

BCKC March 2021 Meeting

Tuesday, March 2, 2021

7:00 PM

Attendees:

- In Person
 - Heather Donley
 - Marty
 - Margie
 - James
 - Jean
- WebEx
 - Kathy McCormick
 - Ron
 - Gary
 - Jeannette
 - Ross
 - Sally Dines
 - Sue
 - Jackie
 - Regina
 - Edna

7:11AM Meeting Called to Order

Minutes

Reading of February Minutes

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Summary of February Minutes:

- Reminder letters/contact info update forms have been sent to the last few people who have not yet paid their dues.
- Per our Bi-Laws, dues are due by March 1st each year.
- Jean got confirmation from Lawrence County Fairgrounds that they will be opening the grounds this year, so the show is on!
- Due to health issues, John, Reba, and Theresa Nemachar will not be renewing this year. Neither will Mary McCurdy, she has a new grandson in Minnesota that is now taking up most of her time. We wish them all the best and thank them for their service over the years!
- This means however that we will need lots of help with the show this year, especially with parking and hospitality. More to come as the year progresses.
- James is going to talk to Wells Fargo and Hefren-Tillotson regarding recommendations for some of our accounts, as well as AIG, our Insurance Agency. They said they could provide some different options for coverage, so James will see what offerings they have.
- Tammy is continuing to work on our website, any nice show photos, etc. that you might want to put out on the site send them on!
 - James Motioned to Accept the Minutes as Read
 - Jean Seconded the Motion

Report of the President

- A few things came up from AKC recently. State rep David Millard, House Bill 594. Description says it would restrict covid shutting down activities, including dog shows
- Marty will post to Facebook and Web page, bottom line is you want to follow up with your local PA rep to let them know that you want them to bring this bill to a vote and
- Vote confirmative on the bill.
- AKC also sent out a clarification today, they wanted to make sure that people didn't think this Bill would restrict totally. Big thing is that as stated in the bill, it would actually say that arbitrary restrictions should not be established specifically to prevent special events. If events are being permitted, regulations should be uniformly applied.
- The legislation isn't a guarantee all events will go on, but it guarantees a level playing field across the board
- Governor did just raise the limits, looking at 50% capacity being allowed present at the show. Even the Lawrence County Fair doesn't get to 50% capacity compared to the acres they have, so we should be good to go
- AKC has done some work on bi-law services. Doesn't say we have to review and update our bi-laws at this point, but because a lot of clubs found themselves in situations like this, are they allowed to have virtual meetings, etc. they made updated guidelines/templates
- What are the basic minimum things for bi-laws needed. Available on Akc website, under clubs and delegates tab, clubs column, bi-law services web page.
- If you want to think about our bi-laws in relation to recommendations, feel free to go look it up. Marty can have posted to website or Facebook.
- Maybe ours could use a little bit of a polish. If someone would like to volunteer to do so, please let the Board know.
- 2021 lifetime achievement nominees. Each club can vote for one of categories, conformation, events, performance.
- We have according to the email, until Fri April 2nd to come up with our clubs vote.
- Nominees are Peter Green, Maxine Beam, James Crowley for Conformation
- Betty Winthers, Linda Mecklenburg, Dr. William Thayne for Companion Events
- Claudia Frank, James Basham, Sharol Hathaway for Performance
- Maxine was picked by the Members for Confirmation
- Bill Thayne was picked by the Members for Companion Events
- Sharol Hathaway was picked by the Members for Performance

Report of the Secretary

- Dues Collection
 - Sent out letter to last members not having paid dues last month
 - Several sent in their dues, still a few remaining
 - Heather to send Marty the last few names, he will reach out to them
- Website Updates
 - Heather will tell Tammy to put her number in place of Gary's for general info, leave Gary's for classes

