

## **PAPER CITIES KENNEL CLUB MEETING**

### **October 16, 2019**

The meeting was called to order by President Yvette Huesler, at 7:12 PM, at Willow Springs Garden.

Roll call was taken.

Introduction of Guests: Sharon Jagodzinski and daughter Allison, Emily Ross and Ester van Langen.

The minutes for the September 18, 2019 club meeting were read by Rose Gottung, and accepted as read.

The minutes for the August 21, 2019 club meeting were accepted as published, and read at the September 18 club meeting.

**President's Report:** President Huesler expressed thanks to Marv Strassburger for running the last meeting.

**Question of the Month:** President Huesler asked of those in attendance, if there is something silly that your dog does when you come home?

**Treasurer's Report:**

Receipts -- \$306.22; Disbursements -- \$719.71; Total -- \$22,970.54

Raffle -- \$4,922.09

**Corresponding Secretary's Report:** No report.

**Committees:**

***Awards:*** Karen Strassburger reported the committee will be getting together to go over the application. Titles must be earned by October 31 to be eligible for awards this year, and proof of those earned must be submitted to Karen Strassburger.

***Barn Hunt:*** Everything for the trials this past August has been finished up.

***Canine Ambassadors:*** President Huesler expressed thanks to those club members who went to the North Central Health Care Center in August for their employee appreciation day. It was noted that if any club member participates in any visit as a member of PCKC, you must let the club know to make sure you are covered under the club's insurance.

***Donations:*** No report.

***Education/Training:*** It was asked if there has been any interest in training programs. President Huesler said there is, but she just doesn't have time to do an eight-week program. John Crotteau offered to help.

***Historian:*** None. Any volunteers? President Huesler suggested we possibly upload the information to our website.

***Legislative Liaison:*** President Huesler reported that members should sign up to receive the AKC legislative alerts.

***Mall Demo:*** Marv Strassburger reported the Wausau Center was sold to a non-profit group, but nothing is official as to what is going to happen to it yet.

**Match:** We have an obedience/rally correction match set for Saturday, December 7, to be held at Camp Bandy. Rose Gottung reported she will be finalizing a flyer.

**Membership:** Barb Powers reported she is waiting for dues to come in, and that we have a few membership readings tonight. Barb also reported the club really needs to review our membership application.

**Party Animals:** Andi Baltes reported she would like to go over dates for the holiday party. It was the consensus that we should move it to a Saturday, and December 14 and December 28 were suggested. Andi also reported we should think about a date for the Awards dinner.

**Property:** Marv Strassburger reported this Saturday, October 19, we will be moving the trailer from their property to our storage unit located on the west side of Highway K, just south of Merrill. The plan is to unload everything that is in the trailer into the storage unit. A tentative time is between 10 and 11 AM, but watch for emails. It was asked if we need shelving for the storage unit. There was discussion about purchasing a trailer, and that perhaps we should go with a 7'x14' size, to fit the 12' long barn hunt poles; the pricing is only \$200 more. Barb Powers asked if someone could inventory what we have in the trailer during the unloading. It was asked if we have an idea what the trailer is worth; Marv noted he thought it is worth about \$2,000. The trailer is about 25 years old. Marv will get some trailer details to Rose so she can send out a trailer ad to the membership.

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

**Public Relations:** Nothing to report.

**Raffle:** Paula Crotteau reported that all her thank you notes for raffle donators are out. Paula noted we need to decide on a cause for next year's raffle. Sue Wiesneske commented she will get more information on another veterans' program. President Huesler commented that at the board meeting it was suggested we come up with some theme baskets, and if everyone contributes just one item, we can come up with some really nice baskets, and then it's not so expensive for just one member. The consensus was we do a kitchen-theme basket for November. We will ask someone to volunteer to hold onto the basket or items until the next show. The next theme basket will be for the month of January.

**Seminar and Programs:** Andi Baltes and Rose Gottung are working on a therapy dog presentation with an evaluator for Therapy Dogs International, and based on her schedule we will probably have this in March or April.

**Show/Obedience Trials:**

- Jerry Sulewski wants to schedule a judges' selection committee meeting for next Wednesday, October 23. We need to confirm a time with Jerry and pick a place—either Hardees on Stewart Avenue or Papillon's.
- Trophies: President Huesler reported she found a guy in the Antigo area that is doing metal cut outs/silhouettes. Yvette said she sent him profiles of some breeds and he had them done in a week.
- Barb Powers reported she sent an email to Roy Jones about a miscalculation of \$180.

**Sunshine:** Karen Strassburger reported she would have sent a card to Brenda Blume (surgery) but she can't write right now so she sent Brenda a message instead.

**Website:** Barb Powers gave an update on the money side of things for the revamped website. It is about \$225 for the domain and protection plan for two years. Dennis Kruzan is working with Sue Webber to transfer the domain.

**Membership Applications:** The second readings of the membership applications for Emily Ross and Sharon Jagodzinski and her daughter Allison, were given by Barb Powers. Voting by written

ballot was held and we welcome Emily, Sharon and Allison to the club. The first reading for Ester van Langen was also given by Barb Powers.

### **Unfinished Business:**

- Nominations: President Huesler reported the slate of candidates presented by the nominating committee to fill the board positions coming up for election is: President—Yvette Huesler, Vice President—Marv Strassburger, Treasurer—Barb Powers, Recording Secretary—Rose Gottung, Corresponding Secretary—Sue Webber, Board of Directors (three positions)—Gary Jakobi, John Crotteau and Mark McDonald. President Huesler went through each position individually and there were no nominations from the floor. President Huesler also reported that Karen Strassburger was appointed by the board to fill a vacancy through the remainder of this year, but then we need to fill this position for a one-year term. John Crotteau nominated Karen Strassburger and she accepted the nomination. Hearing no other nominations from the floor, Todd Orthmann asked that nominations be closed, and President Huesler so closed the nominations.
- State 4H Dog Show: Sharon Jagodzinski reported that the Marathon County 4H is considering throwing their name into the hat to host the State 4H Dog Show in 2021. They would be looking to our club for guidance and support in setting up the shows, and in the way of providing stewards and judges, and possibly matting and ring gating. Rally and obedience trials would be scheduled on Saturday and showmanship on Sunday. Agility trials would be held on a separate weekend. The state is hoping to charter the group so there is more financial support. The 4H will come up with a couple of weekend dates to determine whether the venue, possibly Marathon Park, is available; and they will provide us with a list of specifics.

### **New Business:**

- Credit Card for Cash Back: Barb Powers will be checking into this.
- Free Webinar Tomorrow, October 17, on Canine Degenerative Myelopathy: President Huesler reported she can send the link to anyone that is interested. Yvette said this disease stops the dog's brain from telling their back end what to do. There is no pain, but there is no cure.
- Andi Baltes mentioned that Lomira is offering a seminar on breeding, whelping, etc.
- President Huesler brought up for discussion that if we have members that do not come to our meetings, that we ask them to please voluntarily switch their membership to an associate member, especially since we have been having problems getting a quorum.
- President Huesler asked that we come up with some suggestions for more enjoyable, beneficial meetings.

Thanks to Andi Baltes for bringing treats to the meeting. Wendy Jones volunteered to bring treats to the November meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:07 PM.

Submitted by: Rose Gottung

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