

## **PAPER CITIES KENNEL CLUB MEETING**

### **July 17, 2019**

The meeting was called to order by President Yvette Huesler, at Willow Springs Garden.

Roll call was taken.

Karen Smith from the Marshfield area gave a very informative presentation on Parkour for dogs, and then demonstrated with one of her dogs.

The minutes for the May 15, 2019, club meeting were accepted as read at the June 19 club meeting. The minutes for the June 19, 2019 club meeting were read by Rose Gottung; one correction was made, and the minutes were accepted as corrected.

**President's Report:** President Huesler expressed thanks to Karen Smith for her presentation on Parkour, and to Andi Baltes for arranging the presentation.

**Treasurer's Report:** Receipts -- \$2.29; Disbursements -- \$436.00; Total -- \$21,887.22  
Raffle -- \$4,922.09

**Corresponding Secretary's Report:** No report.

**Committees:**

***Audit:*** Done.

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

***Barn Hunt:*** Trials are set for the weekend of August 16–18, at the Stable Hands Equine Therapy Center, and a “chat with the judge/play with a rat” event will be held on Sunday, August 4, from 10 AM to 2 PM, in Mosinee, at the Sportsman’s Repair Shop building. A committee meeting was held on Tuesday, June 25, at Sue Wiesneske’s house. Bobbie Stoltz posted on Facebook that as of this morning, we have 27 paid entries, and we need at least 77 more entries to break even. Rose Gottung reported she has emailed the premium list and the Chat & Play flyer to our barn hunt exhibitors from last year, and to a long list of clubs, trainers, etc. Brenda Blume asked whether we are bringing snacks to the August 4 Chat & Play for club members over lunch.

***Canine Ambassadors:*** Karen Strassburger reported we have a visit scheduled at Benedictine Living Community, on Tuesday, August 13, at 2 PM. Any member can attend with their well-behaved dog(s). It was noted that we can bring our canine ambassador cards along.

***Donations:*** There was discussion about giving our guest tonight, Karen Smith, a gift card. A motion was made by Gary Jakobi, that we give Karen a \$25 Kwik Trip gas/store card. Seconded by Andi Baltes; motion carried.

***Education/Training:*** Nothing to report.

***Historian:*** None. Any volunteers?

**Legislative Liaison:** President Huesler reported on the continued waste of money by the HSUS, especially for nearly a half million dollars in payroll for a recent fundraiser. Yvette will send an email to Rose that can be forwarded to the membership.

**Mall Demo:** Nothing to report.

**Match:** Rose Gottung reported an obedience/rally correction match is set for Saturday, December 7, to be held at Camp Bandy.

**Membership:** Barb Powers reported she has a full box of the club's business cards. President Huesler asked that all club members who are involved with club events should have a supply of the cards to hand out, and if they want, they can add their own contact information on the back of the cards.

**Parliamentarian:** No report.

**Party Animals:** Our Labor Day picnic will be held at Todd and Sandy Orthmann's place.

**Property:** Marv Strassburger reported he still hasn't gotten an answer one way or the other from the owner of the building in Brokaw. Marv noted the owner is trying to secure a tenant for another space in the building, and if that works out, he would be willing to work with us on an affordable rent.

**Public Education Coordinator:** Nothing to report.

**Public Relations:** Rose Gottung reported she will send out a press release for the Barn Hunt trials.

**Raffle:** Nothing to report.

**Seminar and Programs:** President Huesler expressed thanks to Andi Baltes for setting up the Parkour presentation/demonstration tonight. It was very informative.

**Show/Obedience Trials:** President Huesler reported that Jerry Sulewski informed that we would get first crack at the Kenosha weekend if and when it becomes open, and that he is applying with AKC for both the April and September weekends. The MARC has us penciled in for the September weekend also. It was also reported that we will be working with Foy Trent out of Missouri as our new superintendent.

**Sunshine:** Nothing to report.

**Website:** President Huesler reported that at the board meeting, updating our website was discussed, and the board agreed to have Dennis Kruzan who does website design, create a revamped website for us, as he is willing to do it for free. Paula Crotteau will send our colored logo to Yvette, and if anyone has pictures of your dogs doing things, they should also be sent to Yvette. President Huesler asked if there is anything that we want on the website that currently isn't there. Dennis will email a mock-up of the revamped website to Yvette, and Rose will send to the membership.

### **Unfinished Business:**

- Thursdays on the Wausau 400 Block: President Huesler asked Todd Orthmann if he had any update on setting up something on the 400 block. Todd responded that he didn't have anything.
- Participation at Wisconsin Valley Fair: Rose Gottung reported she has been in contact with the Wisconsin Valley Fair to see if they would like us to participate again this year. The date would be Saturday, August 3. Rose noted that Jodi on the fair board had suggested whether the center area of the Exhibition building might work for us, and it was thought that the middle area might be too congested and not large enough for demos. Rose will contact Jodi

and inform her of this and suggest at least a 30'x30' tent outside. Rose asked club members present, who might be available to participate that day, given that the Barn Hunt Chat & Play is scheduled for the next day. Several indicated they would be available to participate, and Barb Powers noted she could come for a short while with the public education material.

**New Business:**

- Sue Lewitzke reported that she and Brian DeWitt were contacted by the Lincoln County 4-H dog committee, to see if there was a possibility of having some of our members help them with a mock show to prepare their 4-Hers for the fair show. This would be on Monday, July 29, for conformation and junior showmanship, and on Monday, August 5, for obedience and rally. Sue noted they are looking for people to judge and help them through the mock sessions. This will be held from 6:00 to 8:00 PM on both dates, and held at the Lincoln County fairgrounds. Interested members should contact Sue Lewitzke.
- President Huesler reported that at the last board meeting, it was decided to replace Brian DeWitt on the board as he has attended only one meeting this year. Yvette further reported that she asked Kay Salzwedel if she was still interested in serving on the board, but she declined. Yvette then asked John Crotteau tonight if he might be interested, and he would be willing to accept a board seat for the remainder of this year.
- Club Shirts: Barb Powers brought a catalog of shirts/apparel that we could order from.
- Club Mats: It was asked if we are going to sell our mats. Marv Strassburger thought we shouldn't sell them just yet.

Thanks to Yvette Huesler for bringing treats to the meeting. Willow Springs is having another Pizza Night on the Patio on our next meeting date, August 21. Let's all come early and enjoy all you can eat homemade pizza, salad, desserts; it starts at 6:00 PM.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:07 PM.

Submitted by: Rose Gottung