

Olympic Bird Fancier's Meeting Minutes January 8, 2017

Meeting is called to order at 1:44 by president Sue Marshall.

Logo: Sue proposes that OBF update their logo. Our newest member, Brandon Butler, has come up with a new sample version. Do we even want a new logo? Yes. Over all, we like Brandon's idea, but it needs a few changes. Michelle has volunteered to play around with some new ideas for it and see what we like. We also have the signage with the feather image from Shutterstock that we purchased a few years ago. Sue will email Michelle the image files.

February Meeting: Our next meeting, February 12, will be at Jodie's store, Kiko's Toy Chest, in Tacoma. Dr. McLaughlin from The Center for Bird and Exotic Animal Medicine will be doing a presentation for us. Jodie is hoping to entice her customers to come to our meeting there. Club members will get in touch closer to the date to determine car pools. We will meet at the Purdy park and ride.

Website: Todd is in the process of updating the OBF website. He is modeling it after Facebook; it will have the same sort of set up. It has a 'front' page for non-members and a back page for current members (he will work with Pam C. on membership so that it will be kept current). There are forums in both parts of the page. He needs people to review it and let him know how they like it and if there are any glitches. Todd would like to see a member or two write articles to put on the website. Any articles would of course have to be reviewed by the club for accuracy. Sue would like a 'resources' page for emergencies. We had one on the old website. Sue has posted an article on avian blood work and what it all means. We can also link videos to the new website. We have an official YouTube channel that we will link to it. We also need a list of avian vets in the area and reviews about them. Each member has been registered by Todd on the website. Passwords should have been emailed out to us, so if you haven't gotten one, go through the 'forgot password' link.

New Vet: There is a new vet in Silverdale. She is not avian certified, but specializes in birds and cats. Her name is Sharla Anson. She is at the VCA Central Kitsap Animal Hospital on Bucklin Hill Rd in Silverdale.

Committees: Brenda would like to see the club be more organized with our events. She proposes that we set up committees for each event. Such as the fair. We need a schedule of when people should show up and who is in-charge of each aspect, such as set up, decorations, etc.

Northwest Bird Expo: The club donated money to the Gilded Feather Foundation, who is putting on the Northwest Bird Expo. Brandon, the founder of the Gilded Feather, would like to share the 'lime light' with the club. It is noted that Brandon is very appreciative and wants to get our club's name out. He likes what we do. Sue has already told Brandon that if he needs people to help with the event, we will be there.

Membership- Pam C. would like to see us go paperless. She will now be emailing the current membership lists out. If you need a new one, just email her. Also, dues are due.

Active Club- Let's put a committee together to talk to the city council about getting birds back in the active club. Even if it's just for a demo bird for the guest speaker to have. Brenda will talk to other places with rooms to rent to see if we can get an affordable place that allows the birds.

Newsletter- Annie is currently working on a newsletter. She will hopefully have one out on Jan. 15.

Meeting adjourned at 3:22