

BUTLER COUNTY KENNEL CLUB, INC.
GENERAL MEETING
Tuesday March 6th, 2018
Butler YMCA, Butler PA

MINUTES

Roll Call

The General meeting was called to order at 7:09 PM by the President, Sue Chapin.

A motion to accept the minutes of the February General Meeting as read by the Secretary was made by Marty Kroll and seconded by Ross Chapin. The motion passed and the minutes were approved.

Report of the President. Sue Chapin discussed correspondence regarding AKC Scent Work and that our club could get approval to hold a future event. She advised members that AKC has sent out a “phishing” alert and to be aware if you should receive communications requesting a reply. She stated that the St Clairsville show announcement is offering Lure & Duck Diving events. Marty Kroll offered that we might offer Barn Hunts at our future events. Finally Sue discussed the AKC Education Summit for All-Breed & Parent Clubs to be held in New Jersey and stated if anyone wished to attend this year, let her know.

Report of the Secretary. Reba Namachar discussed correspondence regarding AKC At-Home Agility Training Made Easy, and correspondence regarding a breeder seminar sponsored by the Westmoreland County Obedience Training Club, which she passed out to members in attendance. She then discussed the AKC Outstanding Sportsmanship Award for 2018 and passed out ballots for nomination for this year’s awardee. Ballots were collected by the Secretary and announcement and presentation of the award will be held either in the month of April or May. Finally she added that she has sent a Get Well card from the club to Mick McCormick.

Report of the Treasurer – The Treasurer, Ross Chapin, reported as of March 6, 2018 a Checking Balance of \$26,179.52. Wells Fargo of \$36,324.42 and Hefren-Tillotson of \$36,216.57. A residual (after devaluation) of \$500.00 for the club’s trailer has previously been determined. Final total of all financial assets as of this report: \$99,220.51. A copy of the treasurer’s report will be filed with the Secretary’s minutes.

Report of Committees -

2018 Show Report – Since Show Chairman, Jean Kroll was absent due to illness, Marty Kroll presented her report on upcoming show status and activities. Marty reported that the club’s Event Application has been submitted to AKC. Sue Chapin stated that she is still working on the possibility of holding a CAT event at the show, however, no events are possible on Friday morning. Marty stated that Judy Withee will most likely not be our Chief Ring Steward again this year. He believes that Judy may suggest a Chief Ring Steward and staff, but if that does not happen, Marty stated that he would be willing to once more be our Chief Ring Steward. Regarding committees, Reba Namachar will have the list available at the April meeting for sign up of duties. There was some general discussion and announcement of some of the show committees; Trophies & Club Table will once again be Edna Morris and Deb Pfeifer, the Gate will be managed by James Miller-Marquez, RV & Parking will be managed by John Namachar & James Miller-Marquez, Announcer will be Sue Chapin, Advertising will be Gary Nestor, Safety management will be Clint Graham, Steward assignments will be handled by Marty Kroll in the absence of Judy Withee, and Steward Site preparation will be Kathie McCormick. Regarding Hospitality, this will be the final year that Reba Namachar will be able to physically handle show hospitality and she reminded everyone that she will not be in attendance on Saturday. If no one volunteers to manage this year’s hospitality, Reba recommended her daughter Theresa (who she reminded is not a member of the club), for a nominal fee. Sue Chapin asked that we table further discussion until the next meeting. Gary Nestor will place show advertisement on the cable channel and the Butler Eagle and will need input for the flyer handouts no later than July. Altha Graham asked if we had an Emergency Plan on file at the Fairgrounds and AKC, and would like a Safety outline for our show. Marty Kroll stated that he understands that we have a plan with the Fairgrounds and that we only need to advise AKC that we have a plan on file. Reba Namachar

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shall check with AKC on a Safety outline and will get back to Altha. Regarding the scheduling of the cleanout of the show trailer, Sue Chapin advised that the Fairgrounds does not pull our trailer from storage until late April or May. She will contact the Fairgrounds to coordinate a date and time that we can access our trailer and will advise the Secretary who will notify club members. Jean Kroll prepared and submitted our club ad for inclusion in the BDTA Spring Trial Catalog. Finally, Reba Namachar brought forth for discussion the club purchasing one or two large signs for our club table. A motion to have Jean Kroll purchase the signs was made by John Namachar and seconded by Gary Nestor, who withdrew his second to the motion after further discussion indicated that this needs to be addressed directly to Jean who can then offer an estimated cost to the club. Marty will talk to Jean about getting the estimate, and the President tabled further discussion, final motion and vote until the April meeting.

Membership – There were no new applications presented.

Unfinished Business – There was no unfinished business discussed.

New Business – The President asked the Secretary to email out to the membership agendas the Friday night before the upcoming meeting. Mary McCurdy asked Reba Namachar to provide a detailed description of show hospitality requirements at the next meeting.

There being no further business a motion was made by John Namachar to adjourn and seconded by Marty Kroll. The motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 8:07 PM.

Respectfully submitted –

Reba Namachar
BCKC Secretary

12 in Attendance -

Susan Chapin - President
Clint Graham – Vice President
Ross Chapin - Treasurer
Reba Namachar – Secretary
John Namachar - Board Member
Jeanette Nestor – Board Member
Marty Kroll – Board Member
Heather Donley
Altha Graham
Mary McCurdy
James Miller-Marquez
Gary Nestor

Upcoming Refreshment Schedule –

April – Edna Morris and Deb Pfeifer

May – Gary & Jeanette Nestor

June – Mary McCurdy

July – No Meeting Scheduled