

# PAPER CITIES KENNEL CLUB BOARD MEETING

## January 8, 2020

Board Members Present: Andi Baltes, Brenda Blume, Rose Gottung, Gary Jakobi, Todd Orthmann, Barb Powers, Karen Strassburger and Sue Webber  
Guests: John Crotteau, Barb Jakobi, Mark McDonald and Marv Strassburger

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 PM by Vice President Brenda Blume, at Papillon's in the Rothschild Shopko Plaza.

The minutes for the December 4, 2019, board meeting were read by Rose Gottung, and accepted as read.

**President's Report:** President Huesler could not attend, but extended her wish for a Happy New Year, and let's make this a great year for the club!

**Treasurer's Report:** Receipts -- \$551.52; Disbursements -- \$485.53; Total -- \$23,930.24  
Raffle \$4,922.09

**Corresponding Secretary's Report:** Nothing to report.

### **Committee Reports:**

***Audit:*** Nothing yet.

***Awards:*** Karen Strassburger indicated she has all the awards set to go to Wausau Awards. The Awards Dinner is set for Saturday, January 25, at Sconni's.

***Barn Hunt:*** No report.

***Canine Ambassadors:*** Brenda Blume reported that Sue Wiesneske received a call from the Mosinee Library and they would like to set up some dog-related programs. Sue suggested we can start with our bite prevention program and grow from there. The first date she was given was Wednesday, March 25, from 2:30–3:30 PM. Sue also indicated the letter to the schools will be going out next week. If anyone has new schools that we should contact, please let Sue Wiesneske know.

***Donations:*** No report.

***Education/Training:*** There was discussion on finding a building that we can use for training. Barb Powers will check with Holy Name whether we could possibly use their gym. Brenda mentioned the New Hope Community Church on Highway J east of Wausau has a gym, and the Mosinee Chamber of Commerce has told her they would be more than happy to help find a building.

***Historian:*** None

***Legislative Liaison:*** Nothing to report per President Huesler.

***Mall Demo:*** The Mall Demo is set for Saturday, February 8, at the Wausau Center. Marv Strassburger will verify hours.

***Match:*** Rose Gottung reported the obedience and rally correction match was held on Saturday, December 7. We had three rings going at once, lots of appreciative comments were expressed by exhibitors, we had 58 total entries, and after giving Kwik Trip gift cards to the three judges, our profit was \$30.53.

**Membership:** Barb Powers reported that only one member has not renewed yet. It was asked if there is any status on the invitation to go out to members that have not been attending our meetings. Todd Orthmann indicated he would like to see this as more than just an invitation, but that we include a questionnaire and cover letter asking what members would like to see, new/fresh ideas, and that we include a stamped, return envelope as they will more likely be returned. It was noted that part of the postcard idea was to go through the past show catalog and invite anybody from our area to attend our meetings and join our club. Todd will compose a letter and questionnaire and bring to the next meeting, and he offered to financially support it.

**Parliamentarian:** Nothing to report.

**Party Animals:** The Christmas Party was held on Saturday, December 14, at the Pinewood Supper Club in Mosinee. The food was great and a good time was had by those who attended. Andi Baltes reported the Awards Dinner is set for Saturday, January 25, at Sconni's. We will meet around 5:30 PM for drinks, and will be ordering off the menu around 6:00 PM. Members should let Andi know if they will be attending by January 20, as she told Sconni's she would call them that evening with a head count. Barb Jakobi reported as a FYI that next up would be our picnic, which would fall on our dog show weekend, and she wondered whether we want to celebrate during our show. It was thought we should change the picnic by one weekend—either before or after the show weekend. It was noted we used to have picnics on our meeting nights. Todd suggested we could have a picnic in the spring or early summer, and he would be willing to volunteer his place again.

**Property:** Marv Strassburger reported he received a Christmas card from AC Party Rentals where we have gotten our pipe and drape from, thanking us for our past business. It was asked the status of a new trailer, and Marv responded we have not purchased one yet.

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

**Public Relations:** Nothing to report.

**Raffle:** Rose Gottung reported that Paula Crotteau had suggested our next raffle basket be a children's themed basket, to include toys, games, stuffed animals, books, etc.

**Seminar and Program Committee:** Rose Gottung reminded we are setting up a therapy dog presentation for the April meeting.

**Show and Obedience/Rally Trials – September 5 and 6:**

- Sue Webber reported that Jerry Sulewski has contacted the judges that have been suggested, and most of them are not available. A couple of them he has hired for the following year.
- Brenda Blume stressed that we need to finalize all of our committees and assign duties for the show in September. Sue Webber will bring a sign-up sheet to the club meeting.

**Sunshine:** Nothing to report.

**Website:** Brenda Blume reported the revamped website is finished. Thank you to Dennis Kruzan and Sue Webber for all their hard work on getting this up and running. Looks great!

**Unfinished Business:**

- Show Review and Show Finance Committees: The committees met on October 23, and they need to formalize their recommendations.
- Club Credit Card with Cash Back: Barb Powers reported she checked into this but asked if it is a good idea—what are we planning to use it for? Barb also reported we need to update which officers are allowed to sign checks. A motion was made by Gary Jakobi that the following officers be allowed: Treasurer, President and Recording Secretary. Seconded by

Todd Orthmann, motion carried. Barb noted the other thing we talked about is purchasing a credit card reader for our events, and it was thought we should post our events to be cash or check only; the idea is good but we don't really need one.

**New Business:** None

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:06 PM.

Submitted by: Rose Gottung