



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

Western Region DVG Executive Board Meeting  
Conference Call November 28, 2004 at 7 PM, PST, 8 PM, MST

Call to Order:

John Hellman, President called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM.

Executive Board Roll Call:

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

Mildred Muller, Treasurer had a busy signal and could not be reached for the call.

2005/2006 WKG Officers Election:

John wants Mildred Muller to send an updated copy of individual WKG membership roster to Cheryl Weaver by December 10, 2004. I will have Mildred also copy all the Executive Board Members so they can verify the list. The list will then become the official membership mailing list for election ballots. All club nomination slates are to be postmarked by December 20, 2004, and sent to Cheryl Weaver.

Cheryl will put together a sample ballot of all nominees and send it to the Executive Board only. After Board members have reviewed the sample ballot, each will notify Cheryl that they approve the format and certify it for distribution.

WKG Bylaws state that a ballot is to be sent to every eligible voting member of the Western Region. The final ballot has to be approved by the Executive Board, and will be done by email. Cheryl will have to mail approximately 320 ballots by January 20, 2005.

A committee has to be assigned to count and certify the completed ballots that are received by February 20, 2005. After some discussion, Cheryl Weaver was chosen since she is not on the ballot, and she can choose two (2) members of her club to help count and certify the results. A report of the results with totals for each person and position will be sent to the Executive Board for certification.

There was discussion regarding the posting of election results. Ann Thomas suggested sending directions on each ballot on how to join the yahoo groups email list, also stating that election results will be posted on the email site by March 5, 2005. In addition to the email notification, John will send each club President a letter with the same election results.

Western Region Annual Competition Requests:

Two (2) clubs have expressed interest in hosting the 2005 Western Region Competition. Any other requests must be in by January 15, 2005. The Executive Board will review each request and decide by February 1, 2005 who host next years Regionals. The club selection will be posted on the WKG email site.

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President's End of the Year Report:

John plans to put out an end of the year report to the Yahoo Groups Email List and snail mail to all club Presidents. The report will include:

- \* Current Financial Position of the Region as of December 31, 2004
- \* Established Western Region Funded Activities/Events for the benefit of Member Clubs:
  1. Three (3) helper seminars per year - \$500 each for airfare  
  
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
  4. Western Region Donation to host club for LV/DVG Nationals - \$350 includes - High Scoring VPG III from the Western Region KG Trophy.  
  
John proposed increasing the donation to \$500. After discussions, all present Board members agreed.
  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. - \$625  
  
John proposed increasing the donation to the club hosting the Western Regional Competition to \$700. Following discussions, all Board members agreed.
  8. A request was made at the Western Regional Annual Membership meeting this past October, to fund formal club seminars utilizing talented trainers from around the country. Situation being that smaller clubs can not afford to bring in outside training personal. Board members liked the recommendation, however, further discussions are required to review this programs budgetary impact and formal structure of the proposed program. Board action is ongoing.

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John asked board members for additional items that should be covered in the year-end report. Board members thought John had covered everything. No additional items will be added to the report.

Final Item: John will update the guidelines for the Western Regionals. Changes of some paragraphs are required regarding dress code, clarification of trophies to be awarded and the size of tracking articles. John will get together with Ann to make the recommended changes and submit the revised document for Board approval.

In closing, John commended Kern County T.O.P. Dog Club for the good job on the 2005 DVG America Nationals website. John said tell Britt Reed what a nice job she did.

Adjourned at 7:44 PM, PST, 8:44 PM, MST

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Thomas, Vice-President  
Western Region KG

\*\*\*During discussions between John and Mildred on December 1, 2004, the Board minutes were reviewed and Mildred agreed with all comments.

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