

## **PAPER CITIES KENNEL CLUB BOARD MEETING**

### **April 4, 2018**

Board Members Present: Andi Baltes, Brenda Blume, Rose Gottung, Yvette Huesler, Gary Jakobi,

Barb Powers, Marv Strassburger, Jim Swanson and Sue Webber

Guests: John Crotteau, Barb Jakobi and Karen Strassburger

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 PM by President Yvette Huesler, at Papillon's in the Rothschild Shopko Plaza.

The minutes for the March 7, 2018, board meeting were read by Rose Gottung and accepted as read.

**President's Report:** President Huesler reminded that our show is this weekend, April 7 and 8.

**Treasurer's Report:** Receipts -- \$565.76; Disbursements -- \$1,252.45; Total -- \$9,990.64  
Raffle \$4,210.31

**Committee Reports:**

***Audit:*** Nothing yet.

***Awards:*** Nothing to report.

***Barn Hunt:*** August 11 and 12 at Stable Hands Equine Therapy Center

It was reported that both judges have been secured and one of them is bringing rats, and the application is being submitted. It was also reported that Bobbie Stoltz got a nice letter from an exhibitor, Kris Riebe, who competed last year. Kris said "they had such a wonderful time at ours, in fact it was the best one!" The committee will be meeting after the show. They are planning the Crazy 8s class, probably for Friday evening.

***Canine Ambassadors:*** Brenda Blume reported a presentation was done at DC Everest Middle School on March 15 with Wendy Torgerson's classroom, and also at St. Anne's on March 20.

***Donations:*** No report.

***Historian:*** No report.

***Legislative Liaison:*** President Huesler reported Wayne Pacelle has been ousted from the HSUS.

***Mall Demo:*** Nothing to report.

***Match:*** On hold until after the show.

***Membership:*** Barb Powers indicated Pam Small has decided she does not wish to renew her membership. President Huesler reported she received a long letter from Cory Guss, who recently attended one of our meetings as a guest. She voiced her opinions, feeling the club's code of ethics are useless and that we are so lax with breeding requirements, so she said she can't be a member if we don't change our requirements.

***Parliamentarian:*** Nothing to report.

***Party Animals:*** Barb Jakobi reported the Labor Day picnic is next.

**Property:** Marv Strassburger reported that everything that needed to get out of the trailer ahead of time got out, and that he has signs for Jim Swanson and signs for Bobbie Stoltz. John Croteau will be picking up the trailer and all the pipe and drape supplies. Marv noted he had more duplicates made of the key for the trailer, and he gave those to Barb Powers, Sue Webber, John Croteau and Yvette Huesler.

**Public Education Coordinator:** Barb Powers reported she is making copies of cute puzzles for kids. Barn hunt flyers will be available.

**Public Relations:** Rose Gottung reported she delivered bag stuffers to Marathon Town & Country, Petco, Trigs in Wausau, County Market and Piggly Wiggly in Merrill, and to the Lincoln County Humane Society. Jim Swanson noted that an ad ran in the Foto News this week and also last week, Yvette was part of a radio spot on WJMT, a flyer was posted at the library, and the Merrill Chamber of Commerce put our event on their Facebook page. Rose noted that the MARC asked for our flyer so they could advertise our show. President Huesler commented that Sunrise 7 was doing some reporting on National Dog Fitness month, and she asked that members post our event and share on Facebook. Jim indicated he received blessings to put signs up—he will put at the on/off ramps and every half mile or so, also signs on Highway 107 coming from the north.

**Raffle:** We have a bunch of baskets set to go.

**Seminar and Program Committee:** Marv Strassburger reported that Sheila Kessler has not gotten back to him yet, so we will not have a flyer in time for the show.

**Show and Obedience/Rally Trials:**

- Marv reported he received a phone call from the Merrill City administrator or his assistant questioning how we are going to collect parking from three entrances, confusing Marv since there is only one entrance to the MARC property, then the individual realized he should have read the rest of the email, as he thought we were at the fairgrounds.
- Gary Jakobi will be there to sell catalogs.
- President Huesler suggested we try to run all club members' dogs first if it is possible, as then those members will be more available to help.
- Parking: Sue Webber will have parking passes printed. Parking is \$5 for one day or \$10 for both. The Merrill Hockey Association will give us a list of their names so they get parking passes in advance. It was thought we should charge for parking until 1 PM. Marv noted that if someone says that they are going to the dog park we need to leave them through. Brenda, and her dad and brother, will take care of parking. It was questioned if we need to mark off any areas for no parking.
- Jim Swanson reported that the Merrill Optimists have agreed to provide us with some volunteers. They are hoping for at least five per day, but more would be welcome.
- Vendors: Karen Strassburger reported we have three of them, and that the portrait photographer paid for 40' of space. Karen indicated a jeweler contacted her two days ago, but she had to tell her sorry, that we didn't have any more space.
- Heat is being provided in the garage/outbuilding.
- It was noted that anybody who is crating or grooming in the zamboni room will need to move their stuff aside Saturday evening, as the MARC wants to move the machines back inside overnight.

- Andi Baltes reported she will help with the 5 for 5 Friday night, at least until Deb Raatz gets there.
- It was questioned who has all the new title rosettes for obedience/rally.
- Lunch: Barb Powers reported everything is set with lunch for about 45 people. It will be buffet-style and they will start it around 10:30 AM both days.
- Barb Powers noted she will have change available for the Pee Wee competition, raffle and 5x5, she will get aprons for the parking people and batteries for the radios, and make sure everything is set with the hotel rooms for the judges.
- Light blue shirts on Saturday and dark blue on Sunday. Rose will include in one last reminder email.
- Sunday Clean-Up: It was asked what the expectations are for cleaning up on Sunday, especially with grooming in the locker rooms. The club has a shop vac and a couple members volunteered to bring theirs. Marv noted that if the MARC has to do excessive cleaning they will charge so much per hour. Roy Jones is responsible for an indoor ex-pen.
- John Crotteau brought drawings of the MARC and went over some of the layout.
- Yvette Huesler indicated that if we find there is not enough space at the MARC, especially for obedience and rally, that we think about a stand-alone venue for performance in the new building at the fairgrounds. It is brand new and located about two to three miles away, and they would charge \$300 for the first day and \$250 for the second day. We should have enough matting to do two rings. This building might be great for scent work.

**Sunshine:** Nothing to report.

**Training:** Due to the snow, the training has been put off for another week. It will be both conformation and obedience on Monday nights.

**Website:** Nothing to report.

**Unfinished Business:** None

**New Business:** None

President Huesler reminded that the general meeting is next Wednesday, April 11, at Willow Springs. We will go over all observations, comments and concerns regarding the show while it is still fresh in our heads.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:36 PM.

Submitted by: Rose Gottung