



WESTERN REGION SCHUTZHUND VERBAND, DVG, INC. Member LV/DVG America - DVG - dhv - VDH - FCI

Western Region DVG Executive Board Meeting Conference Call, February 8, 2005 at 7 PM, PST, 8 PM, MST

<u>Call to Order:</u> John Hellman, President called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM.

Executive Board Roll Call:

John Hellman, President, Ann Thomas, Vice President, Cheryl Weaver, Secretary, Mildred Muller, Treasurer and Lester Flores, OFS were present.

Update on the Western Region Election Ballots:

Cheryl reported to-date receiving 139 envelopes, some envelopes have more than one ballot in them. Some envelopes may have the whole clubs' individual ballots. There is no way to know until all the envelopes are opened on March 2, 2005 for counting.

Host Club for 2005 Western Regional Competition:

Two proposals were received by the Executive Board for consideration. Evergreen Working Dog Club in Tacoma, Washington, and Olympus Schutzhund Club of Salt Lake in Salt Lake City, Utah. After discussion of each club's proposal, a vote was taken, and Olympus Schutzhund Club of Salt Lake was chosen to host the 2005 Western Regional Competition. Evergreen Working Dog Club will be encouraged to submit a proposal for the 2006 Western Regional Competition. The board would like to thank each club for their interest in hosting the Regionals.

Western Regions National Savings Account Cap to Host Clubs:

John updated board members on the original intent of the nationals fund, saying the original amount projected for the host club each four years was approximately \$7,000. Mildred Muller, treasurer stated \$350 has to remain in the account to keep the account open. John stated membership has been on the decline and he would like to see some funds retained in the account besides the \$350. If the amount donated to the host club is capped at \$7,000, the remaining balance can be used in four years, if funds are short. Les Flores wanted all the funds minus the \$350 disbursed to the host club. After a lengthy discussion, it was voted on with 4 votes to cap the amount at \$7,000, and 1 vote to not cap the funds. Recommendation passed.

Proposal to help fund formal training seminars for regional clubs:

Mildred reported that the yearly checking account at its highest is around \$10,000 and at the lowest, \$5,400. Currently, the Western Region funds the following:

1. Three (3) helper seminars per year - \$500 each for airfare plus \$60 day fee x 6 days a year

Plus two (2) Regional LV Certifications (if required) - \$500 each for airfare (Les not being the WKG OFS next year will possibility have to visit several WKG locations to do helper certifications.

- 2. Three (3) New Club Seminars (how to do paperwork, etc) \$500 each for airfare
- 3. Two (2) helpers to Regionals \$300 each for airfare





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- 4. Western Region Donation to host club for LV/DVG Nationals \$500 includes High Scoring VPG III from the Western Region KG Trophy.
- 5. Western Region Donation to the Western Regionals VPG III winner, if they attend the subsequent LV/DVG Nationals-----\$300.
- 6. Western Region Donation for any Western Region Member that wins the LV/DVG Nationals and goes to Germany to participate in the DM \$300
- 7. Western Region Donation to clubs that host the annual Western Regionals. \$700

The total for all the above Western Region Funded Activities could be approximately \$6,500 a year. If the Region were to fund formal training seminars, the treasury would be to depleted to cover other ongoing operational expenses. After some discussion, the Board voted unanimously not to fund the formal training seminars.

Determine action for disseminating election results:

John Hellman restated that the results of the election shall be posted on the Western Region Yahoo Email Group site and a letter with the results shall be mailed to each club President in the region.

End of term Executive Officers Conference Call:

John proposed having one more conference call after the election to include all the newly elected board members, to welcome them aboard. All board members agreed.

President's end of term reports:

John reported he is completing his end of the year report to include Mildred's financial report. Also, he is updating the Regionals Guidelines, submitting several award forms and reminding the Membership to submit any agenda items to him for the 2005 DVG America annual membership meeting in May 2005.

<u>Adjournment:</u> The meeting was adjourned at 7:46 PM, PST, 8:46 PM, MST

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Thomas, Vice-President Western Region KG