January 2, 2026 Membership (In-Person) Meeting Minutes & Holiday Party
Guest Speaker: None

Meeting Called to Order 6:30 PM EST

Roll Call:
BOD : Richella Veatch, Cindi Chilbert , JeanneLove Ferguson, Courtney Kleiman, Susan Varrasso , Sandy Morris, Mary Sonner, Bonnie Hornfisher (8 Total)

IN PERSON: Janet Hopson, David Miller, Gina Wauford, Carol Kract, Gwen Weaver, Joanne Ennis, Ruth Cardwell, Lisa Varrasso, Sharon Walker, Deb Doney, Kathy Ambrose, Linda Wolfenbarger, Russ Hornfisher, Cheryl Chipoco, Jeannette Saproni, MaryBeth Bryson, Sheridan Meier, Robert Veatch (18 total)

GUEST: Cindy Marrazzo, Kathy Karcher, Jan Weaver, Christpher Ennis, James Cardwell, William Bryson (6 Total)
Total Meeting Attendance: 32 Total

Approval of Meeting Minutes:
To Be sent out at a later date
Treasurer Report:
Still being complied due to end of the year

COMMITEES:
MEMBERSHIP:
Cindy Marrazzo 1st reading of application
Jeff Becklerhimer 2nd reading of application
Secret Ballot Dispensed; Jeff Becklehimer voted into membership
Membership Dues are due

Facilities:
Gravel: Parking area renovation and gravel work completed; Thank you to all who were involved in getting this completed. Major improvement to the facilities

TRAINING:
Classes start for the new year in January

CLUSTER & SHOW COMMITTEE:
- Cluste Committee will visit show site January 8
- Cluster Committee meeting January 14
- No Obed/Rally to be at the 2026 Cluster

- Reminder we still need the following Chair positions filled: Volunteer, Trophy, Hospitality

CLEANING: Nothing new to report

OBEDIENCE/RALLY:
Next ORKC OBD/RLY trial is March 28 & 29h at Ultimutt Knoxville

TRACKING:
Nothing to report

AGILTIY:
David Miller: Need volunteers to help with the Agility trial this weekend. Load in and Setup will be Thursday January 8th; need volunteers all weekend.
ORKC Agility trial will be January 7-11 at Roane State Agriculture Center in Harriman

SCENT WORK:
Susan Varrasso: ORKC trial will be May 2nd & 3rd will be Nov/Advanced in Containers, Interior, Exterior, Buried; Excellent/Masters will be Buried and Containers only; Detective? Handlers Discrimination?

OLD BUSINESS:
ORKC Membership application was not voted on in December at the Orlando meeting; will be voted on at March meeting

NEW BUSINESS:
None

Next meetings:
Board Meeting: January 29, 2026 Zoom Only 7PM
Membership Meeting: Thursday February 5, 2026 Zoom and in-person 7PM; Speakers TBA

BRAGS:
JeanneLove Ferguson:
Attended two back-to-back trials in NC over the holidays (Carolina Agility Club of the Piedmont and Irish Wolfhound Association of the Carolinas) earned 19/24 Qualified runs and earned the following titles: SWAC, SWAB, SWAI, SWAE, and his overall SWA titles.

Richella: White Collie earned her 2nd 5pt major and needs one more to earn her Grand Championship
Richella called for adjournment of the meeting portion at 6:40PM