



Chambersburg Area Kennel Club, Inc.

Minutes of May 21, 2020, Regular Meeting

The monthly meeting of the Chambersburg Area Kennel Club was held **Thursday, May 21**, via FreeConferenceCall.com.

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

Guests: None

President Charlene Stone opened the meeting at 7:11 p.m.

Minutes from the last meeting were emailed to the members by the secretary. Motion to approve by Sara Rudolph, seconded by Courtney Caraccioli.

President's report by Charlene Stone (from her agenda): Hello everyone! Hating to be redundant, once again I'm hoping you all and your families are healthy. Not much to discuss at all. We did have a successful Board Meeting after the April meeting. Mainly following our Constitution and Bylaws, we selected a Nominating Committee. I have been busy completing the wall resurfacing at my home, this was a project I started 5 years ago. Really feels good to have had a mission when we were abruptly stopped in our Dog Sporting endeavors.

Treasurer's report by Suzanne Benchoff:

[see image] \$15,237.61 beginning balance. Had 1 check \$500 to SCCAP, and a service charge of \$2, bringing the ending balance to \$14,735.61. There were no changes to Savings. She did receive a thank-you note, and an official receipt from SCCAP. Charlene asked if there was a check from the expo center yet. Motion to accept the report was made by Tom Rolenaitis, seconded by Bunny Toddes.

Free Business Checking		Account # XXXXXXX3637	
Beginning Balance on	03/31/20	\$15,237.61	
+ Deposits & Other Credits		\$0.00	
- Withdrawals & Other		\$500.00	
+ Service Charges		\$2.00	
+ Interest Paid		\$0.00	
Ending Balance on	04/30/20	\$14,735.61	
Days in Statement Period			

Account Activity			
Description	Deposits/Credits	Checks/Debits	Balance
BEGINNING BALANCE			\$15,237.61
CHECK #1115		\$500.00	\$14,737.61
SERVICE CHARGE		\$2.00	\$14,735.61

Checks Paid			
Amount	Check #	Date	Amount
500.00			

Secretary Report by Marguerite Plank.

AKC communications: None.

Other communications:

- April 27: I received an email from Darin Cox, which I forwarded to members, regarding the PA Federation of Dog Clubs. The message included their newsletter and a note that they were waiving dues for next fiscal year.

Website report:

- April 24: added PA Department of Ag Covid-19 report.
- May 9: Performed some website updates (plugins and theme) and posted the March minutes in the member area.
- May 19: Routine website updates; sent out a meeting reminder.
- May 21: Steve Toddes dropped off Bunny's binders containing minutes of past meetings and other miscellaneous documentation at my house. I have started scanning the documents and will be uploading them to the website. I'm recycling duplicate copies that were made to distribute at meetings. When I'm through scanning, I'd like to see the binders stored in a mouse-proof box someplace where an authorized club member can find them, rather than store them at a member's home. Maybe in the storage locker?

Suzanne Benchoff moved to approve the report with Courtney Caraccioli as second.

Reports

Programs and Education Committee by Bunny Toddes: She told the members that there is nothing to report as everything is on hold until we meet again.

Nominating Committee: The committee was selected at our Board Meeting, consisting of Donna Cooper as the Committee Chair, with Courtney Caraccioli and Judy Alexander as members and with Steve Toddes and Clarence Gelwicks as Alternates. Charlene Stone asked if Donna had anything to report.

Donna reported that the committee met and had been in contact with the current officers and board. They will soon have a complete slate and will they'll email it to the secretary (Marguerite Plank). They will email everyone who was nominated, and will share at June meeting.

Membership by Bunny Toddes. There have been no contacts with the prospective members; nothing happening at the moment.

Breeder Referral: Since this particular committee doesn't exist and the point of contact is through both our Facebook page and the website, Charlene thinks we can pretty much drop this committee. I'm throwing this out to the membership whether we want to have

it remain a committee or rely on the Facebook and website reports for anything of interest. Do I have a motion to delete this committee from the agenda going forward?

Sandie Rolenaitis said, "I think it's time to eliminate it. Suzanne Benchoff moved to eliminate the breeder referral committee from the agenda, seconded by Courtney Caraccioli.

Website / Facebook, Clarence Gelwicks and Marguerite Plank.

Clarence says there are plenty of new likes on the Facebook page, but not too much activity. He posted the AKC covid recommendations, and so on. He urged members to share and like posts, which will drive more traffic to our pages. Bunny suggests we post notices from AKC on Facebook and Web page about the online handling class and titling events by video.

Match Committee, Clarence Gelwicks & Judy Alexander. Has there been any thoughts on canceling the possibility of a match in 2020? Clarence hasn't done any planning, given the covid situation. We'll think again in the June meeting.

Community Relations Committee, Suzanne Benchoff and Bunny Toddes: Nursing homes are going to be the last place we're going to go visit. We're lined up for Pippinfest in September if they have it.

Handling Class by Bunny Toddes and Suzanne Benchoff: Charlene says we should just shelve that until whenever restrictions ease up.

Show Committee, Charlene Stone and Suzanne Benchoff: Charlene said, since all the judges for 2020, with the exception of Anne Katona, agreed to remain on the panel for 2021, there is little to do. We have a couple suggested judges to replace her. She wears some big shoes so we really have to get pretty much an all-rounder to fill her assignment. I will mention judges that would be available: Nate Horn, who a lot of people don't care for but he has everything and draws. I wouldn't enter under him for years and was sort of forced to when he was a replacement and much to my surprise he was delightful. I entered under him again and it wasn't a fluke he was also delightful. He can do everything that Anne was scheduled for plus he has enough other breeds that we would have a cushion in case the entry is very large. The others that are available are Elaine Lessig or Douglas Johnson, both of which do not have all the breeds that Anne was doing. We may have to hire another judge to fill in the blanks. I haven't contacted any of these judges yet by according to AKC future assignments, they are free.

The award blankets arranged by Bunny are done.

Other Business

Old Business: Suzanne sent proof of insurance to storage unit company.

New Business: Is there any?

- Bunny said she believes there are rally signs in the storage units. Consider making them available to borrow for at-home titling. Bunny will see what signs are there and give us an update.
- Donna outlined some of the accommodations for the pandemic. She'll send Marguerite a copy to share it with the members. Donna, Charlene, and Sara are CGC evaluators. Bunny will check out the signs and sign holders.

Next meeting: June 18, 2020.

Brags: Courtney: two big brags, American Akita voted to allow the Japanese Akita in the AKC. And she finished making her blanket.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn at 8:23 p.m. Sandie Rolenaitis made the motion to adjourn, Tom Rolenaitis seconded.