Clinton County Canine Club Membership Meeting Minutes: February 15, 2023

Members Present: Rodney LaPier, Linda LaPier, Scarlett McBride, Kim Bailey, Regina Davison, Bob Heins

Excused: Helen Morales

The meeting was called to order by Bob Heins at 4:38 p.m., which meeting was held at Bob Heins' residence.

Motion to dispense with the reading of the January 18, 2023 meeting minutes and approve the same as written was made by Linda LaPier. Seconded by Rodney LaPier. All in favor, motion carried.

Officers' Reports:

President's Report: No Report.

Vice President's Report: Linda Lapier was approached by a member of our Club. She is working toward certifying her dog as a therapy dog. a therapy dog. A letter was sent to Clarkson University at their request to affirm that Tammy had attended puppy and basic obedience classes. (see attached)

Secretary's Report: No Report.

Treasurer's Report -Kim Bailey:

Checking Balance January 31, 2023 - \$21,354.20

Savings Account Balance \$14,896.92 (includes interest)

Committee Reports:

Agility: Roxanne Vincent – None

Family Dog Training Committee: Linda LaPier - None

Inventory: G. Sherman- No report.

Event Coordinator/Social Media: Vicki Siskavich – No Report.

Welcome: J. Puhalla- She continues to send out welcome letters with club stickers to new members. L. LaPier will send December and January new membership information to Janet.

Website: H. & **T. Morales** – Helen continues to upload the current Minutes to the website, post the schedule of classes and update the website.

Outreach: J. Quay – We have three wonderful opportunities for therapy dog teams to visit in the community.

We are now able to return to the Oak Street library in Plattsburgh. Story hour in the children's library is Thursday at 10:30 a.m. We are also welcome to visit upstairs at any time. Please contact Anne de la Chapelle to schedule your visit at <u>delachapellea@cityofplattsburgh-ny.gov</u> or 518-536-7442.

Clinton Community College has invited us to their campus. Their events are on March 1, April 17, May 8 and May 15 from Noon to 1:00 p.m. Please contact Sarah McCarty at <u>sarah.mccarty@clinton.edu</u> or 518-562-4381. She is very excited to start having therapy dog teams visit CCC.

We are also invited back to the PSUC Feinberg Library. There are three (3) events scheduled for March 22, March 29 and April 5 from 11:00 a.m. to Noon. Kristie would like to schedule two (2) teams to visit during the event and have a third as a backup in case a team needs to cancel. Please contact Kristie Stanton at gonyeak1@plattsburgh.edu or 518-56_-4233.

And a reminder that we are welcome in the PSUC Angell College Center Thursdays from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. when college is in session.

These all look like fun times to be out in the community with our dogs. Hope you sign up for one or two!

<u>Review of Provisional Members:</u> There were no applications presented.

AKC Fit Dog: No Report.

Scholarship: Rebecca Shuman - No Report.

Motion to approve Committee reports was made by K. Bailey and seconded by R. Davison. All in favor, motion carried.

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Old Business:

Scholarships – Bob spoke to Rebecca. Linda suggested to rename the scholarship Faye S. Kolz/Dorothy Schroeder Scholarship. However, any name change should be left up to the scholarship committee with approval from the membership. Kim Bailey, Bob Heins and Rebecca Shuman make up the committee. It was also suggested to increase the current scholarship amount from \$1000.00 to \$2,000.00. The scholarship would be given to the student at the start of their first semester with proof of enrollment and the second payment would be given at the beginning of the second semester with proof of registration. Bob Heins will talk to Rebecca Shuman about the criteria for any scholarships.

Mats for Squares Building – Rodney LaPier was able to get approximate pricing on new mats.

It could cost upwards of \$3,500.00 or more. We would like the same thickness of the mats if possible so they are easy to maneuver. Bob Heins questioned if we should get a thinner mat to it could be rolled and stored away. A larger sample will be requested for our next meeting.

Was suggested that the Club buy one section and pay for shipping to try the mat (a sample) but no motion was made.

Mats: Scarlett McBride confirmed that her grandsons (Jason and Reed, who are 18 and 17 respectively) would be interested in putting down the mats on Sundays and picking up the mats by Tuesday evenings.

New Business:

Meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m. Motion to adjourn meeting by Rodney LaPier. Seconded by Linda LaPier. All in favor, motion carried.

Next meeting: Wednesday, April 19, 2023 at the residence of Robert Heins at 4:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Scarlett McBride, Secretary