

## Anoka County Minnesota Kennel Club General Meeting Minutes October 20, 2021

In Person Attendance: Karen Godfrey, Nikki Owen, Annie Piper

**Zoom Attendance:** Gloria Zopfi, Rob & Laurie Hanson, Nancy Cameron, Jean Hanle,

In Person Board Attendance: Jim & Kathy Billman, Keith Shank,

**Zoom Board Attendance:** Lisa Dankert, Cathy Bosnic, Sandy Reitsma, Lynda Lee

Guest: None

Quorum: Quorum Confirmed

**Meeting to Order:** Meeting called to order at 7:20 pm by Jim Billman, President.

Minute Review: Karen motions to accept the September Minutes as presented, Annie seconds, motion

passes.

President Report: None

**Secretary Report:** Correspondences are distributed to club members as they are received.

Treasurer Report: Statement: \$6184.89 in Checking Account, \$5 in Share Savings, \$81949.88 in Money Market

with total asset of \$88139.77. Online checking account balance as of today is 3651.33. Jim was able to confirm balance. Sandy motions to accept the Treasurer Report as presented,

Gloria seconds, motion passes.

**Committee Reports:** 

Cluster: Cluster committee needs a volunteer for Assistant Chief Ring Steward. Position will be for all 4

days of the show. Question was asked if family members of the Chief Ring Steward and Assistant Ring Steward can show. Karen/Sandy will look up rules and let us know.

Club is receiving \$18,500 for the show. Committee thanked everyone. We maintained good

numbers. Entry fees were raised in September last year and left it for June Show.

**Obedience:** Everything went great. Don't need as many ring stewards with the new procedures. 2 in

novice open, and 3 in utility is enough. No one missed not having food.

**Agility:** Premium list is online xtremk9s.com. Hospitality will be snacks for workers and boxed

lunches. Will have drawing at end of each day. Putting together welcome bags for juniors. Gloria taking care of judges hospitality. We'll also have judges' welcome bag with Minnesota

theme. Trial is December 11 & 12.

**Charitable Donation:** No report. Starting to collect organization names to donate too.

Scholarship Committee: Discussion about increasing the scholarship to \$1500.00. Jean will ask her daughters how

much books cost. Will call for a motion and vote next month. Lisa will send out separate email

about the discussion.

Website: Shawn is updating the website, adding candid pictures from the Solstice, creating Agility link,

Karen sent notice from Purina for Fast CAT, adding updated notes for minutes from meetings. Looking into doing photography for pictures for Agility that will download to the website and will be available for 3 months. Kathy paid Dogweb, domains are covered for 2 years before

payment due.

Annie was asking if there was a conflict posting pictures on the website with a professional photographer. Pictures being posted are candids from club members. No professional

photographer at the agility trial.

Sunshine: No report

Education/Programs: Cathy wanted to see how things are going with meetings before scheduling a program. She

has a feeler out to Underbed Dog Beds. Bill is still recovering from motorcycle accident and

not ready to give a program

**Banquet:** Greenhaven is booked on January 29, 2022, for our banquet. Chicken and Steak entre.

Question asked if club is paying for appetizer and 2 drinks or subsidize dinners-Board will discuss. Maybe play games instead of auction. Discussion about the club giving gifts, Gloria

will forward information to board.

Standings Rules Committee: No report

Job Description Book: No report

Dog Subsidy Program: Laurie sent email to vets reminding them that we will need a report. So far, Dr Morgan used

the funds for x-ray, and allergy shots. Dr Carlos spent \$600, Dr Audrey said she has used some. Committee has been discussing expanding to include members vet outside Anoka

county-criteria would be a club relationship with the vet, ie solstice vet.

Nomination Committee: Committee has been talking. No one has volunteered for secretary. Committee will call to get

volunteers.

**Membership:** Second Reading: Joe and Susan Gergely, Lynda Lee and Lisa sponsor. They are previous

members who forgot to renew. Live in Ramsey. Have Irish Wolfhounds.

First Readings: Cathy and Amelia Greninger, from Buffalo. Have Golden Retriever, Belgian Malinois. They are hard workers, will help run in Agility. Sponsors are Laurie and Gloria.

Pamala Belz; member who lapsed and reapplying. She has Australian Shepherds; sponsors are

Nikki and Keith.

Karen motioned to accept Joe and Susan Gergely as members, Kathy seconded, motion

passes.

Unfinished Business:

**Assistant to Secretary:** Still looking for volunteer for Assistant to the Secretary position. Let Lisa know.

Meet the Club Program: AKC has program that will send mailings out to anyone who own dogs in Anoka County to

help advertise a meet the club event. Cambridge did this and gained new members.

Club use to have a booth at the County Fair. We had dogs, gave demos on grooming and

brushing teeth, etc.

Nikki would be interested in leading this endeavor. Gloria volunteered to help teach what we did in the past. Laurie would come help with demos. Karen offered to have Jeep do demos.

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Gloria motioned to create a committee to look into creating a meet the club event, Kathy seconds, motion passes.

New Business: Meeting Options:

Blended seems to be the compromise going forward. We could get wireless mics to help with the hard of hearing issue for those who are attending the meetings remotely. Nikki will speak with Ramsey to resolve communication issues. Karen does blended meeting at Ramsey, and they purchased microphones, first step is to talk with the staff. Mics cost \$40 to \$80.

Discussion on keeping things clean, also low attendance.

Will be doing blended next month.

Andover City Code:

Andover passed new code; issue started because a number of families with chickens added roosters and noise complaints were issued. City staff's solution is adding a nuisance clause that residents could complain about any noise that would be a nuisance. Nuisance is undefined and left up to the city official for interpretation. Carries a misdemeanor if ticket is issued. Karen has asked that this be adjusted as it is flawed. Another clause is already in place which defines nuisance barking. Hopefully law officials will use this definition and save the other just for roosters.

Feedback from members is that the new ordinance is too broad.

Mpls ordinance has language worth looking into. It talks about reasonable opinion.

Adjourn

Nikki motions to adjourn the meeting, Annie seconds, motion passes. Meeting adjourned at 8:37 pm.

Braggs:

Karen: KCA National 2020 & 2021 Karen had 10 Kees there, 9 of 10 came back with some kind of award Lilac - 12+ Veteran Bitch - 1st 2020 & 2021, Whiskee - Maturity Sr. Bitch - 1st, Venture - Maturity Sr. Dog - 4th, Beau - 12+ Veteran Dog - 2nd. Beau & Jeep Rally Pairs - Qualified and 2nd, Jeep - Rally Advance - Qualified. Obedience Advanced - Qualified & 3rd. Rally Novice Team Qualified & 4th. Trek - Obedience Beginner Novice - Qualified & 1st. Quazar earned his B Cat, Jeep has 10 trick dog titles.

Jim: Dart won 10 to 12 class both days. Rainy second in maturity class. Dart loved being in the ring.

Nancy: Rochester: Enys won BOB/OHBOB, OH group 1, and OH group 2. At National Haley won 6 to 9 class, Wally won his veteran class, Enys made cut on Saturday. In Huntley Illinois, Enys won the specialty on Sunday. Lawrence: Riddle won BOB/OHBOB both days, OH group 2 both days.

Respectively Submitted, Lisa Dankert ACMKC Secretary