Show Chair

- Spoke to LCF, says as a result of Wolf changes, were already going to open, have a meeting on Thursday, do we have to have a waiver as part of our Premium, and can we have spectators. She feels that we can.
- By Sept may not have to have such strict Covid things in place. If we do the waiver, may not put in premium, make so have to sign it when come to park or something like that. That's what most clubs have been doing as people come to gate.
- Some have you put it in with RV selection. For general parking, spectators, do about the same thing, take \$5 and sign petition like thing, explain entering at their own risk
- Maybe by then not have to worry about it, can make that decision closer to when Premium finalized.
- James has concern about waiver at gate, queuing and how much time it would take.
- That's why Jean is thinking of just a petition like list, not giving them something to read, explain as they are signing, quick and painless as possible
- We can figure out what to do with the waiver. Crossing our fingers won't need it
- Spent time talking to Wendell August Forge. Depending on pieces/numbers we purchase, he'll work with us for a discount.
- If we go with group prices instead of towels, we were probably paying at least \$15 per towel. Best in show trophies are \$50. engrave only best in show but no date. Just put BCKC on it.
- Asked him to come up with some ideas for general members if want to use to order the whole club one big order. People can select and add to the order and can owe the club. The more numbers we have the better discount.
- 58 prizes just for all group and best in show trophies for two days. If offered group one for each owner handled, that's another 16.
- Club itself would be close to putting in an order for 70 prizes.
- If anyone wants to sponsor a breed prize, that could add on some to the counts as well. Wendell does have some specific breed prize.
- A lot of times breed clubs have used them for their prizes, but they retain the rights to the artwork.
- Deadline is April 30th.
- Gary would like to sponsor best in breed for bassets, a plate for both days.
- Not a lot can do right now, all planning.

Treasurers Report

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Assests		Debts	(not Cashed yet)	
Accounts as of Last Reporting		Butler YMCA	\$ 200.00	Totals:
FNB	\$ 17,213.00	WebEx	\$ 96.00	Assests \$ 98,281.05
Wells Fargo	\$ 43,492.75			Debts \$ (296.00)
HF	\$ 31,858.60			
Trailer	\$ 5,676.70			Total: \$ 97,985.05

Credits

Dues (Cox) \$ 10.00
Dues (Stitt) \$ 30.00

FNB: First National Bank
WF: Wells Fargo
HT: Hefren-Tillotson

- Had very little activity this month financially
- As of last bank statement had a couple checks out not cashed yet, one for Webex expenses
- Ymca also cashed their check but not reflected in statement yet
- Est total of \$97,985
- Work in progress talking to WF and HT. Don't have personal cell phone at work, so will reach out again
- Insurance discussions, have to go through last 5 years. Don't recall seeing it in binders of club history that James has, so hasn't looked into it further yet

Membership

- Talked to Sabrina, she meant to be at the virtual meeting last month, but missed her alarm
- Works a lot of night shift, so tough for her to do
- She also said she might be re-locating, and asked if her membership with this club transfer to another local club
- The club confirmed at the meeting that this is not possible

Unfinished Business

- Website, Tammy continues to work on it, I check it here and there, haven't had a lot of time lately

New Business

- Club email address through the website - \$5.99 per month ad on, \$72 / year.
 - Info@butlercountykennelclub.com
 - Post on website, I would monitor
 - I'll also replace Gary's phone number with mine where applicable on site
 - Per Margie, thinks yes put the email. A lot of them like an email address. Had add on AKC marketplace with an email, got quite a few from this.
 - Jean motioned we do the email
 - Margie seconded
- Gary - start conformation classes up at the BDTA, April 7 thru May 12th.
 - Everyone will wear a mask and social distance like last year.
 - Skip a week, start again in May, then thru June, then Aug/Sep but needs to clear it first.
 - Gary will send me the dates.
 - Put it on the public page for Facebook.
 - Also on the BDTA website.
 - Keep Heather and Jean informed on the rest of the dates.
- Suggestion - hospitality for the show.
 - Cathy was wondering if there isn't a firemans auxiliary unit, who might like to put on the dinner of the club.
 - Let them do the lunch, make a few bucks.
 - Check with the fairgrounds, see if there is a local unit who might like to do it. Used to have them do it at Farm show grounds years and years ago.
 - Scott township fire department. Maybe a couple in the area. Fairground people ought to know.
 - They used to do the whole thing years ago.
 - Altha will be involved with hospitality and help out.

Motion to Adjourn

- Jean
- James seconded

Brags

- Edna has puppies!
 - 3 puppies, 13 weeks old tomorrow, two going to new homes this weekend
 - Boys leaving, girl is staying
- Ron had a dog take first place for her group at show in Ohio!