

## **PAPER CITIES KENNEL CLUB MEETING**

### **November 20, 2019**

The meeting was called to order by President Yvette Huesler, at 7:14 PM, at Willow Springs Garden.

Roll call was taken.

Introduction of Guests: Ester van Langen

The minutes for the October 16, 2019 club meeting were read by Barb Powers, and accepted as read.

**President's Report:** President Huesler expressed appreciation to those that attend our meetings and events we offer.

**Question of the Month:** President Huesler asked of those in attendance, what is the favorite thing you do with your dog or dogs?

**Treasurer's Report:**

Receipts -- \$2,213.02; Disbursements -- \$161.94; Total -- \$25,021.62

Raffle -- \$4,922.09

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

**Committees:**

***Awards:*** Karen Strassburger reported the awards year ended October 31, and the application was emailed to the membership along with a link to the rules. The documents are located on the website under the "members only area." Completed applications and proof of titles earned must be submitted to Karen by December 1. The nomination form for the Outstanding Service Award is also located on the website; completed nomination forms should be sent to Brenda Blume by December 31. Andi Baltes is setting up the Awards dinner.

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

***Canine Ambassadors:*** President Huesler expressed thanks to those who attended the visit to Acorn Hill Senior Living Community in Mosinee yesterday (November 19). Brenda Blume noted they were expecting six or seven dogs, but three showed up. Brenda also noted this facility does not require any certification for the dogs. They said this was the most well-attended visit they have had and they didn't want us to leave; the residents asked some great questions. It was suggested we set up another visit in the new year, and perhaps on a day when kids have off from school. Benedictine Living Community will also have us back anytime.

***Donations:*** It was noted that Sue Wiesneske has another veterans program that she is looking at as a possible cause for our show raffle. Otherwise it was thought we could consider Patriot K9s of Wisconsin again. There was some discussion regarding donations to area shelters, and consideration of donations outside of our raffle donation.

***Education/Training:*** We will be without the Sportsman's building in Mosinee after January 1. It was questioned whether Sarah Thuot might allow us to use her Patriot K9s building, and

Yvette offered to contact Sarah. Wendy Jones noted that Timber Ridge is looking at building options.

**Historian:** None. Any volunteers?

**Legislative Liaison:** Nothing to report.

**Mall Demo:** Nothing to report.

**Match:** The Obedience and Rally Correction Match is set for Saturday, December 7, from about 9 AM to 3 PM, at Camp Bandy; the building will open at 8:30 AM. Rose Gottung reported we need member help with set up, entry taking, ring stewarding, and tear down, and she routed around a sign-up sheet. Please let Rose know if you can help.

**Membership:** Barb Powers reported she sent out a reminder notice to those who have not renewed their dues.

**Parliamentarian:** Nothing to report.

**Party Animals:** Our Christmas Party is set for Saturday, December 14, at the Pinewood in Mosinee. We will meet for drinks starting at 5:30 PM and order from the menu at 6:00 PM. If you have not already done so, let Andi Baltes know by December 7 if you are planning to come. Barb Jakobi could not attend tonight's meeting but asked that we get a show of hands on the following five gift exchange options: (1) \$15 gift exchange and steal as we've done in the past; (2) Cookie/candy exchange (homemade or purchased) in lieu of option (1); (3) Unwrapped dog toy or treat with steal; (4) Unwrapped dog toy or treat for local shelter(s); or (5) Combination of the above. Options (2), (3), and (4) could include several door prizes. Some members in attendance already informed Barb Jakobi of their preference, and we will get tonight's preferences to Barb. It seems the cookie/candy exchange is the most popular so far.

**Property:** Marv Strassburger reported the trailer is no longer in our possession, and that our matting is located in a garage off of Maple Ridge Road for at least six months. It was asked if we want to do something for Marv's neighbor for hauling the mats and helping us whenever we need him. Marv estimated mileage to be about 40 miles. A motion was made by Paula Crotteau that we pay Marv's neighbor \$50. Seconded by Sue Webber, motion carried.

**Public Education Coordinator:** Barb Powers explained this person is responsible for setting up an education table at our events and displaying various literature that we get from AKC. Barb Powers is looking for someone to take over this position.

**Public Relations:** President Huesler will contact Marty Greer to get approval for publishing an ad she has regarding pet holiday hazards.

**Raffle:** Items were brought for the kitchen-themed raffle basket and we will also be collecting items at the Christmas party. Marv volunteered to take home the raffle basket items. We'll have another themed basket for January and February.

**Seminar and Programs:** Andi Baltes and Rose Gottung are working on setting up a therapy dog presentation with an evaluator for Therapy Dogs International for the April club meeting. It is anticipated the evaluator will be able to test up to five dogs starting at 6:00 PM.

**Show/Obedience Trials:**

- Our 2020 show weekend is September 5 and 6.
- We will be updating our "Save The Date" card to advertise we will have indoor and outdoor conformation rings, two obedience/rally rings, no entry limits. We will also be putting this on Facebook.
- It was noted there was discussion at the board meeting regarding the possibility of power being available for RV parking. We will not be able to provide power but Marv is checking whether any area businesses rent smaller generators and we can refer people to check out the Council Grounds State Park.

- Trophies: President Huesler brought several metal cut outs/silhouettes that she had done by a guy in the Antigo area. Yvette indicated she sent him profiles of the breeds and he had them done in a week, and they turned out very well. He only charged \$5 for them and if we use them for breed trophies, we could charge \$10 for them. If anyone has a breed that they would like to have done, get a profile to Yvette. Yvette will find out what a larger silhouette would cost.

**Sunshine:** Karen Strassburger reported she sent a card to Andi Baltes (surgery).

**Website:** President Huesler noted that Dennis Kruzan will have the new website up in about two to three weeks.

**Membership Applications:** The second reading of the membership application for Ester van Langen was given by Barb Powers. Voting by written ballot was held and we welcome Ester to the club.

#### **Unfinished Business:**

- Election of Officers and Board Members: President Huesler declared a unanimous ballot. The new officers and board members for 2020 are: Yvette Huesler—President, Marv Strassburger—Vice President, Barb Powers—Treasurer, Rose Gottung—Recording Secretary, Sue Webber—Corresponding Secretary, and Board of Directors—Gary Jakobi, John Crotteau, Mark McDonald and Karen Strassburger.
- Credit Card for Cash Back: Barb Powers reported she will be visiting the bank's office, as we will also need new signature cards with the change in officers.
- State 4-H Dog Show: Sharon Jagodzinski reported that the state 4-H leaders met and they have formed a charter. The Marathon County 4-H had planned to put in an application to host the 2021 show in Wausau; Sharon noted however, that there is a very strong representation in the southern part of the state and they really want to keep the shows close to them. Sharon will keep us posted.

#### **New Business:**

- Club Meeting on December 18: Since we traditionally have a very short meeting as part of our Christmas Party, we will do so again on December 14. Yvette will let Willow Springs know that we will not have a meeting on December 18.
- Date of January Board Meeting: Since the first Wednesday of the month is January 1, we will reschedule the board meeting to January 8. Rose will let Papillon's know.

Thanks to Wendy Jones for bringing treats to the meeting. Allison Jagodzinski volunteered to bring treats to the January meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:24 PM.

Submitted by: Rose Gottung

*Members are invited to attend board meetings and any committee meetings.*