



Chambersburg Area Kennel Club, Inc.

Minutes of April 16, 2020, Regular Meeting

The monthly meeting of the Chambersburg Area Kennel Club was held **Thursday, April 16, 2020**, via FreeConferenceCall.com.

From the Agenda: Rules of the meeting: BE KIND TO THE SECRETARY. We will run through the membership list asking who is present. When we speak, be sure to use your full name before speaking so Marguerite can identify who is speaking. Speak clearly and slowly so minutes can reflect who and what is being said.

Attendees: Judy Alexander, Suzanne E. Benchhoff, Donna Cooper, Clarence Gelwicks, LaNora I. Madden, Marguerite Plank, Tom Rolenaitis, Sandie Rolenaitis, Charlene Stone, Adair (Bunny) Toddes, and Steve Toddes.

Guests: None

President Charlene Stone opened the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

Minutes from the last meeting were approved as distributed. Sandi Rolenaitis made the motion to accept; LaNora Madden seconded.

President's report: Charlene Stone said, "Hello everyone! Once again, I'm hoping you all and your families are healthy. We really have few things to discuss. I thought it would be a good idea to have a short meeting to gather any pertinent Dog News that may be of interest. Let us please move forward."

Treasurer's report: Suzanne Benchhoff said the club expenses included room rent checks to GARA (Gettysburg Area Recreation Authority) and name pins for club members. Sandi Rolenaitis moved to accept the treasurer's report. Clarence seconded. (Images of the account statements are included at the end of the minutes.)

Secretary Report from Marguerite Plank

AKC communications: None requiring a response.

Other communications: We received two emails from web site seeking training information and one Facebook message seeking a specific breeder. Members have already responded with what little information is known.

Website report: On March 28, I added a new web page with a list of regional dog training resources. I also added a button on the Contact Us form that would take users

to the Training Resources page, in case they didn't notice it before asking for additional information.

Bunny Toddes moved to accept the secretary's report; Tom Rolenaitis seconded.

Reports

Programs and Education Committee: Bunny Toddes. Bunny's program on Hunt Tests is postponed yet again.

Nominating Committee: President Charlene Stone said, "We need a Nominating Committee. The Board should be having a meeting on this day also according to the Constitution and Bylaws. That being said, we need to set up a Board meeting. Since most of the board is present, I will ask when will it be possible that we meet? Would it be possible at the end of this meeting?"

Bunny suggested holding the board meeting at the end of this regular meeting to appoint a nominating committee. Charlene directed that we do so.

Membership: Bunny Toddes said that when we get running again, we'll invite the prospective members to return in person. We have not invited them onto the conference calls.

Breeder Referral: Per the agenda, "Our website being point of contact were there any hits?" Our website redirects people to AKC resources. Clarence Gelwicks suggested adding similar info to the Facebook page's "About" section.

Website / Facebook: Clarence Gelwicks and Marguerite Plank. Clarence said there isn't much happening. The monthly meeting notices are coming up automatically but indicate the meetings are cancelled. Clarence suggested adding videos to the Facebook page or website, something suggested an AKC seminar on helping clubs engage with the public.

Match Committee: Clarence Gelwicks and Judy Alexander. Charlene suggested that there would be lots of shows in the fall that it may not be worthwhile to have a match. Suzanne Benchoff indicated that AKC says if a show cancels, another show can take the dates for a previously cancelled show. Bunny thinks that when people start showing, they'll go to shows, not matches. Clarence suggests we postpone our decision on whether to hold a match until the next meeting.

Community Relations Committee: Suzanne Benchoff and Bunny Toddes. Charlene says we have nothing to discuss. Suzanne says when we are allowed to get together, the last place we'll be allowed is at a nursing home. She suggested the club donate dog food for people who need it, as a project to benefit the community, since the current unemployment situation means there could be people who cannot afford to feed their dogs. Suzanne suggested we consider it as an item of new business.

