

PAPER CITIES KENNEL CLUB MEETING

February 21, 2018

The meeting was called to order by President Yvette Huesler, at approximately 7:01 PM, at Willow Springs Garden.

Roll call was taken.

Introduction of Guests: Cory Guss

The minutes for the January 17, 2018, club meeting were read by Rose Gottung, and accepted as read.

President's Report: President Huesler thanked everyone for coming to the Mall Demo and participating in the various presentations/demos.

Treasurer's Report: None (Barb Powers could not be present.)

Committees:

Audit: It was noted it's too early for the audit; when it's time, Barb Powers will contact Karen Strassburger, Barb Jakobi and Karie McAuliffe to coordinate a date.

Awards: It was reported that a good time was had by those who attended the Awards Banquet on Saturday, January 20. Karen Strassburger noted all the awards were handed out, and they will be doing some different stuff for next year. Karen, Yvette and Brenda Blume will be working on a new set of regulations for awards.

Barn Hunt: Sue Wiesneske reported the committee had been looking at the weekend of August 11 and 12 for the trials, but that she just found out we will have to find another date, as Stable Hands has an event going on that weekend. It was asked if we could look at using the Merrill fairgrounds for the barn hunt trials. Sue will look at scheduling a meeting.

Canine Ambassadors: Sue Wiesneske reported that a presentation was given at one school so far, and that dates with four more schools are confirmed. St. Marks has expressed interest in having us come to their school, and possibly a visit to the Faith Christian Academy. We will be looking at some other companies for printing of the cards. It was noted it is always good to have extra members available for these programs and alternates, so if anyone is interested in participating they should contact Sue Wiesneske.

Donations: No report.

Historian: None. President Huesler reported she talked to a relative of hers who is a computer geek. We have to determine how much data we have and whether we need back-up someplace else. It was noted we can look at our options, but the big thing will be the scanning of our documents.

Legislative Liaison: Nothing to report.

Mall Demo: The Mall Demo was held on Saturday, February 10, at the Wausau Center. Marv

Strassburger reported he was well-satisfied with the turn out. For future events, we need to know which breeds will be in attendance, so we can make sure we have breed information for them. It was noted that we need some organization for the therapy dog group if they participate in the future, as they did not set up with a table so they just wandered around. President Huesler indicated she liked that some members wore their club shirts, but suggested that we try to dress very presentable for the public, especially for the parade of breeds, and dress appropriately as one might for conformation.

Match: Nothing to report. On hold until after the show.

Membership: President Huesler reported that a couple of people whose membership has lapsed would like to rejoin. Sue Webber responded that we need to do as our bylaws state. It was decided our process will be reviewed at the March board meeting.

Parliamentarian: Nothing to report.

Party Animals: Barb Jakobi noted next up will be something to do with the show.

Property: Marv Strassburger reported there was a small complication with returning the trailer into storage at Marathon Park. They ended up parking it in a different location temporarily until they could get it back in.

Public Education Coordinator: President Huesler reported that Barb Powers would like someone else to take over as the coordinator. No one volunteered to do so.

Public Relations: Nothing to report.

Raffle: Paula Crotteau reported she has sent out the raffle letter via email to a large volume of pet product companies, distributors, vendors, and that it has been a very time-consuming and frustrating project. Paula said she is having problems with Gmail not allowing her to send out the bulk that she tried—so many of them came back as undeliverable. She will try some more using her Charter account and otherwise will try an AOL account. Paula noted we already have stuff coming in. A portion of the raffle proceeds from this year will go to Patriot K9 Partners of Wisconsin, and our cause for next year will be Gunnar's Wheels Foundation. If anyone has any baskets that can be used for the raffle, please get them to Sue Wiesneske.

Show/Obedience Trials:

- All the flights for the judges have been confirmed.
- Marv reported that there are five rental car companies at the airport and Enterprise seems to be the best option. Jerry had indicated that two rental cars are needed for sure, and we will need to coordinate the transportation of one judge.
- Hotels: Both the AmericInn and the Badger Hotel have reduced their pet fee. People will need to mention they are with the dog show. We need to remind Jerry to include Wausau hotels, especially the La Quinta and Motel 6, in the judging schedule. Sue Webber noted that the updated hotel information is on our website.
- A Show Committee meeting has been set for Wednesday, March 14, at 7 PM, at Papillon's.
- If anyone sees anything incorrect in the premium list, they should let Jerry Sulewski, Yvette, or any member of the Show Committee know.
- Entries close on March 24.

- President Huesler reported that Barb Powers wants some input for what we want to have offered for food, and read through what Barb was given for options. A garden salad was suggested and also an adult sandwich item.

Seminars and Programs: Marv Strassburger reported he tried contacting Sheila Kessler, who is an attorney, regarding putting on a program about what life-end arrangements we should be making for our own pets for when we should pass. Sheila called Marv back informing that she would be willing to put on such a program, it would be about an hour-long presentation. She normally charges \$300 but would charge us \$150, and would do it for us for nothing but the material she presents is copyrighted. We need to figure out a date. It was suggested we plan it for one of our club meetings and that June would probably be the best month, and maybe we could have it outside. This would be a very beneficial program, and we could invite veterinarians, other clubs, and perhaps making it known to the public.

Sunshine: Karen Strassburger reported she sent two cards—to Dr. Jeff (loss of dog) and Bev Meier (loss of dog). Karen indicated she will be sending a card to Edna Powers (slip and fall).

Training: Brenda Blume and Yvette Huesler will be setting up some training as they have gotten inquiries.

Website: President Huesler reported there are some broken links to members' websites; Sue Webber will look at them and fix. Members should send brags/pictures that can be put on the website, they just need to be sized to be less than 150K. If members need help in sizing them, they can be sent to Paula Crotteau who will resize them.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business: Karen Strassburger reported she received a pamphlet for a seminar being presented by the Humane Animal Welfare Society (HAWs) on Separation Anxiety—Mission Possible. This is being held on Saturday, May 19, and Sunday, May 20, at the Western Waukesha County Dog Training Club.

Thanks to Roxi Peltier for bringing treats to the meeting. Paula Crotteau volunteered to bring treats to the March meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:10 PM.

Submitted by: Rose Gottung