



BUSINESS MEETING
SUNDAY, MARCH 4, 2018
MICHELE KOWALSKI'S HOME
166 GRIER RD
VERNON, CT

President, Annmarie Wilson called the meeting to order at 6:22pm.

Members in Attendance:

Annmarie Wilson, President

Tina Stone, Recording Secretary

Lyn Blanchard, Corresponding Secretary

Keith Blanchard, Board Member

Deb Brunell, Board Member

Kelly Rome, Board Member

Jim Brunell

Danette Chorney

Hazel Holman

Ann Huntington

Michele Kowalski

Michael Richards

Lenore Severni

Minutes:

Recording Secretary, Tina Stone presented the minutes of the January 28, 2018 meeting. They were not read as they were distributed to all members by e-mail or direct mail.

MOTION: to accept the minutes of the January meeting
(Rome/Huntington) Motion Carried

Treasurer's Report:

President, Annmarie Wilson presented the account balances as of March 4, 2018 in the absence of Treasurer, Laura Lafreniere.

MOTION: to accept the Treasurer's Report
(Chorney/D. Brunell) Motion Carried

Correspondence:

Corresponding Secretary, Lyn Blanchard reported that she received a message from someone in Canada wanting to know when the premium for our Specialty would be available. Ann Huntington was unsure at this time so Lyn will let them know end of March or beginning of April.

Lyn has also been checking the club's AOL account and there has been a lot of spam.

Annmarie received a letter from the Morris Animal Foundation asking for a donation and if we wanted to consider donating to them. Ann said they do fabulous work. Club felt we should not do a donation at this time and wait until they are asking towards a specific genetic disease to study that effects Labradors.

Specialty:

Annmarie reported that our food vendor will be Mike's Grill. She went over the menu and members made suggestions to include at least one vegetarian option and to make sure that the breakfast sandwiches would not be served on hamburger buns.

Ann reported that we are in good shape for this year. We still need to fill judging assignments though for upcoming years.

- For 2019 we need another Regular Class judge and a Sweepstakes judge. Mentioned names by members were: Gary Johnson, Philippe Lammens, and Guillermo Carrillo. Lenore Severni will touch base with Guillermo Carrillo and see if he is available as he will balance out who we already have judging. Ann will also see if he has a friend or colleague that could travel with him and do Sweepstakes.
- For 2019 Obedience names mentioned were Robin Botelho, Susan King, Denise Lacroix, Steve Hersey, and Karen Ray.
- For 2020 we are all set on Regular Class judges but need Sweepstakes judges. Names mentioned were Tami Wilson, Julie Quigley, Debbie Wyman, and Ellen Shearer. Ann will check with Tami Wilson and Julie Quigley to see if they are available.
- For 2020 Obedience Danette Chorney will be Rally and Annmarie will ask Tibby Chase and Susan King if they are available.
- For 2021 the club would like to have a foreign judge. Ann will ask Gary Johnson if he is available and if he has a friend or colleague that could travel with him for Sweepstakes. Other names mentioned were Krista Beal, Nicole McCarthy, and Beth Henry McCarthy.

Match:

Tina asked if there was anything from the January Match that should be done differently. We did not have a great turn out for Rally or Breed but everything will be kept the same.

Hunt:

Annmarie reported on our WC to be held June 10, 2018 at Nod Brook.

- She has contacted for a Port A Potty to be there for the day.
- Susan Brownell and Tami Wilson are our judges and Nancy Brandow will be doing Confirmation Certificate.
- She has contacted LRC but still working on getting information up on their website.
- We do not need any equipment but would still like to have a couple more blinds. Deb Brunell volunteered to make them.
- Need to recontact on the duck order to make sure we are all set.
- Lyn looked into the price for duck bands. She contacted National Duck Bands and the price for 100 bands is \$31.00

MOTION: to purchase the duck bands
(L. Blanchard/K. Blanchard) Motion Carried

- Ann has ordered the rosettes.
- We will need someone to put the books together. Annmarie asked Michael Richards if he may be able to help.
- Annmarie brought forth the idea of potentially buying a Thunder Gun so that could be used instead of a Starter Pistol. Pros and Cons were brought forward and the discussion will continue at the next meeting.

Logo:

Lyn reported the travel mugs to be given as trophies at our Specialty for the Non-Regular Classes have been ordered.

The catalogs are in for this year to order logo items. Contact Lyn if there is something you would like her to order for you. The budget for logo this year will be kept the same.

MOTION: to approve the budget of \$1500.00 for logo purchases
(L. Blanchard/Huntington)

Nominating Committee:

Nominating Committee Chair, Hazel Holman read the slate presented by the Nominating Committee.

President, Deb Brunell

Vice President, Annmarie Wilson

Treasurer, Laura Lafreniere

Corresponding Secretary, Lyn Blanchard

Recording Secretary, Tina Stone

Board of Directors:

Kelly Rome

Tricia Ancelli

Danette Chorney

Michele Kowalski

Annmarie opened up nominations from the floor.

There were no nominations from the floor, so the slate will go forward as above to be voted on at the April Meeting.

Supported Entries:

Ann reported that we still need supported entry judges for November 2018, February 2019, and November 2019.

November 2018 – Leah Franzen was mentioned. Deb will touch base with her and see if she is available.

February 2019 – Deb Brunell will judge.

November 2019 – Lenore Severni will judge.

LRC Specialty:

Annmarie reported that the LRC is still in need of someone to run the raffle.

Well Dog Clinic:

Kelly Rome reported that all the doctors for this year are set. Kelly has also contacted Paw Print to get a list of their prices if we used them at our clinic this year for the genetic testing.

Library:

Annmarie let us know that Tricia Ancelli will be bringing the library to the April meeting. Items from the library are available for purchase by club members as the club will be doing away with it. Tricia will continue as Historian and club artifacts will still be kept on file.

Unfinished Business:

The scholarship that the LRCPV is looking to offer to a Vet Tech student was researched by Michele Kowalski. She reported that she found some information on how to establish a scholarship. We will need to come up with an application that can be posted and downloaded by perspective students. There may also be some tax implications for the club. Michele will check with Laura L. on these implications and if we can continue forward. We will discuss this further at the April meeting.

Brag:

Deb and Jim's Ozzie - took BOB and a Group 4 and then a BOS this past weekend. He also went BOS 2 weeks ago. 9 month old Olivia went Reserve WB.

Michele's Dora – went WB yesterday and WB 2 weeks ago.

Ann's Riker – went BOW

Ann Burn's Captain – reported by other members went BOB and 2 or 3 BOW

NEXT MEETING IS APRIL 7, 2018 AT 5:30PM. THIS IS OUR ANNUAL MEETING AND AWARD BANQUET. THE MEETING WILL BE HELD AT ANN HUNTINGTON'S HOME 2800 MOUNTAIN RD WEST SUFFIELD, CT.

Adjournment:

MOTION: to adjourn the meeting at 7:37pm
(Chorney/D. Brunell) Motion Carried

Tina Stone, Recording Secretary