

Clinton County Canine Club Membership Meeting Minutes: March 21, 2018

Members Present: Roxanne Vincent, Lori Moffa, Vicki Siskavich, Karen McCarty, Donna Pepin, Rodney LaPier, Linda LaPier

The meeting was called to order by President R. Vincent at 4:30 pm.

Motion to dispense with the reading of February's meeting minutes made by R. LaPier. Seconded by D. Pepin. All in favor, motion carried.

Officers' Reports:

President's Report: No report

Vice President's Report: No report

Secretary's Report: Email inquiry from M. Brown to be added to Facebook page so she could add material. K. McCarty to contact her and tell her that anyone can post to the Facebook page and if she wants to be an admin then she would give her the contact information to contact the current admins to the Facebook page.

Treasurer's Report:

Income: \$146.00 Expenses: \$104.60 (D. Meunier – AKC CGC Evaluation Forms; Storage Container Rental; March Monthly Service Charge)

Checking Balance March 18, 2018 - \$12221.18

Additional Checking Balance \$98.00

Savings Account Balance \$14,796.72 + interest

Service charge for mailing monthly bank statements is \$2 for each checking account. Second checking account closed but not soon enough to avoid the \$2 monthly service charge. Only one checking account now.

Committee Reports:

Agility: C. Wilson – No report

Building: L. Moffa – No report

Family Dog Training Committee: D. Meunier – (Update provided by V. Siskavich) Our winter session of classes ended earlier this month with John & Wendy's typically fun AKC STAR Puppy graduation class last week and make up CGC evaluations which Daniel conducted the prior week. We were fortunate that, despite the recent snow falls, only a couple of classes has to be re-scheduled due to weather this year.

Registration for our Spring session of classes is still underway... Though the basic, adolescent & intermediate classes quickly filled, as did Rally Novice class, as of this writing there are still several spots available in many of the other classes including the Puppy class... which is a surprising turn of events given the popularity of that class. As spots are still available, registration for those classes will remain open.

The combined Family Pet Training and Competition committees would like to thank all who so kindly offered and agreed to teach our forthcoming session of classes and would like to encourage others to contact us if you have ideas for classes you'd like to teach...

We'd also like to encourage members to help us out and volunteer to assist with classes. In many instances, experience is not necessary and may simply involve helping set up equipment... in other cases, instructors will be happy to guide you. Undoubtedly, you will have the opportunity to learn skills which further your own approach to teaching your dog.

As always, we need the help of our members to assist with our classes.

If you can help, and we hope you can, please contact Daniel at trailhuskies@gmail.com

Inventory: G. Sherman – No report

Scholarship: M. Hamelin/V. Bechard (Update provided by R. Vincent)–Received two applications as of this date and the application deadline is on May 1st.

Welcome: J. Puhalla– No report.

Review of Provisional Member Applications: A. Schiffler & D. Wackowski and K. Lagree submitted provisional membership applications. Motion to approve provisional members made by L. Moffa. Seconded by R. LaPier. All in favor, motion carried.

Social Media Presentation– L. Denyer – No report

Website: N. Fernandez – No report. R. Vincent to sit with N. Fernandez and finalize website to include more dogs. R Vincent wants to get tdi, service dog and therapy dog descriptions on the website.

Old Business:

Open House (V. Bechard/M. Hamelin) – (Update provided by V. Siskavich) - V. Bechard made contact with Dick Crawford to reserve the Square Buildings and the area outside for 6/3/18. Price for day is \$45.00. Save the date posted with volunteers to contact me. 2 people responded. Our committee had meeting to start planning. We need everyone who is interested in a demo, whether it is Obedience, Rally, Agility, Conformation, Scentwork, Therapy, CGC, or Reading to please contact me at vbechard23@gmail.com so we can plan the schedule. Typically we schedule it from 11 to 1, possibly 2 pm, depending on demos. Open House will only work if we all contribute.

Nominating Committee (V. Bechard) (Update provided by V. Siskavich) - We have contacted members in regards to filling positions. Responses I received were all NO! A letter has been drafted & is going out to membership. Letter is asking for all interested parties to please contact our committee members.

K. McCarty had one person interested in perhaps being a board member and they were unable to make the March meeting but will try to attend next month. L. McGovern has agreed to take on the membership renewal activities. K. McCarty is willing to help out for a brief transition when the new treasurer takes over. However there is some concern that there will be no volunteers. If the nominating committee can't find anyone, L. LaPier indicated she would run for Vice President.

Treasurer Audit: B. Heins, L. Lapier and J. Quay will be the audit committee. L. LaPier received some information from J. Quay and will contact BOTC to see if they have an audit checklist that could be modified rather than creating one from scratch.

Decals: Sample decals were looked at and a second set of proofs did not arrive prior to March meeting. V. Siskavich to look at pricing for clear clings and clear decals and try to get proofs in time for April meeting. Hoping to be able to order some for the June Open House.

Therapy Dogs –J. Quay volunteered to send out the emails for therapy dogs. She will now be heading the OUTREACH Committee that has been vacant for quite some time.

New business:

April 11th National Pet Day: R. Vincent to contact L. Denyer and D. Kreider to put something on Facebook and social media.

Open House – Scheduled for June 3rd

June Membership Meeting – Date reserved for Tuesday June 19th at Uno's. More details to follow.

Open Floor Time – L. Moffa inquired about what happens about being the first person at the Squares Building. This discussion was directed over to the Family Pet Dog Training Committee and it was discussed about that their scheduling meeting. They felt that they they could train their dogs without anyone else there and that would be acceptable.

Membership Renewal Form Changes – K. McCarty inquired if any changes were necessary on the membership renewal forms. DO we leave therapy dog off, for example. Everybody to look at and discuss at the next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 5:24pm. Motion to adjourn meeting by R. LaPier. Seconded by L. Moffa. All in favor, motion carried.

Next meeting: Board Meeting – Wednesday, April 18th 4:30pm at Comfort Inn in Plattsburgh