Handling Class: Bunny Toddes and Suzanne Benchoff. Hopefully GARA will remember we paid for several nights we did not use, now that classes are on hold. Steve Toddes thinks the president of GARA (which happens to be Steve) "will work with us." Charlene directed that Sandi send a gas card and an apology to Stacey Marine for the scheduling mix-up for leading the handling class. Sandi will take care of that this week.

Show Committee: Charlene Stone and Suzanne Benchoff. Charlene said in the distributed agenda, "All parties have been notified after our last meeting that the show had been cancelled. I do believe that this was a very sensible decision on the part of the CAKC. All judges with the exception of Anne Katona have agreed to judge our 2021 shows. Anne has a conflict that is local for her in the Nevada/California area. There was no reimbursement necessary for any pre-purchased travel of the judges thus we lost no money. The Expo Center offered to return the deposit for their facility, this make take a few weeks but will be sent to either myself or Suzanne. I took the opportunity to reserve the site for 2021. The photographer, stewards association, traffic control, food vendor and golf cart rental were notified and no charges experienced. The AKC sent an email indicating that all fees remitted for cancelled shows would be carried over to the next event so really no charges, we could apply that amount to the 2021 event. Bunny had ordered the throws used as trophies and judges gifts, unsure the status of that order. If there was a charge then we could also carry it over to 2021." If we shift those expenses, Charlene added, we will have lost no money. The refund from the Expo Center will apply to the 2021 shows too.

Donna, who was sponsoring the trophies for junior showmanship, said that they were ordered, but she had decided not to put a date on it, just in case there were no junior handlers. She'll order a second one for the second day of the show to be used next year.

Other Business

Old Business: None

New Business: Suzanne suggested we consider providing dog food for those in Adams and Franklin counties who can't afford it. Suggestions included contributing to a food pantry drive-through. The Adams County SPCA is making food available for people in need through a donation they received. It might be possible to go through an animal shelter such as ACSPCA through a money donation. Bunny suggested we contact SCCAP (South Central Community Action Program) since they are coordinating food for the needy. Suzanne will call the director and see if our donation can be earmarked for dog food. Bunny said it's a good idea. Suzanne suggested we get a picture and put it on the website to promote good will in the community and let more people know we exist.

Suzanne suggests \$500, which was passed by general assent. Suzanne will check to see if it covers both Adams and Franklin. Clarence, viewing the program's website, said they do serve Franklin and Adams counties. Suzanne moved to contribute \$500 to SCCAP for

people in need in order to feed their dogs. Judy Alexander was the second. The money will be earmarked for pet food (not just dog food). Motion passed by unanimous consent. We'll try to get a photo with a check. Suzanne will report back to members via email.

Suzanne thanked members for their condolences and support after she lost her dog Zen to bloat. She suggested we do a program about bloat sometime with a guest speaker.

Next meeting: May 21, 2020.

Brag: Several members survived their dogs' heat cycles and vet visits. No brags were submitted before the meeting.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn at LaNora moved to close the meeting at 8:10 p.m. (There was no second.) Meeting adjourned by unanimous consent.

Treasurer's Report

Checking:

Balance on 02/29/20		\$15,572.61	
Other Credits		\$315.00	
Other		\$648.00	
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		\$0.00	
03/31/20		\$15,237.61	
Period			

Account Activity			
	Deposits/Credits	Checks/Debits	Balance
			\$15,572.61
	\$250.00		\$15,822.61
		\$200.00	\$15,622.61
	\$65.00		\$15,687.61
		\$300.00	\$15,387.61
		\$148.00	\$15,239.61
		\$2.00	\$15,237.61

Checks Paid

Savings:

Corporate

Account Value	
\$56,759.56	
1 Month Ago	\$56,251.49
1 Year Ago	\$55,109.12
3 Years Ago	\$65,051.50
5 Years Ago	\$71,933.73

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Asset Details (as of Mar 27, 2020)