WESTERN REGION SCHUTZHUND VERBAND, DVG, INC.

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Executive Board Meeting Minutes Friday, October 20, 2006

I. Call to order

Ray Reid, President called to order the Executive Board meeting of the Western Region Schutzhund Verband, DVG, Inc. at 2:10 PM on Friday, October 20, 2006, at the El Sarape Mexican Restaurant in Tumwater, Washington

II. Executive Board Roll Call

Present: Ray Reid, John Hellman, Ann Thomas, JoAnne Rowles & Robert "Mac" McClellan.

III. Approval of Minutes from last meeting 10/21/05

Mac McClellan moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting; John Hellman seconded. A vote was taken with unanimous approval. The motion carried.

IV. Report of the President - Ray Reid

Awards -Ray reported that some awards have been delayed and will not be available for presentation at the Western KG Regionals. Those delayed are Janice Reid – 25 year pin, Ryan Reid – 5 year honor pin, Britt Reed – 5 year honor pin. Other pins and awards will be presented at the judge's dinner Saturday. Ann Thomas will receive a pin but the Ehrenurkunde certificate needs to be replaced.

Upcoming Elections – Ray stated that all current board members will seek re-election except for John Hellman. Ray expressed his appreciation for John's many years of service to the Western KG. Ann thanked John for mentoring her.

Translation of Judges' Book – It has been a year since the Western Region requested a translation of the Judges' book for reprint on the web site. Ray has not been notified as of this date in regards to a translation being finished, so Ray is looking for another individual to help do the translation.

Judge Sharing - Ray is exploring the possibility of sharing judges from Germany. Judges would be brought in and then shared by three clubs throughout the region. This would give us more access to what is happening in Germany.

V. Report of the Vice President – John Hellman

No Report

VI. <u>Secretary Report</u> – JoAnne Rowles No Report

VII. <u>Treasurer's Report</u> – Ann Thomas

Dues Assessment - Ann reported that the WKG is losing \$5 per member as the LV dues assessment has taken effect. The fund realized from the assessment will be

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used to give \$5,000 to the club hosting nationals. The WKG has opted not to add \$5 to members as we already had an assessment for the KG nationals that assessment will now go to the LV national fund. Ann said she had received thank you's, from Gottfried Dildei and Joanne Fleming for financial support for representing the LV at DM Championship in Germany. Ray also received a thank you from Sue Nesbitt for financial support for representing the LV in the BSP Championship.

VIII. OFS Report - Robert "Mac" McClellan

Helper certification - Mac reported that it will be more difficult to become a certified helper. Helpers will have to "bring" proper helper work to the seminar and must be able to "test" a dog. Helpers who do not demonstrate good helper work will be down graded. This will raise the level of helper work in the US. Mac reported there are 2 new Level 3's, Patrick Gildea (Summit) and Henry Ly (Select). Henry will need help.

There will be a helpers' seminar in Las Vegas NV – January '07 and then a Helper Certification and Seminar in Fontana, CA later in the month.

There was discussion about helper evaluation forms. Ray said there is a need for more details – how are catches? Drives?

IX. New Business

There was some discussion concerning a seminar for Training Directors. Some directors do not know their jobs. Training Directors should call Ray or Mac for help. Ray asked Mac how many clubs have certified Training Directors and the information was provided.

Ann said 6 new club packets were sent resulting in 1 new club – Greater Seattle Schutzhund Club. Ray asked for a telephone # so he can follow up.

John inquired if each club had been contacted by phone to check on their status and how they are doing. Ray acknowledged it was a good idea.

X. Old Business

There was no "Old Business".

XI. Adjournment

Mac moved the meeting be adjourned. John seconded. The motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 3:35 PM PDT.

Respectfully submitted,

JoAnne Rowles WKG Secretary