Maffitt, and Jean Dockendorf.

Absent: Michelle Berge

# **Reading of Minutes of September Meeting:**

First Motion to Approve: Diane Slais Second Motion to Approve: Tekla Viker Motion Carried

# OFFICERS REPORTS

**President:** No Report.

Vice-President: No Report.

**Membership Chair Report:** Mary Dahl reported that she received two new applications from Lucine Kayee and Pam Postma. These two applications had their first reading at this meeting.

#### **Treasurer:**

Gretta will investigate offline the incorrect billing information regarding the Hover account.

Beginning Balance (9/12/2025)		\$3349.36
Income		\$3138.49
(Donations, Raffle, Big Frog, October Specialty,		
Dues)		
Expenses		<\$3194.51>
Business Expenses - Liability Insurance, Website	<\$604.60>	
Event Expense - October Specialty, October Agility	<\$2589.91>	
Trial, Banquet Deposit		
Ending Balance (10/30/2025)		\$3293.34

First Motion to Approve: Kathy Patregnani Second Motion to Approve: Diane Slais

**Motion Carried** 

Secretary: No Report.

# **COMMITTEE REPORTS** – No Report.

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

#### October 2025 Specialty Recap

The group reviewed feedback from the October Specialty held in Hutchinson, which was overwhelmingly positive. The group agreed to have Cyndi Myhre send out a survey to gather feedback from specialty participants.

# **October Agility Trial**

Kathy Patregnani informed the group that she had received a check from Mike Teh for \$2,174.65 related to the October Agility Trails. Kathy also requested funds for approximately \$500 worth of ribbons.

#### **VOX Editor**

Alice proposed a new approach for the Vox Editor role, suggesting a shared position among multiple people to alleviate workload. Alice and Carmen will work together to put a job description for this position.

### **Fall Meeting**

The Fall meeting will be held on November 30<sup>th</sup> at Barkin and Bond in Woodbury, MN from 11AM to 2PM. Members decided to organize demonstrations on various dog activities including scent work, which Diane volunteered to lead.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

# **2026 TCVESSA Specialty**

Cyndi reported plans for the 2026 specialty show, focusing on types of specialty for each day, judges' selection, and building selection. The group agreed to offer Tom Alexander as the judge for concurrent event on Friday. Cyndi will put out a list of hired judges for membership feedback for the other days. The group also explored options for managing cost of the Century building, which increased to \$780/per day. The group also discussed space allocation for the show in the future, along with the cost savings of holding this specialty at a cluster rather than a stand-alone event. Courtney and Kathy expressed concern about the lack of performance events, i.e. Obedience and Rally. Cyndi stated Hutchinson is working to negotiate space for performance events. More info to come as it comes available.

• The board decided to move forward with the planning of the 2026 specialty show with the Crow River cluster with Cyndi Myhre, Show Chair & Michelle Berge co-chair with no objections.

 The board decided to have Cyndi Myhre send out a survey to the membership regarding the 2026 specialty judges.

#### **Awards Dinner Costs/Awards**

The board discussed banquet costs, volunteer comp cards use. The board will discuss the cost at the next meeting. The board gave Alice permission to change a form wording from "certificate" to "your dog will be recognized". They also discussed the need to find a volunteer to create awards, with Bonnie offering to help coordinate with Jill Friars.

• Next Meeting Date: November 30, 2025, at 7:30 PM

ADJOURNMENT: Adjourned: 9:23PM

# **Next steps**

- Gretta: Talk to Cindy offline about the October specialty accounting and Beret discrepancies
- Gretta: Talk to Jean offline about the Hover account billing issue and call them tomorrow
- Kathy: Order ribbons for upcoming agility trials
- Cindy: Send out a poll to specialty attendees for feedback
- Cindy: Put out a poll to membership listing hired judges and requesting selection for Thursday/Friday designated specialties and Saturday /Sunday supported shows
- Cindy: Inform Michelle about the decision to secure the Century building for Thursday and Friday, with grooming included, and willingness to share costs with other clubs
- Diane: Put together scent work hides for the fall meeting demonstration
- Kathy and Diane and Courtney: Coordinate offline about scent work and fetch demonstrations for the fall meeting
- Gretta: Put together a flyer for the November 30th fall meeting to email out and post on Facebook
- Carmen: Put together a description of what the Vox editor role entails
- Alice and Carmen: Work together on creating a job description for the Vox editor position that can be a shared role
- Bonnie: Talk to Jill Friars about potentially helping with awards/certificates
- Alice: Change the awards form wording from "certificate" to "your dog will be recognized
- Courtney: Send reminder email to Cindy about putting her on the November 20th meeting agenda for 2025/2026 specialty updates
- Mary: Send meeting invitation for November 20th board meeting to all members