

# PAPER CITIES KENNEL CLUB BOARD MEETING

## January 3, 2024

Board Members Present: Sarah Beaumont, John Crotteau, Rose Gottung, Sharon Jagodzinski, Gary Jakobi, Barb Powers, Marvin Strassburger, Sue Webber, and Sue Wiesneske

Board Members Absent: Andi Baltes

Guests: Cherilyn Hoerman, Barb Jakobi, Karen Strassburger, and Jill Zamowski

Noting that a quorum was present, President Marvin Strassburger called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM, at Papillon's in the Rothschild Shopko Plaza.

The minutes for the November 1, 2023, board meeting were read by Rose Gottung, and stand as read.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

Receipts -- \$32.22; Disbursements -- \$194.00; Balance -- \$14,099.79;

Raffle -- \$3,669.75

### **Committee Reports:**

**Awards:** Karen Strassburger reported that as far as she knows, all awards have been turned into her.

**Canine Ambassadors:** Sue Wiesneske reported she will be reaching out to schools to schedule presentations of our Bite Prevention Program. Sarah Beaumont will talk to the principal at St. Anne's and find out which grades they want us to present to.

**Donations:** Rose Gottung reported she contacted the Wausau Times/Buyer's Guide regarding the Press Release she sent them about our donation to Gunnar's Wheels Foundation.

**Education/Training:** No report.

**Fast CAT Events:** – June 15 and 16, 2024

Rose Gottung reported she still has not received a contract from Don Adams, nor has he responded to any of her emails or text, but she did get through to him via phone on December 6, and Don said he will get a contract to us, but nothing yet.

**Historian:** No report.

**Legislative Liaison:** No report.

**Match:** Rose Gottung reported that an Obedience/Rally Correction Match was being planned for January at Camp Bandy, but due to the canine mystery virus a decision was made to postpone it for now.

**Meet The Breeds:** Nothing to report.

**Membership:** Barb Powers reported that she contacted Joan Klawitter, and she is not going to renew her membership now, but Joan said the club should accept the money she paid as a donation. Barb also reported that Julie DeSantis has moved to North Carolina.

**Parliamentarian:** Nothing to report.

**Party Animals:** Our Christmas/Holiday Party was held on December 6, at Bunkers Bar & Grill, and we had a good turn-out. A date for our Awards Dinner is not yet set.

**Property:** Nothing to report.

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

**Public Relations:** Rose will make a flyer for our Fast CAT weekend, and we will get it posted at all the training buildings, clubs, and area humane societies. We will also make more use of social media.

**Raffle:** No report.

**Seminar and Program Committee:** No report.

**Show and Obedience/Rally Trials: 2024 Weekend is September 7 and 8, 2024.**

- Cherilyn reported that judges have been requesting a higher per diem for meals, so Cherilyn has updated the amount.
- Cherilyn reported that we have not raised entry fees for several years, and she suggested we consider raising them. After further discussion, a motion was made by John Crotteau that we raise our entry fees for our 2024 show weekend to \$32 per dog, and second entries per dog to \$28. Seconded by Gary Jakobi; motion carried.
- Club member Jill Zamowski, with Borzois, presented a proposal that the club consider and approve a Midwest Borzoi Club Trophy Supported Entry on Saturday, September 7, and a Borzoi Club of America Trophy Supported Entry on Sunday, September 8, in partnership with our 2024 shows. Jill noted this could attract 24 to 32 borzois to our shows, and she explained what they are requesting of our club and what the two clubs will provide. Jill noted that it's too late for this year, but the Borzoi clubs do have a list of judges that they recommend. The two clubs need a Letter of Invitation from us by March 1. After more discussion regarding the potential benefits to our club, a motion was made by Sue Webber that we approve the proposal. Seconded by Sarah Beaumont; motion carried. Sarah will send the clubs our Letter of Invitation.

**Sunshine:** Karen Strassburger reported that since the last meeting, she sent cards to: Brenda Blume (loss of dog), Deb Raatz (surgery), and to Yvette Huesler (surgery).

**Website:** Nothing to report.

#### **Unfinished Business:**

- Code of Ethics / ByLaw Changes for Meetings: The Bylaws Committee will be meeting to make proposed changes to our Code of Ethics and ByLaws.

#### **New Business:**

- President Strassburger reported that AKC is proposing to require that email addresses of owners/exhibitors be included in event catalogs. Members should contact their delegates to express concern/objection.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:38 PM.

Submitted by: Rose Gottung