



## **Anoka County Minnesota Kennel Club**

### **Meeting Minutes**

**October 21, 2015**

**Meeting to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm by Gloria Zopfi, President.

**Attendance:** Lisa Dankert, Sarah Peterson, Lynda Peterson, Gloria Zopfi, Theresa Schwarten, Nancy Cameron, Cathy Bosnic, Karen Godfrey, Jim and Kathy Billman, Barb Stoffel, Tim and Robbie Hiltz, Randy Bebeau, Carolyn Kraskey, Laurie Hanson

**Guest:** Jay and Freya Peterson

**Place:** Ramsey Fire Station

### **Braggs:**

- Barb Stoffel's Perry took BOB at Wright County for 4 pt. major. He received first leg in rally at our trial and other 2 legs at TCOTC for his RN title. He also has one litter on the ground-3 girls.
- Karen Godfrey's Ellie took WB and BOS at Wright County, and Gretchen graduated from puppy kindergarten.
- Lynda Peterson's dog Winter went WD/BOS at Wright County.
- Also at Wright County, Nancy Cameron's Obie took BOB and group 2 at the match.
- Tim and Robbie Hiltz's Am. Staff, Ryder earned his Rat Dog Novice.
- Joy Peterson won first place in juniors, she is in novice junior.
- Randy and Peggy Bebeau's Skittle got group 3 on Sat.

- Lisa Dankert's Ziva got BOS and select.
- Kathy and Jim Billman's Granddaughter is crawling.

**Secretary's Report:** The September Minutes were distributed and read. Randy Bebeau made a motion to accept the minutes, with the following corrections: please incorrectly spelled, members only answer was yes; red-white-blue flag for website colors was no. Tim Hiltz seconded the motion, motion passed.

**Treasurer's Report:** We have a total monetary value of \$59,728.68 with \$4,150.94 in checking and \$55,577.74 in savings. We received a check for \$14,500 from the cluster which is not reflected in the report. Carolyn Kraskey made a motion to accept the treasurer's report as presented, Kathy Billman accepted the motion, motion passed.

**Membership:** First reading conducted for Anita Cholewa. She has Basenji's and is interested in performance.

**Sunshine:** A card was sent to Deb Schmoyer and Jim Billman for Surgery.

**Cluster:** Everything is moving forward. Next meeting will be triggered by receipt of premium list. Will have different photographer.

**Obedience:** We lost over \$500 on the obedience trial. We are open to ideas on how to make it more cost effective.

- Idea was presented to have back to back obedience/rally trials on Friday, and then have an agility trial Saturday and Sunday.
- We would need to get sanctioned in agility by holding 2 matches, possibly doing the first one after our obedience trial on Saturday in 2016.
- Committee was formed to look into this further: Laurie Hanson, Gloria Zopfi, and Kathy Billman volunteered.

**Events:** The annual banquet will be held at Dehn's Country Manor on January 30<sup>th</sup>, 2016. Social hour will be start at 6:00 followed by dinner at 7:00. Details to follow.

**Charitable Donations:** At the board meeting, the wealth from the cluster was discussed to pay off the trailer earlier than originally planned. The first installment on the trailer was made in 2015. It was discussed that the charitable donation amount be increased to \$8000 for 2016 so \$5000 will go to the trailer, and the other \$3000 to Toys for Joy, Hope 4 Youth, and 4-H. This leaves \$5000 balance on trailer for 2017. Randy Bebeau would like to have access to funds sooner for Toys for Joy (\$1500) so they can be presented at initial seasonal kick-off.

**Scholarship:** There is one scholarship to pay out yet this year as that recipient joined the service and will resume classes in January.

**Program Committee:** Cathy Bosnic volunteered to chair the committee. Gloria Zopfi will provide list created at the last meeting on program ideas.

**Website:** Goal is to have the website up next week. The mission statement has been condensed and approved by the board as follows: "We are an AKC club, which works toward the betterment of purebred and companion dogs through a variety of competitive events, training, and promotion of the health and safety of dogs throughout the area." We need some pictures from the solstice. May be able to present it to the club next month. Someone has offered to pay for the fee (\$109) as a donation to the club.

**Nominations:** The nomination committee of Nancy Cameron, Karen Godfrey, and Theresa Schwarten are working on nominations for Vice President, Secretary, and 2 board positions (currently held by Randy Bebeau and Kathy Billman). The nominees will be announced in November. Open nominations will be accepted at December meeting.

**Audit books:** Kathy Billman, Theresa Schwarten, and Nancy Cameron conducted the audit. Everything was accounted for and matches, although ledger is hard to follow. Kathy talked with CPA and asked what was required. If we have Quicken program they don't need much else.

**Bylaws and Standing Rules:** The AKC does not approve bylaws on non-member clubs. They require us to send a copy of the bylaws with the changes clearly notated, a clean copy, the date the bylaws were voted on by the club, the number of members present for the vote, and the percent of the membership that voted. They ask that the Standing Rules not conflict with the bylaws. It was discussed that we eliminate our June meeting due to cluster.

**Open Business:**

**Job Descriptions:** Carolyn Kraskey has most of the job descriptions turned in.

**Trailer:** The trailer was given as a donation and now it is time to let it go. 20 people have volunteered to be trained. Terry Stoltz has our information and will contact people when he is ready. They are still making minor modifications to the trailer and sharing that information with the AKC for future use. It has been on display at multiple places. The committee that was formed has now completed the commission, and can now be disbanded. Thank you very much to Karen Godfrey and Cathy Bosnic who were on the committee. Also thank you to Tim Peterson and Sandy Reitsma for contacting the clubs for fund raising.

**Bev Capstick Seminar:** Would be held the weekend of April 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>. Bev charges \$350 for seminar. It will be held from 10:00 to 3:00 at Tails Up. The rent is \$500 and \$125 for clean-up. There will be 20 hands-on spots both days, and limited to 50 viewers. \$65 for hand-on, \$30 open and will include lunch and pamphlet. Will clear between \$500 and \$700 and proceeds given to the charitable donation committee for distribution. Seminar will be open to club members first and will be considered as an education event.

**Adjourn:** Kathy Billman made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Carolyn Kraskey seconded the motion, motion approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

**Program:** Theresa Schwarten gave a talk about the negative effects of GMO food on our dogs.