



Chambersburg Area Kennel Club, Inc.

Minutes of Feb. 18, 2021, Regular Meeting

The monthly meeting of the Chambersburg Area Kennel Club was held at **7 p.m. on Thursday, February 18, 2021**, online via Zoom.

Attendees: Judy Alexander, Suzanne E. Benchhoff, Courtney Caraccioli, Donna Cooper, Ann Doll, Clarence Gelwicks, Lisa Kling, LaNora I. Madden, Marguerite Plank, Tom Rolenaitis, Sandie Rolenaitis, Sara Rudolph, Charlene Stone, Adair (Bunny) Toddes, Steve Toddes

President Charlene Stone opened the meeting at 7:03 p.m.

Minutes from the last meeting. Suzanne Benchhoff moved to accept the minutes with the change that Bunny Toddes requested. Tom Rolenaitis seconded.

Reports

President's report by Charlene Stone: "Hello everyone. Hoping all are Healthy in these trying times. How many of you have received your vaccinations? I know I am hoping to get mine sometime next week or after.

"This meeting is especially important & this is the reason I have requested that everyone that can PLEASE attend. We have much to discuss regarding our show & that will take place during the Show Committee report later in the meeting.

Treasurer's report by Suzanne Benchhoff: There has been no activity in the checking account except for the regular service charge for mailed statements. She had a phone call from Edward Jones about the savings accounts. Two CDs mature in the next couple of weeks, and recommendation is that we leave everything as it is. Motion to accept the report was made by Clarence Gelwicks; Donna Cooper seconded.

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Beginning Balance on	12/31/20	\$13,639.05	
+ Deposits & Other Credits		\$0.00	
- Withdrawals & Other		\$0.00	
- Service Charges		\$2.00	
+ Interest Paid		\$0.00	
Ending Balance on	01/31/21	\$13,637.05	
Days in Statement Period			
Account Activity			
Description	Deposits/Credits	Checks/Debits	Balance
BEGINNING BALANCE			\$13,639.05
SERVICE CHARGE		\$2.00	\$13,637.05
END OF STATEMENT			

Secretary Report by Marguerite Plank: No regular mail or emails to respond to. Tom Rolenaitis motioned to accept the report; Ann Doll seconded

Committee Reports

Programs and Education Committee by Bunny Toddes & Susanne Benchoff: Bunny—nothing is happening. Suzanne did see some Facebook posts from PFDC about proposed legislation. At some point Suzanne would like to present something to the club from the dog law committee. Maybe at the next meeting do a short presentation to the club under program and legislation.

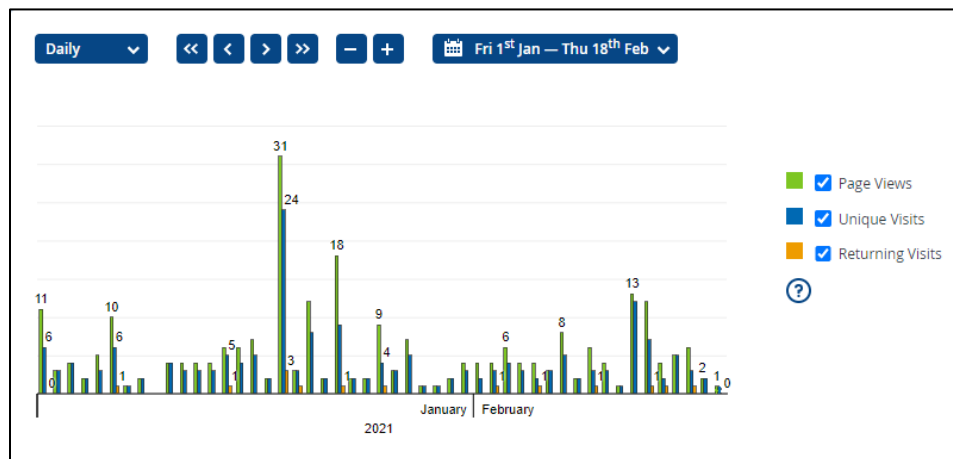
Nominating Committee: Nothing to report until 2021 election time.

Constitution & Bylaws Committee by Donna Cooper: “Marguerite and Bunny and I communicated via email. We came up with some things that are written in the bylaws that we haven’t been following, like which events we plan to do, that new members need to have current members recommend them, and require them to come to meetings, which isn’t in the bylaws. There are other discrepancies about the nomination and election procedures. Bunny also suggested we put out a calendar with important events. We do need to check with AKC about the nominating committee and if we continue to have Zoom meetings. Also, how to conduct elections if we can’t do them in person.

