

DSA November Board Meeting – November 20, 2025

Via Zoom

Meeting was called to order at 7:06 pm

Present: Martha Lageschulte, Lorrie McAllister, Tammy Linnert, Donna Dannen, Julie Morris, Rodney Martin, Terry Walb, Linda Kitzman

President: Martha Lageschulte

Lorrie McAllister discussed IRS Form 990, which nonprofit organizations are required to file each year. DSA's last report filed with the IRS was in 2023. That 990 was completed by Heidi Nieman. The address on file is Pam Buhl's address, so it's possible we did not receive a reminder from the IRS. Regardless, DSA needs to fix this problem and make sure the Form 990's are up to date. Martha Lageschulte will reach out to Pam Buhl to discuss IRS form 990 for 2024 in next few days. Lorrie McAllister will upload the 990 forms from 2022 and 2023.

Vice President: Terry Walb

Recording Secretary: Lorrie McAllister

Corresponding Secretary: Tammy Linnert

Treasurer: Pam Buhl did not attend.

Board:

Agility Trial:

100 entries were received on the first day. Online entries filled in 15 minutes—we're still accepting mail entries and will resume online entries after several days. It's unusual for a trial early in the new year to fill so quickly. Bev Brinson is the new trial secretary who replaced Helen Hittesdorf.

DSA Specialty 2025

Pam Arnold verified that Christie Martinez will attend DSA 2025!

Terry Walb shared information from Dougco about upcoming changes. We'll be working for a new person, but it's unknown who. RV rates will increase for '26.

Terry forwarded the Dougco email to the board. Small clubs will not be able to schedule more than 6 months out. It's possible you could get more time if you need to get approval from parent club. DSA typically reserves a year ahead. Fire Department reviewed our plans for the rings and layout at the specialty. Our contract with Dougco requires a schematic of rings.

Concurrent Specialty June 2026

Linda Kitzman reported on the concurrent specialty planning. Andrea Floyd of Flatirons Kennel Club was notified that we want the pavilion area on Saturday in the morning and that the specialty will be concurrent. There is an FKC planning meeting this coming Wednesday.

Judges: we do not have a judge's liaison for the June 2026 show, which complicates DSA choice of judges. Linda Kitzman suggested that since Martha Lageschulte is already on the judging panel for FKC, and is judging other breeds, she could judge our concurrent specialty.

Any dogs that a judge co-owns cannot be shown at any shows that weekend. Dogs that are not co-owned by a judge that is on the panel, but not judging that breed, can be shown; i.e. the Martin's can show dogs that Martha does not co-own at the concurrent and other shows.

We discussed whether the board could make the decision about the specialty judge, or should we include the members.

- Who is on the FKC judging panel and is qualified to judge Samoyeds

- When is our deadline to tell FKC our judge choice
- We want membership input, but time is short
- As soon as possible we will list the judges on the FKC panel on WhatsApp and ask for judge preferences.
- Because of time constraints, the DSA board will make the final decision
- We can use membership preferences to request that FKC assign the other top three choices for Sammys on the other days at the show
- DSA board will hold an emergency meeting to make the final decision

FKC judging panel (names in **bold** can judge the working group):

- **Martha Lageschulte**
- **Karen Hynek**
- **John Ramirez**
- Azalea Alvarez (not qualified to judge Sams)
- **Marissa Clark**
- **Carolyn Herbel**
- **Pam Schroeder**

Martha Lageschulte is willing to judge our specialty.

Barks'N'Growls

We discussed including more Barks'n'Growls from members not attending the meetings. Lorrie McAllister suggested that we encourage members to send in their Barks ahead of time if they're not going to be at the meeting so we can celebrate their accomplishments. Tammy Linnert will include this with the reminders about upcoming meetings.

Adjourn: Lorrie McAllister moved, Terry Walb 2nd—7:56 pm