

PAPER CITIES KENNEL CLUB BOARD MEETING

May 1, 2019

Board Members Present: Andi Baltus, Brenda Blume, Rose Gottung, Yvette Huesler, Gary Jakobi, Sue Lewitzke,
Todd Orthmann and Sue Webber
Guests: Barb Jakobi

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by President Yvette Huesler, at Papillon's in the Rothschild Shopko Plaza.

The minutes for the April 3, 2019, board meeting were read by Rose Gottung. One correction was made, and the minutes were accepted as corrected.

President's Report: President Huesler commented on the success of our show weekend.

Treasurer's Report: Barb Powers could not be present but provided her report.
Receipts -- \$2,379.47; Disbursements -- \$350.00; Total -- \$23,206.42
Raffle \$6,465.08

Committee Reports:

Audit: President Huesler indicated that Barb Powers had emailed her that the audit will be done by June.

Awards: No report.

Barn Hunt: Trials are being planned for the weekend of August 16–18. The event is posted on the Barn Hunt schedule.

Canine Ambassadors: A bite prevention presentation is scheduled at Weston Elementary on Wednesday, May 8, with a rain date of Wednesday, May 15. Sue Wiesneske is waiting to hear back from Mosinee school, which will be the last one for the school year.

Donations: No report.

Education/Training: Brenda Blume reported she received a message wondering when we were going to hold some classes. President Huesler indicated she is willing to do, but can't make it every time. Todd Orthmann indicated he is willing to do some pet obedience classes one or two nights a week.

Historian: None

Legislative Liaison: President Huesler commented that something just came out from AKC that she will post.

Mall Demo: No report.

Match: Planning for a day or weekend of stand-alone obedience and rally trials will start.

Membership: No report.

Parliamentarian: Nothing to report.

Party Animals: Next up will be our Labor Day picnic. Todd Orthmann commented that if we do not have a location yet for the picnic, that he and Sandy are willing to host at their place.

Property: No report.

Public Education Coordinator: No report.

Public Relations: Nothing to report.

Raffle: It was suggested that if any member sees something good that can be used for our raffle, that we pick it up.

Seminar and Program Committee: Nothing to report.

Show and Obedience/Rally Trials:

- Jerry Sulewski called in. He indicated he has been in contact with Guy with AKC, and Guy has told him that we cannot take Kenosha's show date, the weekend after Labor Day, until they give it to us.
- After much discussion regarding options for a different show weekend and other shows we might come up against, a motion was made by Gary Jakobi that we recommend to the club, that if possible, we change our show weekend to the weekend after Labor Day, provided Kenosha gives up their date. Seconded by Todd Orthmann; motion carried. The MARC is available that weekend. Changing the date of our show benefits the club all around. Our second option for possible show weekends would be the first weekend of August.
- President Huesler commented that rather than the club paying someone to transport the trailer, that we take club members up on their offer to use their vehicle.

Sunshine: No report.

Website: Nothing to report.

Unfinished Business: Sue Lewitzke reported she talked to Rob Duberstein, and he has started his own Facebook page. It was noted that Rob can link to our page. Rob indicated that anyone wanting to give something for photos can make an anonymous donation that will go to Honor Flight.

New Business:

- Sue Lewitzke asked about the club doing a three-week program during the summer, geared towards kids, to learn about dogs, how to cut nails, grooming, etc., and we promote it to the 4H kids to attend. Perhaps start it in June so kids have the experience before the Merrill and Wausau fairs.
- Brenda Blume reported she knows a couple people who might be interested in joining our club but is concerned that our club is not inviting enough and our membership process is too complicated. Todd Orthmann suggested the club explore offering a number of different events that we can have early, before we have our meetings, or on Thursdays on the 400 block. We need to develop a letter to send out to various service clubs. There also was considerable discussion regarding recruiting new members and engaging existing members, on ideas to get our club name out there, to develop answers to questions regarding our membership process, why the process is the way it is, and what are the benefits of joining our club, and for the public to see us in a more inviting/engaging light. The consensus was to establish an ad hoc committee to plan, promote, and do this, or perhaps have a brainstorming session before a club meeting. Todd offered to organize such a meeting.
- Appointments to the Show Review Committee (consisting of last year's show chairperson, the obedience chairperson and two other club members) and the Show Finance

Committee: the board appointed Jerry Sulewski, Rose Gottung, Yvette Huesler and Sue Webber to the Show Review Committee; and Barb Powers, Sue Webber and Bobbie Stoltz to the Show Finance Committee. The two committees will meet separately, then jointly, and report to the board no later than three months following the show.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:25 PM.

Submitted by: Rose Gottung