

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of
The Best Friends Dog Club of Sun City
November 18, 2008

The monthly meeting of the Best Friends Dog Club was held on November 1, 2008, in Social Room #1 at Lakeview Recreation Center. Board Members present were: President Jean Buck, VP Skelli Dedmond, Secretary Pat Estok, Members-At-Large Juanita Braemer & Diana Barnum. Absent was Treasurer Shari Bibler.

The meeting was called to order by President Jean Buck at 9:30 AM. There were 26 members and 2 guests present.

Jean informed the members of Sam & Judy Baldwin's resignations as Co-Presidents due to Sam's stroke. We hope they will be able to resume their Dog Club Activities very soon.

Minutes: The minutes from the October 21, 2008, meeting were approved as read.

Nominating Committee: Diana Barnam presented the following slate of officers for 2009:

Returning Board Members:

Vice President: Jean Buck who will serve as Training Director

Secretary: Pat Estok

Member At Large: Juanita Braemer

New Board Members:

President: Skelli Deadmon

Treasurer: Barbara Siddell

Member At Large: Linda Smith

There were no nominations from the floor. The slate was unanimously accepted.

Jean asked for a volunteer to take over as program chair. Most of the programs are already planned for 2009. There were no volunteers at this time.

Christmas Party: The Christmas Party will be at Sun City Country Club, Tuesday, December 16th at 11:30 AM. Ada Jane Cowper has the sign up sheet. We will have two selections and will be in the private room overlooking the golf course. Bring a \$10. doggie gift for the exchange and label it with the appropriate size of the dog.

Pet Vials: Ada Jane passed out pet vials and displayed copper studded collars for dogs with joint problems. If anyone is interested in a collar they should contact Ada Jane.

Training: Skelli said that Bruce Grounds was doing well after his fall and hospital stay. She thanked all for their thoughts, prayers, and support. We have 64 teams registered in classes this fall with Betty Marotti and Rick Manley.

Skelli reported that our new arena at Fairway is included in Phase I and will hopefully be completed by October 2009. There will be bleachers for spectators. Our requests for a misting system for summer training, patio heaters for winter training, and shade cover for the arena were turned down.

Jean stated that we are striving for AKC standard equipment for our new arena.

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Fund Raising: Christina Boerwinkle said the Swap Meet at Sun Dial on November 7th was very successful with a profit of \$91.00. She thanked the many volunteers for their help and donations and especially Marianna Van Dijk.

Events: Jean asked for a show of hands for interest in attending the dog competition at West World in _____. She will check into the cost and arrangements and let us know the cost.

The meeting adjourned at 9:55. Dr. Lorna Lanman gave a presentation about the disaster rescue teams she has been working with during hurricanes and fires.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pat Estok, Secretary

Dr. Lanman suggested that the Club might want to contact the Veterinary Clinics between Peoria and Sun City West/Grand to see if they would like to contribute toward the purchase of misters/patio heaters/shade cover for our new arena.