

PAPER CITIES KENNEL CLUB BOARD MEETING

March 6, 2019

Board Members Present: Brenda Blume, Rose Gottung, Yvette Huesler, Gary Jakobi, Todd Orthmann and Sue Webber

Guests: Barb Jakobi, Sandy Orthmann, Karen Strassburger and Marv Strassburger

The meeting was called to order at 7:12 PM by President Yvette Huesler, at Papillon's in the Rothschild Shopko Plaza.

The minutes for the February 6, 2019, board meeting were read by Rose Gottung, and accepted as read.

President's Report: Reminder of our upcoming show, the weekend of April 6 and 7.

Treasurer's Report: None (Barb Powers could not attend)

Committee Reports:

Audit: Barb Powers informed President Huesler in an email that they hope to get the audit done this month.

Awards: There was some discussion regarding our awards requirements.

Barn Hunt: A meeting was held on Saturday, March 2. Barn hunt trials are being planned for the weekend of August 16–18. Two judges are secured and they will make sure we have rats.

Canine Ambassadors: Several bite prevention presentations are scheduled: Spencer, Stratford, Trinity Lutheran, Rothschild, St. Anne's.

Donations: No report.

Education/Training: Nothing to report.

Historian: None

Legislative Liaison: President Huesler reported that PETA people want to ban fur/leather in California. Yvette commented that people need to speak up even though the legislation might not be proposed in our state, yet. Brenda Blume reported there is Wisconsin legislation proposed to outlaw the use of wild game in hunting and sporting events.

Mall Demo: Marv Strassburger reported the mall demo went well—perhaps the crowd wasn't as big as in past years. We didn't find out ahead of time that the mall had changed their hours, and we couldn't bring the trailer this year because it was snowed in.

Match: Rose Gottung reported we will concentrate our efforts on a day or weekend of stand-alone obedience and rally trials, and looking at either the Merrill fairgrounds or Camp Bandy. We will draw more exhibitors from the Fox Valley area if held at Camp Bandy than we would at Merrill, and ring gating is readily available.

Membership: No report.

Parliamentarian: Nothing to report.

Party Animals: No report.

Property: Marv Strassburger reported that our mats are back in the trailer, after being used at the Mall Demo. Barb Powers emailed Yvette that we need to think about possibly renting a storage unit because she needs to get the mats out of her mother's garage as her brother will be moving in with her mother and he will need the garage space. Barb Powers did not provide a time limit when the mats need to be out. This will be brought up at the next meeting.

Public Education Coordinator: No report.

Public Relations: Rose Gottung reported she will be working on the press release for the show. Rose created a flyer and delivered several copies to Dan at the MARC who said he will post them in the arena and at Merrill City Hall and their Community Center. Rose also sent Dan an electronic file of the flyer, which he has already posted on their website. President Huesler noted that Shelley Delimat heard an advertisement about the show on local radio; Rose responded it's not something we have paid for.

Raffle: Raffle baskets will be put together at Sue Wiesneske's house on Saturday, March 30. Members can bring their items to the club meeting, and Paula Crotteau will send an email to Rose to send to the membership.

Seminar and Program Committee: It was noted that the Fromm presentation went quite well considering the inclement weather. President Huesler noted that if anyone wants to tour the original Fromm farm located in the Hamburg area, that it's really worthwhile; it's very interesting and well worth the cost of the tour. Fromm has some dates set for tours.

Show and Obedience/Rally Trials:

- Barb Powers emailed that the Pentas will need a ride from the airport because they do not want to rent a car.
- Barb Powers also emailed that the EMT is on board. If Mary LaPorte can't be there, she will find someone for us.
- Barb Powers noted she took care of the insurance with Roy Jones.
- Mandy from the Merrill Hockey Club will get lunch prices to Barb Powers next week and she has the cleanup people for us.
- Jerry Sulewski reported we have similar entries to last year. Entries close on March 20.
- It was noted we may not need the heaters this year.
- President Huesler went through the recommendations that were developed after last year's shows.
- The club should pay for workers' lunches.
- Roxi Peltier is handling reserved grooming reservations. It was noted we need at least two people at the show who understand the grooming map.
- It was asked if the hockey people could provide some door greeters to help make exhibitor unloading go smoother.
- Starting times each day: this will be determined when we find out our entries.
- It was noted that Fromm Pet Foods should provide us with a camera-ready page-size ad for the catalog.
- President Huesler indicated she will contact Shelley Delimat to see if she might be willing to contact Merrill area businesses/eating establishments to put together a one-page coupon sheet that we can hand to people when parking.

- Yvette Huesler indicated Jerry Sulewski had advised her that next year's show weekend falls on the same weekend as the Collie National Specialty. Jerry is willing to co-chair but we will need someone to chair during the show weekend.

Sunshine: Nothing to report.

Website: Nothing to report.

Unfinished Business:

- Youth Involvement in Our Club: Brian DeWitt informed that he attended a 4-H meeting and that he wants to get involved in their group if they need help. This would be with the Lincoln County Dog Project. It was asked if 4-H kids could be greeters at the show and we could donate to their group.
- Club Brochure: Yvette Huesler reported she has updated the brochure and will send it to several members for review/input.

New Business: None

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:37 PM.

The March club meeting on March 20, will be held at the MARC at 7:00 PM. Marv Strassburger will be meeting with a representative from the Merrill Police Department beforehand. Rose will note the location change often in meeting notice emails to the membership.

Submitted by: Rose Gottung