



Board Meeting Minutes

July 7th, 2026

Time: 6pm on Zoom

In Attendance: Cindy Patz, Amanda Fell, Robin Bowen, Susan Sherman, Morgan Brooks, Robin Burket, Camille Nasca, Kristin Sipus, Brian Parker

Officer Reports:

1. President – Christine opened the meeting for Robin Burket who is on puppy watch.
2. Secretary – Cindy Patz asked if there were any changes needed to the minutes as sent via email. A wording change was proposed so the minutes were approved as amended.
3. Treasurer – Robin Bowen presented the club financials and fielded questions regarding the financials as sent. It was noted that the Health Clinic P&L was similar to last year's even though we did not offer ortho. Still waiting on GRCA to cash the Eastern Regional check before we can discuss how much to put in a CD.

Committee Reports:

1. Field Training Days – July 12th at Persimmon Hollow Farm. There has been another \$5k donation that will fund road improvement and additional mulching.
2. Rally/Obedience Trials (August 7-9) – Susan Sherman reported that we had a judge withdraw due to puppy delivery. She is hoping the judge change will be confirmed soon. Rosettes are in production. Christine confirmed that Susan is receiving emails from the volunteer form on the website. Camille said that ODTG will be doing a deep clean on August 1st for our trials and club volunteers would be welcome. Entries are trickling in.
3. December Hunt Test (Dec 4-6) – Kristin Sipus reported that this year we have competition from other events in the area so to entice new people to attend, we want to offer an O/H qual., single master, double senior and double junior.

Old Business:

1. Volunteer Coordinator and Puppy Referral Coordinator – Robin Burket reported that Donna Crowell will be the Puppy Referral Coordinator and she is communicating with Ashley to assure a smooth transition. The Volunteer Coordinator will be Megan Cloudman. Robin Burket will send the volunteer spreadsheet to Megan.
2. Judge's Seminar (close-out)– Kristin Sipus reported that it was a good seminar, and we were close to breaking even. This is the best presenter that Kristin has seen in the past 4 judge's seminars she has attended. Bass Pro was a great venue.
3. AKC Patch Program – Robin Burket has been communicating with AKC to understand what we need to do to host a Patch event. The cost to the Club to host it is \$1 per patch, and we just need a coordinator and an extra table by the ring. It involves talking to kids about a dog show and it includes a scavenger hunt. It was suggested to host a Patch event at the Lakeland show.

4. Ocala Specialties – Julie Wangelin; Robin Bowen reported that we are waiting on 1 contract to come in then applications will be sent to AKC. Royal Canin has promised trophies.
5. Agility Fun Day at PJ Lacette's – we are still waiting to talk to PJ for a date in the Fall.

New Business:

1. New Member Applications – Christine McDaniel
 - a. Bennet Sheltra sponsored by Brian Parker
 - b. Kristie Gilford sponsored by Kristin Sipus
 - c. Trinity Sheltra sponsored by Bennet Sheltra (daughter so maybe a family membership)
 - d. Susan Holmes in St. Augustine, FL sponsored by Brian ParkerAll applications were approved unopposed.
2. Annual Donations – Robin Burket has notified the committee what money they have to work with but will reach back out to them to make sure they received the previous email.
3. Jacksonville Hunt Club Equipment Rental – Kristin Sipus said that Jacksonville would like to rent our equipment for a hunt test hosted at Brian Parker's. The board discussed what a fair equipment rental cost would be, and the board agreed that bartering holding blinds is more than fair.
4. Fast Cat Event – Robin Bowen talked to Ann Rowe who said she would Chair a Fast Cat Event at New Smyrna. We can use it (and events like it) as a fundraiser to help support specialties and property improvement and cancer research. A Scent Trial was also suggested as a fundraiser.
5. Lakeland Winter Haven supported entry – Patch program on the 20th and 21st. Will talk to Julie Wangelin about being the contact person for the supported entry.
6. Amanda will reach out to Morgan to get more details for Dock Diving in Brooksville, FL

Next Board Meeting will be 8/4/26 at 6:00pm on Zoom

Next General Meeting will be 7/14/26 at 7:00pm on Zoom

Robin Bowen made a motion to adjourn; Camille Nasca seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned at 7:16pm.