

Clinton County Canine Club Membership Meeting Minutes: January 16, 2019

Members Present: Roxanne Vincent, Linda LaPier, Karen McCarty, Vicki Siskavich, Bob Heins, Scarlett McBride, Rebecca Shuman

The meeting was called to order by R. Vincent at 4:42 pm.

Motion to dispense with the reading of December's meeting minutes made by B. Heins. Seconded by L. LaPier. All in favor, motion carried.

Officers' Reports:

President's Report: Discussion of making a donation to Elmore SPCA in honor of Comfort Inn (Manager Kevin Rock). Motion made by B. Heins to donate \$150 to Elmore SPCA in honor of the Comfort Inn for facilitating our monthly canine club meetings. Seconded by S. McBride. All in favor motion carried. B. Heins gave K. McCarty Kevin Rock's business card for the donation.

Vice President's Report: No report

Secretary's Report: No report

Treasurer's Report:

Income: \$1505.00 Expenses: \$2541.54 (UNO Dessert, coffee, Guest dinner & Tip; Storage container rental; D, Meunier Clickers & class supplies; Z. Porter 1st disbursement scholarship; North Country Squares Winter Session Rent; Agility Barn Porta Potty Rental; A. Schiffler – Mat Clean Up ½; January Service Charge; E. Zielinski 2nd disbursement scholarship)

Checking Balance January 14, 2019 - \$15148.59

Savings Account Balance \$14,849.13 + interest

Agility Summary:

Total Income \$985

Total Expenses \$903

Balance \$83

Committee Reports:

Agility: C. Wilson (Update provided by V. Siskavich) – The winter season wrapped on December 15, 2018. Equipment was moved directly after the final class to the LaPier storage unit. Thank you very much to Linda and Rodney LaPier, Charlie Bubbins, Linda McGovern, Roxanne Vincent for loading and moving equipment. A report was received from Karen McCarty regarding financials of the season, in which we ended ahead.

Family Dog Training Committee: D. Meunier – No report

Inventory: G. Sherman – No report

Event Coordinator/Social Media: A. Schiffler (Update provided by V. Siskavich) – No report for social media or events.

However, I know it was discussed at the last meeting about getting a new vacuum for when we do the mats. There are currently two in the basement and neither pick anything up. We have been bringing our own, but we are hoping that there will be a new one purchased. We would also like to suggest that the new one be cordless.

Red vacuum works according to R. LaPier. R. Vincent to follow up with A. Schiffler.

POSTMEETING UPDATE: A new vacuum cleaner has been purchased and dropped off to the North Country Squares Building per R. Vincent.

Scholarship: R. Shuman – R. Shuman is on the scholarship committee and getting everything to start scholarship process in February.

Welcome: J. Puhalla– Welcome packets were mailed out to the following provisional members: S. & C. Blanchard; R. & N. Liotta; M. Herbert; B. & B. Phaneuf.

POSTMEETING NOTE: V. Siskavich to send more club decals to J. Puhalla.

Website: H. & T. Morales – (Update provided by R. Vincent) – Added rally information to the website. Australian Shephard club does something a bit different for rally.

Outreach: J. Quay – (Update provided by V. Siskavich) – For the Outreach committee, the only info is that I presented to the CVES Animal Science classes with Addy and Lizzy, my Goldens. It was a great time. Thanks to Wendy Annette for facilitating and supporting.

No other requests are pending beside the standing requests from CVPH, Third Age and ARC.

Review of Provisional Member Applications: One provisional membership reviewed for month of January:

Tedi & Jacob Bourg

Motion to accept provisional members made by L. LaPier. Seconded by B. Heins. All in favor, motion carried.

Old Business:

CVTEC Visits w/ Erin Meyer's Class – J. Quay (Update provided by V. Siskavich) – On January 10, 2019 Lizzy, Addy (our Golden Retrievers) and I presented Therapy Dog International information and therapy dog opportunities to the AM and PM CVES Animal Science classes. Erin Meyers, the classroom teacher should be commended for reaching out to CCCC to share information with her students. She was welcoming and supportive during the presentation. It was a snow day for a couple of the districts, but the students who were there that day were attentive and enjoyed giving Addy and Lizzy lots of love and attention. I showed the TDI video from YouTube, and developed a PowerPoint that covered training required, TDI testing elements with a few pictures, and the benefits and requirements of TDI teams. I included some pictures of my therapy dog experiences with Addy and Lizzy at different locations. We also reviewed the differences between therapy dogs, service dogs and emotional support pets. TDI sent me some informational brochures to share with the students for their portfolios, or to share with anyone who might be interested in therapy dog experiences. Lizzy and Addy enjoyed their time in the classroom interacting with the students and getting in lots of sniffs from the animals that had been in the room before them. Because of their temperament and behavior, Ms. Meyers may invite the girls back in the fall for the new students to gain experience grooming and handling calm and behaved dogs.

I encourage other CCCC members to speak with the students in the Animal Science classes at CVES. Many thanks to Wendy Annette for facilitating and supporting this experience for me and our furies.

I'd be happy to speak with anyone who has questions and to share my PowerPoint.

Tick Presentation – Changed to April 13th at CVPH at 6PM. Melissa couldn't make it on the original scheduled date.

New Business:

PayPal – R. Vincent sent emails and links for each board member to go through, to look at them and study them and get everyone on the same page and we will discuss further at the February meeting. Reason to pursue again is more people are using PayPal and L. McGovern is taking over the membership and would like to attach to the membership renewals.

As a business account, PayPal will accept the P.O. Box for an address. Payment sheet – fees are taken out of PayPal account. B. Heins and K. McCarty gave thorough arguments against the use of PayPal. R. Shuman pointed out that perhaps the demographics of the club do not lean towards going completely digital for renewals but to provide it as an option makes sense. R. Vincent to follow back up with PayPal in regard to having to have Mastercard or Visa for use of an account.

There is a separate issue concerning the use of PayPal and increase in class fees to offset the use of PayPal. This is a separate issue and is to be discussed at a later date. Decision made to table for further discussion at the February meeting.

POST MEETING NOTE: R. Vincent dug further and actually enclose information sent to her from PayPal. As you read, because of the Privacy Act, The person managing the account has to provide their SSN. Since this is a problem with the treasurer and possibly with the new treasurer, I am dropping the idea of PayPal for now.

“Thank you for contacting Customer Support, my name is Melanie and I am happy to assist you with your email inquiry. I apologize for any confusion that this issue has caused you.

When you create an account for a Non-Profit you will need to sign up as requesting a Business account. Where it asks for Legal First and Last Name is where you will list the individual person that will be managing the PayPal account, and the Business Name is where you will list the Organizations name. Due to the Patriot Act we are required to verify the identity of all Business account holders with their name, address, date of birth and SSN. You will still list the organizations EIN for tax purposes. Usually you can withdraw the funds when they are posted to your account balance, on some occasions there may be a 24-72 hour hold time for transfers to be done. The address does not need to be a physical address to be able to transfer funds to a bank account. If you have any questions or concerns, please call us at 888-221-1161.”

Meeting adjourned at 5:25pm. Motion to adjourn meeting by B. Heins. Seconded by L. LaPier. All in favor, motion carried.

Next meeting: January Membership Meeting – Wednesday February 20th, 2019 ay Comfort Inn at 4:30PM.