



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

Western Region DVG Executive Board
Informal Planning Meeting in Bakersfield, California
May 5, 2005, 10:30 AM, PST

Call to Order:

Ray Reid called the meeting to order at 10:35 am.

Executive Board Roll Call:

Ray Reid, President, Ann Thomas, Secretary and Mildred Muller, Treasurer were present.

Unable to attend: John Hellman, Vice President, and Robert "Mac" McClellan, OFS.

Financial Report as of April 30, 2005:

Checking account:	\$8,167.01	*****
Money Market:	5,631.35	
National Savings:	952.44	

Total Members: 345

***** \$300.00 to be paid to winner of the Schutzhund 3's in the 2004 Western Regional if they compete in the 2005 Nationals.

WKG Budget Item:

Ray would like a line item in our budget for the President's travel expense to the LV/DVG Nationals. We currently have \$500 as the amount. Ray would like the wording to say WKG will pay expenses up to \$500. He would also like the wording for all budget items to say WKG will pay up to (the \$ amount) in expenses. To get reimbursement an itemized expense report and copies of all receipts must be submitted to the WKG Treasurer.

We need to reimburse mileage based upon the current IRS code, which is currently 36.5 cents per mile.

National and Regional Financial Reports:

A financial report for the 2005 Nationals has to go to Henry Sowders, National Treasurer. Ray Reid and Mildred Muller would also like a copy of the report. Ann Thomas said she would send copies.

A financial report for the 2005 WKG Regionals host club should be sent to the

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President and Treasurer.

New Club Policy:

The new club policy currently says:

Training will be accomplished by the Western Region OFS, or if unavailable, an Executive Board approved substitute.

In the past, the OFS did the majority of the new club training. The OFS could be better utilized doing the helper seminars. After some discussion, persons should be assigned in different parts of the region to do the new club training. The paperwork is where most clubs have a problem. A booklet should be developed with all the forms clubs need to complete for trials and membership. The judge gets to a trial and the paperwork is not ready, and the annual membership process is a nightmare for the treasurer. This could be done for new and old clubs alike. They all seem to need help in one or both areas.

Following are some suggestions on who could take each area of our region:

Southern - Ann Thomas -	California, Arizona and Nevada
Northern - Mildred Muller -	Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Alaska and Montana
Eastern - Carole Patterson -	Utah, Colorado, New Mexico and Wyoming
Canada - Carolyn Herle -	British Columbia and Alberta

Clubs would pay mileage, or air fare whichever is cheaper, + 1 night hotel and meals.

Western Region Website:

Britt Reed has volunteered to develop a website for the Western Region. She would design and get the site up and running, then the region would take over the updating and maintaining of the site. She uses Macromedia software. Ray Reid would like the site to be able to utilize Front Page to make changes just like most hosting companies allow. Once the site is up, the President and Secretary would maintain the site.

National's website:

During discussion, the Western Region Board would like to see the Training Director and President handbooks added to the national website. That way all members have access to the information without having to pay \$15 for each book.

Amend 2/8/05 Conference Call Minutes:

Amend the wording to the following sentence to say up to \$300 for certification airfare.

Plus two (2) Regional LV Certifications (if,required) - Up to \$300.00 for airfare. Les not being the WKG OFS next year will possibility have to visit several WKG locations to do helper certifications

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Western Region Executive Board Errors and Omission Insurance:

Mildred Muller told about a board member from another club getting sued and having to pay \$10,000. Ann Thomas had contacted Sportsman Insurance for the application and the estimated cost averaged about \$800 a year. Ann gave the application to Ray Reid and he will look into this type of insurance for the board.

Create a new Yahoo Groups:

There have been numerous members of the Western Region that can not get approved for the current Western Region DVG yahoo email group. Requests to the list owner are not being responded to in a timely fashion. Jan Vos, list owner, may be too busy to maintain this site. She could turn it over to someone else with the time to keep it up to date. Or, we could create a new site the board can update.

Adjournment 12:35 pm, PST

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Thomas
WKG Secretary

The minutes were emailed to all WKG Officers for review and comment. The President asked for a motion to approve the minutes as submitted.

June 12, 2005

Ann Thomas made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Robert 'Mac' McClellan seconded the motion. The minutes are approved as submitted.

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