



# Bryan College Station Retriever Club

## Minutes

August 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Fuddruckers, College Station, Texas

- 1) **Members Present** – Kelly Curry, Tony Gilbert, Dave Brannon, Charles & Sherry Payne, David & Vicki Christianson, Mike & Beverly Farris, Mike Jones, Howard & Susan Williams, Landon Evans, Mark Watson, J Cody Whitten, Kyle Chism, Allison Sutton, Victoria Mas (congratulations!), Richard & Tina Frankel, Craig & Maureen Steiner, John Sivinski, Shawn Kelso and Kevin McGinnis
- 2) **Visitors Present** – Elizabeth Robison, Alex Pruett, Richard Ledford, Mike & Jan Connally, Ian Gerke, David Pendleton
- 3) **President's Report** – Beverly Farris
  - a) Member dog passes/accomplishments
  - b) Snake Avoidance Clinic August 25<sup>th</sup>, Contact Chris Krause of Oak Creek Retrievers
- 4) **Secretary's Report** – Kelly Curry
  - a) Approval of Minutes – July 2019 *Moved to accept Charles Payne/Mike Farris, approved.*
    - i) The July DRAFT Minutes were distributed prior to the meeting via the listserver, this will be a recurring part of the workflow.
  - b) Update on dues collections – Kelly reported on the process and while a few people had relocated or advised they didn't have a time commitment right now; most everyone had paid their dues. Kelly would reach out immediately to the last few.
  - c) A discussion followed the above item about two things: a handout by Kevin McGinnis suggestion a schedule to communicate about the dues next year and then there was some discussion about members who don't participate in dues. Beverly suggested the Board take up this conversation in the Board Meeting next month.
  - d) 2019 Training site tags available
- 5) **Treasurer's Report** – Kevin McGinnis
  - a) Financial Report - *Moved to accept Charles Payne/Mike Farris, approved.*
  - b) Contract signing with Mr. Sebesta – Completed.
- 6) **Committee Reports**
  - a) Master National / Master Amateur Updates – Dave Christianson, Representative
    - i) Master Amateur Update(s) – We received a nice thank you from the organization and appreciation for our ad in their book this year. Thanks again to Allison Sutton for the design work.
    - ii) Master National Update(s) – David Christianson, mentioned the date/location and wished the best of luck for those attending this year from the club.
    - iii) Report from Judges Seminar on July 20<sup>th</sup>: Went well, everyone enjoyed it. 31 total participants, cost of event worked out well.
    - iv) David Christianson led a conversation about asking AKC about us sponsoring a two-day Advanced AKC Seminar in the Spring possibly. He will check into the \$1000 sponsorship as well. You must have taken the basic Judges Seminar first. Mark Watson offered his indoor facility (that is air conditioned) as a site for the program.
- 7) **AKC Fall Hunt Test** – Kevin McGinnis, Hunt Test Chairman
  - a) Hunt Test Update Kevin McGinnis reports grounds are approved as is the date from AKC and the test is posted online at Entry Express. David Christianson advised all Judge selections are ready for recommendation already!

- b) Volunteer assignments Kevin McGinnis reviewed the current assignments and will be developing Stakes Marshal etc at the next meeting. If anyone is interested please express your interest directly to him. Applicant for membership, Elizabeth Robison expressed interest in the Equipment management role as our regularly responsible member Rob Somers will be Judging at the upcoming test.
- c) Select a date for a workday to prepare for Fall Hunt Test (TBA)

#### **8) Old Business**

- a) Summer Training Days – Charles Payne
  - i) Report on July activities – Excessive heat is limiting the training opportunities.
  - ii) There are some local ad hoc activities going on early on the weekends and late on weekdays for limited time frames. Feel free to use listserver/social media to express interest or notify others
  - iii) Our technical water lease at Michele McHale’s (aka Walnut Hill) was reported as having some lower water and much of the field has heavy cover. Members report that Michele is planning to cut it very soon.
- b) Follow up on Equipment Use Safety measures
  - i) Boom-Gun Holders for trailer and for field use – no discussion
  - ii) Head of Guns position development – The Committee positions are being reworked and this role be addressed in it.
  - iii) Safe Operation Checklist – Tony Lyle received some input already to work on this item. Please send him any thoughts or suggestions.
  - iv) There was also a discussion about some time of document creation to sign off that volunteers would agree they have been trained and release of liability or hold harmless. Kelly Curry will contact our member, and attorney, Marion Kruse about general guidance.
- c) Hunt Test Committee Guideline Update Process – David Christianson reviewed all the positions other than the Hunt Test Chairman and Secretary that we discussed last month. This is a work in progress, David will circulate the current draft for input immediately.

#### **9) New Business**

- a) Additional Boom-Gun acquisition – Dave Brannon reports he has past on the information for purchase. Kevin McGinnis to execute purchase of 6 immediately.
- b) First Aid Kit and Self Care products acquisition – Kelly Curry to pass on product selection to Kevin McGinnis for purchased immediately.

#### **10) Presentation of New Members and Applications for Membership**

- a) New member(s) presented – Kelly Curry advised he has Mike and Jan Connolly to present for vote. Unanimous approval.
- b) Applications for membership – Kelly Curry advised he has applications from Richard Ledford, an individual, of Cypress. David and Dana Pendleton, a family, from College Station, Elizabeth Robison, an individual, from Bryan, Alex Pruett, an individual, from Bryan, and Ian Gerke, an individual from Bryan.

#### **11) Door Prizes – Beverly Farris presented a door prize.**

#### **12) Next Meeting**

- a) September 17<sup>th</sup> at Fuddruckers in College Station – Beverly Farris
- b) Speaker for Texas Park and Wildlife (on hold) – Kelly Curry

#### **13) Adjourn - Moved to accept Charles Payne/Kyle Chism, approved.**