

PAPER CITIES KENNEL CLUB BOARD MEETING

November 6, 2019

Board Members Present: Brenda Blume, Rose Gottung, Yvette Huesler, Gary Jakobi, Todd Orthmann, Barb Powers, Karen Strassburger and Sue Webber
Guests: Sandy Orthmann and Marv Strassburger

The meeting was called to order at 7:09 PM by President Yvette Huesler, at Papillon's in the Rothschild Shopko Plaza.

The minutes for the October 2, 2019, board meeting were read by Rose Gottung, and accepted as read.

President's Report: President Huesler thanked everyone who helped with unloading the trailer and filling up the storage unit on Saturday, October 19.

Question to be asked at the club meeting on November 20: What is the favorite thing you do with your dog or dogs?

Treasurer's Report: Receipts -- \$2,183.02; Disbursements -- \$152.00; Total -- \$25,001.56
Raffle \$4,922.09

Corresponding Secretary's Report: Nothing to report.

Committee Reports:

Awards: Karen Strassburger reported the committee will meet this Friday, November 8, around noon at I-Hop, to go over the application.

Barn Hunt: No report. A couple of new members have expressed interest in barn hunt so we are hoping for renewed interest in the trials.

Canine Ambassadors: No report.

Donations: No report.

Education/Training: It was reported the Sportsman's building in Mosinee has been sold and everything needs to be out by January 1.

Historian: None

Legislative Liaison: President Huesler reported that if you sign up for AKC legislative alerts you will get email updates.

Mall Demo: Marv Strassburger reported he hasn't visited the Wausau Center yet.

Match: Rose Gottung reported the obedience and rally correction match is set for Saturday, December 7, at Camp Bandy. Flyers have been posted at the Sportsman's building and Camp Bandy, and placed on crates at the recent Timber Ridge obedience and rally trials, and it has been posted on Facebook. Club members need to volunteer to help with set up, stewarding and tear down.

Membership: There was discussion regarding developing some new ideas for the membership application, and then we can form an ad hoc committee.

Parliamentarian: Nothing to report.

Party Animals: Gary Jakobi reported the Christmas Party is being planned for Saturday, December 14, at Pinewood Supper Club in Mosinee. We will be set up on a long table in the main

dining room, but if the back room doesn't book, then they'll put us in there. Gary also reported that Barb came up with the following options for the gift exchange: (1) \$15 gift exchange and steal (drawn by number or a card game) like we've done in the past; (2) animal toy or treats (unwrapped) and exchange or steal (drawn by number or a card game); (3) animal toy, treats, or food for an animal shelter and two door prizes (for humans); (4) cookie/candy exchange in lieu of traditional exchange, used for our dessert and exchange (exchange boxes to be provided); or (5) combination of the above. We will ask for a show of hands to vote on the options at the club meeting. We will decide whether we will have a separate club meeting on December 18.

Property: Marv Strassburger reported our trailer was advertised on Facebook Market Place on Sunday morning, October 20, and by 10:30 AM it was sold and finding its way to the person in Merrill who purchased it with cash at our asking price of \$2,000. Marv further reported the mats have been moved out of Edna Powers' garage. They would not fit into our storage unit, so Marv rented space for them in another person's garage for \$120 for six months. Barb Powers noted she will remove the trailer from our insurance policy. We have not purchased a new trailer yet. Marv also reported he has reserved the pipe and drape for the September show, and working with Jerry Sulewski to plan out tenting for staging areas for the outdoor rings. We were planning for three conformation rings outside and one ring inside, and for two obedience and rally rings inside; but Jerry was also talking about having four rings outside.

Public Education Coordinator: Nothing to report.

Public Relations: Nothing to report. President Huesler reported she is wondering whether the club should run an ad in the Buyers Guide or on the back page of City Pages regarding pet holiday dangers. Yvette commented that an ad on the back page of City Pages is typically \$40 unless they have leftover space, then it's only \$10. It was questioned whether they have ads in the Wausau Pilot & Review; Barb Powers will check into this. Yvette will check with Marty Greer whether we can use her ad.

Raffle: President Huesler reminded that we decided on a kitchen-themed raffle basket for the November meeting. Rose Gottung noted she will ask Paula Crotteau to provide a short paragraph of details that she can send out in an email to the membership. Yvette added that it's okay if we get duplicates of items as they can be used in other raffle baskets.

Seminar and Program Committee: Rose Gottung reported she talked to an evaluator for Therapy Dogs International and we will set up something for our April meeting. We should be able to set up an hour before the meeting and test up to five dogs.

Show and Obedience/Rally Trials:

- The Show Review Committee and Show Finance Committee met together on October 23, and need to formalize their recommendations. There was also a judges' selection meeting that evening, that came up with a list of conformation judges to choose from; and Jerry is trying to hire provisional judges to fill in.
- Barb Powers will contact the hotel to book a block of rooms.
- President Huesler reported she received an inquiry whether we will have power for the RV's. It was suggested that we modify our Save The Date cards to include a statement such as: while we don't have power available at the show site for RV's, we can suggest they consider the Council Grounds State Park located less than a mile away. There was discussion whether there are places that might rent small generators, that we could include something in the premium. Marv Strassburger offered to do some checking and report back.

Sunshine: Karen Strassburger reported she will be sending a card to Andi Baltes (knee surgery).

Website: President Huesler reported that Dennis Kruzan indicated he will have the website changed over to the new site in about three weeks.

Unfinished Business:

- State 4-H Dog Show in 2021: We are waiting for the Marathon County 4H to get back to us.
- Show Review and Show Finance Committees: The committees met on October 23, and they need to formalize their recommendations.
- Attendance at Board Meetings Via Conference Call: Sue Webber will contact AKC.
- Club Credit Card with Cash Back: Barb Powers will be checking into this.

New Business:

- President Huesler reported she heard the Marathon County Extension office is considering dropping 4H. Yvette will keep us apprised of this, because if it is actually true, she would urge everyone to write as this is unacceptable.
- It was reported the Wausau Christmas Parade is Friday, December 6, and the Mosinee parade is Saturday, December 7.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:14 PM.

Submitted by: Rose Gottung