Membership Committee by Bunny Toddes: Bunny thinks we need a membership packet to give to prospective member and a welcome pack for new members.

Facebook/Website Committee by Clarence Gelwicks, Marguerite Plank: Marguerite posted the December minutes to the web site.

Website traffic from Jan. 1 to today. That high spike of 31 page views/24 unique visits was on Jan. 18, 2021.



Match Committee by Clarence Gelwicks & Judy Alexander: We are not doing a match in April, as decided last meeting.

Community Relations Committee by Suzanne Benchoff & Bunny Toddes: Suzanne suggests we send out a document similar to the one that the collie club does. She likes websites that list benefits of memberships; clubs that offer mentorships, videos, things to encourage younger folks to be involved.

Handling Class by Bunny Toddes, Suzanne Benchoff & Sandie Rolenaitis: No discussion at this time. Regulations on occupancy keep changing. We probably won't have class until we can be outside.

Show Committee by Charlene Stone and Suzanne Benchoff: From the agenda, Charlene says that the Lancaster Kennel Club, as probably most of you know, has cancelled their show following our shows. Their show was to be Sunday, May 16. I have been in touch with the Show Chair throughout the fall and winter. I anticipated a cancellation by the way our conversation progressed. Mainly the reason for this decision was the advanced age for the general membership regarding the COVID pandemic. We have a lot of things to consider here tonight. I was hoping for more input from AKC but haven't received anything from Liz since I sent her an email.

Everything is ready; Charlene is torn about having the show at this time. Requirements change almost every day. Probably have a ceiling on the number of dogs able to have enter. Judges are OK. "I don't know what to do and I'd like to have some input from each of you." Able to cancel before the end of march. Sandi Rolenaitis would feel better if she were able to be vaccination. She'll probably be in the last phase. Would feel better vaccinated and if the show were outside. Sandi: I feel we should cancel. Tom, also under 65, and total vaccination won't happen before the show.

Bunny Toddes: Shows that are going on are being very well attended. She attended Salisbury, show and go format; extra work to patrol the doors to keep down the traffic. Everyone had to have covid tests and be screened. Bloomsburg was extremely careful. To do that would take a lot of manpower. (Charlene asked whether to go ahead or not.) Bunny – one of the problems is in getting stewards. Bunny suggested we wait to decide until March.

Donna Cooper: Do we have enough people willing to get in there and do temperatures, release forms, and arm bands? Also, as Bunny said, people are looking for places to show. Can we wait, maybe do it later or outside. Yes, wait until March.

Courtney Caraccioli: I have never been to a big show like the ones do you. I don't think we have the personnel to handle a show that large. I don't think we can have a full-size show with our members. I would cancel now.

Marguerite Plank: Wait until March to decide.

Suzanne Benchoff: vote to wait until March.

LaNora Madden: wait until March to make decision.

Sara Rudolph: I have mixed emotions, a poodle specialty is coming up. Would we be grooming inside? Charlene says no. I think we'll end up canceling, but willing to wait.

Ann Doll: It'll take a miracle to put this show on. Maybe wait and see.

Lisa Kling & Judy Alexander: Judy: I'd like to know what they're doing in Florida. Lisa is a teacher, going to work now, the younger kids are closing every week now because of positive tests. Can we count the numbers in and out. I'm saying wait, even if we end up canceling. Because of fire codes. Wait and see what happens.

Charlene Stone: Since Lancaster canceled their show on Sunday, what do you think about picking up Sunday and having a 3-day show this year.

Steve Toddes: Suggests to do just two days, if we do it.

Charene: opinion is to scrap the third day.

LaNora: why not move it from Friday and Saturday to Saturday and Sunday? Char will check out if that's possible.

Other Business

Old Business: Suzanne's research on recruitment of new members. (already covered)

New Business: Show decisions!!!!

Next meeting: March 18, 2021

Brag:

Marguerite Plank: Hobbes earned the new UKC title of Pre-Novice and his URO2 rally title.

Neely earned UKC Rally Master Champion. Both are on the 2021 UKC Rally All Stars list in Rally.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn at 8:54 p.m. Motion by Clarence Gelwicks, Sara Rudolf and Ann Doll seconded simultaneously.