

PAPER CITIES KENNEL CLUB MEETING

October 17, 2018

The meeting was called to order by President Yvette Huesler, at approximately 7:03 PM, at Willow Springs Garden.

Roll call was taken.

The minutes for the September 19, 2018, club meeting were read by Rose Gottung, and accepted as read.

President's Report: President Huesler commented that everyone should keep doing what they are doing. She reported she will have a question to ask of everyone at the next meeting—probably what is your favorite show site, besides ours, and why.

Treasurer's Report: Receipts -- \$411.74; Disbursements -- \$100.00; Total -- \$16,853.13
Raffle -- \$4,391.17

Committees:

Awards: It was reported that titles need to be earned by October 31. The deadline for submitting proof of titles earned to Karen Strassburger was changed from December 31 to December 1. Updated requirements for titles will be released soon. It was asked who makes up the committee for the selection of the Outstanding Service Award. It is the vice president (Brenda Blume), a recipient from last year's award (either Barb or Gary Jakobi) and a member at large. President Huesler noted that if members wish to nominate someone, they should complete a nomination form which can be found on the website.

Barn Hunt: It was noted that we need to contact the 4H groups in January to get on their schedule. Jim Swanson suggested that we also contact the Merrill Area Youth Hockey Association for secondary help.

Canine Ambassadors: The visit to Benedictine Living Community is set for this Friday, October 19, at 2:00 PM. All club members are welcome to attend with their well-behaved dog.

Donations: No report.

Education/Training: Nothing to report.

Historian: None. Any volunteers?

Legislative Liaison: Nothing to report.

Mall Demo: Marv Strassburger reported he will not know anything until January.

Match: It was reported that Andi Baltes and Rose Gottung are planning a match for February or March, and that more than likely Camp Bandy will be the venue.

Membership: Barb Powers reported she has extra renewal sheets if anyone needs one. She will be sending out a reminder note to members who have not renewed. It was noted that memberships that have not been renewed within 90 days after the first of October will be considered delinquent.

Parliamentarian: Nothing to report.

Party Animals: Andi Baltes reported the December meeting/Christmas party will be held on Wednesday, December 12, at Gulliver's. The Awards Banquet is being scheduled for January 19 at Sconni's.

Property: Marv Strassburger commented that he isn't sure what is going on with the overhead racks for the trailer. Rose reported she checked with John Crotteau and he said it's not likely that he will have time to work on the racks before the trailer needs to go into storage. John's plan was to run 2x2s across the trailer just below the roof.

Public Education Coordinator: It was reported there were 25 dog walkers for the Women's Community Safefur Homes Dog Walk that was held on Saturday, October 13, at Marathon Park, and that they plan to make it an annual event.

Public Relations: Nothing to report.

Raffle: President Huesler reminded that she is calling for a challenge for club members to donate breed-specific items so some awesome raffle baskets can be made up.

Seminar and Programs: Andi Baltes indicated when she contacted Fromms she asked them about sending a representative, perhaps to our February meeting, to talk about the dog foods they produce, and someone will be getting back to her. Todd Orthmann suggested a demo on a dog sport called Parkour; he said the equipment you need is rather simple but it's something interesting to do with your dog.

Show/Obedience Trials:

- The report from the joint Show Review Committee and Show Finance Committee meeting was presented to the board at their October meeting.
- Trophies: Sue Lewitzke indicated she would like to donate trophies for her breed for winners' dog and winners' bitch in the form of gift bags. Club members wishing to donate/provide trophies for their breed should let Marv Strassburger or Jerry Sulewski know so they can be put in the premium list. Andi Baltes reported that she talked to someone at Fromms and they typically send a sampler gift with dog food, canned food and treats. Andi also reported that she asked Wendy Jones if she would be willing to solicit another donation from the Athens Veterinary Clinic but she is not willing to do so. Yvette said she will ask them, and Andi indicated she will check with her vet.
- It was reported that a show committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 24, at 7:00 PM, at the Hardees on Stewart Avenue. Members are invited to attend.
- There was discussion regarding selling sponsorships for the show. Todd Orthmann commented that the club considered at one time to set up sponsorships but that the club voted against it. It was asked for what reasons the club voted against it. Sue Webber suggested this be brought up at a show committee meeting. It was noted that many different events have sponsorships and that this would really benefit the club to do it, but we need to have a group of people who are willing to plan this out. Sue Webber noted that one of the recommendations of the review committees was that we talk to the Merrill Chamber of Commerce regarding sponsorships instead of catalog ads, and perhaps we offer to Wausau and Merrill restaurants and other businesses an ad on a flyer that we can guarantee to those businesses that everyone coming to the MARC and parking will get one of the flyers.

Sunshine: Nothing to report.

Website: Nothing to report.

Nominations: President Huesler reported she received an email from a club member who asked whether nominations from the floor and elections would be delayed a month since the list of nominees was not sent out to the membership as far ahead of the meeting as required. Sue Webber indicated she did not get the list of nominees to Rose in time for the meeting notice, and that to comply with the bylaws, the nominations from the floor should be delayed until November to go with the presumed intent of the bylaws to give notification of all the nominees prior to the election. It was suggested that we do nominations from the floor at the November meeting and then do our elections, as it would be difficult to vote at the December meeting/Christmas party. Someone commented that this would mean members will not know what the ballot is ahead of time. It was pointed out that it has been known since August that nominations from the floor would happen at the October meeting with elections at the November meeting, so anyone wanting to vote will be at the November meeting. A motion was made by Gary Jakobi that nominations from the floor be delayed until the beginning of the November meeting with elections to take place at the end of the meeting. Seconded by Karen Strassburger; motion carried.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

- It was reported that the Mosinee Christmas Parade is being held on December 1, and that Brenda Blume and her family are working on a float for the club. Interested club members should contact Brenda.
- Marv Strassburger reported that he was at an estate sale lately that had power strips and he purchased several of them hoping they could be used by the club. Marv said he also purchased a 6' strip of conduit. A motion was made by Sue Webber that we reimburse Marv for the purchase of the power strips and conduit. Seconded by Jim Swanson; motion carried. President Huesler recommended that we write our club name on each power strip.

Thanks to Sue Lewitzke and Barb Powers for bringing treats to the meeting. Todd and Sandy Orthmann volunteered to bring treats to the November meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:12 PM.

Submitted by: Rose Gottung