

**Greater Twin Cities Golden Retriever Club
December 3, 2016
General Minutes**

President Karen Ander called the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m. at Helping Paws in Hopkins. She thanked Laurie and Rob Hanson for stepping up to arrange the holiday party.

Secretary:

The minutes were approved as posted on the website.

Treasurer:

Checking:	\$12,164.93
Outstanding	416.00
Savings:	10,030.10
CD:	27,404.89
Total:	49,183.92

Outstanding checks:

Agility:	\$ 66.00
Speaker:	\$ 50.00
Facility rental:	\$150.00
GRCA 2017	\$150.00

Conformation:

Gretchen Olson reported that the club needs someone to drive the judge from the hotel to the specialty show on January 6, 2017, and to dinner at the Woodfire Grille. The premium is posted. She said the club welcomes judge suggestions for the August specialty. Anyone with suggestions can send an email to Jane Doctor or Gretchen.

Laurie Hanson contacted Alyssa Taylor's mom about special stained glass trophies to celebrate the club's 50th anniversary. She said the club will do bags for all exhibitors and that she is trying to get coupons to put in bags. Alyssa Wold said she would try to get Nutrasource samples. One specialty in January.

While there are two specialties at the January Land o' Lakes Kennel Club show, there will be only one specialty in August at the St. Croix Kennel Club show because the heat often is oppressive.

Field:

Melissa Driggers said she is working on putting together a field seminar in May, 2017.

Performance:

Agility: Bonnie Oian reported that January's agility trial is set. Entries close on the December 14, and the draw is on the December 15. All Golden Retrievers entering before the draw are guaranteed to get in. The club needs many volunteers.

Obedience: Bonnie said the club's obedience trial will be on March 25 and 26 at Total Recall in Hugo. The judges are set and the AKC has approved the trial. Ed Pfeifer is the chair. The club needs volunteers, including for hospitality.

Unfinished business:

Puppy referral:

Karen Ander said the club decided that it will have multiple puppy referral people. Their names will be listed on the website. Referral people will need to serve for at least a minimum of one year. Breeders will not be on the website. Breeder's must provide parent dogs' clearances, and they must be on verifiable on the website. There will be no charge for referral. Alyssa Wold, Dr. Nancy Vetscher, and Paula Ellis have volunteered. They will need to verify clearances with breeders wanting to list litters, and breeders must agree to follow the GRCA Code of Ethics. Karen said the club will try it out for a year and will evaluate the process after that.

50th Anniversary:

There is nothing more to report.

Michelle Meyers working to do a fun match for the club.

Banquet:

The banquet will be in March 11, 2017, at Ol' Mexico in Roseville. There will be a posting on the website about traveling trophies and certificate forms soon.

Painting party:

The club will have a painting party from from 12:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. on March 18, 2017, at Helping Paws. Must pay by January 12 or will lose your spot. Minimum of 18 people. Maximum of 15. Checks to Helping Paws. Judy Super send in photo of your dog. Tell you how to do things. A lot of help.

Health Clinic: May 6, 2017, for

Shine On is doing a raffle right now. \$5/ticket. Six prizes. 5 for \$20. Have to hurry.

Vote in Jessica Anlauf as new member. Bonnie Swanson here.

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