Clinton County Canine Club Membership Meeting Minutes: November 15, 2017

Members Present: Lori Moffa, Rodney LaPier, Bob Heins, Vicki Siskavich, Karen McCarty, Donna Pepin

The meeting was called to order by Vice President L. Moffa at 5:03 PM. Motion to dispense with the reading of August's meeting minutes made by B. Heins Seconded by R. LaPier. All in favor, motion carried.

Officers' Reports:

President's Report: No report Vice President's Report: No report Secretary's Report: No report Treasurer's Report: D. Frederick from the 4H club sent photos of the equipment donated to them by the Canine Club.

Income: \$1235.00 Expenses: \$154.80 (Barn PortaPotty; Container Rental Storage) Checking Balance November 12, 2017 - \$12988.17 Additional Checking Balance \$100.00 Savings Account Balance \$14,792.99 + interest <u>Committee Reports:</u> Agility: C. Wilson – There is no report for the Agility Committee for the month of November. Building: L. Moffa – No report

Family Dog Training Committee: D. Meunier – As of this writing, our fall session of classes will be concluding this week with TDI tests, CGC evaluations, the AKC STAR Puppy evaluations, and the Family Pet Dog Manners graduation class.

The Family Pet Dog Training Committee is hoping to meet this coming week to plan our Winter session of classes. Due to the difficulties surrounding Winter travel and the fact that we had to cancel so many classes due to weather last year, several of the classes will be offered as modules while others will be run as full length classes. In order to accommodate such a schedule, we will likely use one of the evenings for the modules and the other for the full sessions of classes.

The committee would welcome hearing from members who might be interested in assisting or otherwise helping with classes and would welcome your input.

Inventory: G. Sherman – No report

Scholarship: M. Hamelin – No report as there are no new applications for scholarships **Welcome: J. Puhalla**– The welcome committee sent out letters to the following new members: C. Beck; T.

Garrow; R. Hearns; S. Nephew

<u>Review of Provisional Member Applications:</u> One provisional membership application received for Scarlett, Madison and Bradford McBride. B. Heins motioned to accept provisional members. Seconded by R. LaPier. All in favor, motioned carried.

Social Media Presentation– L. Denyer – No report **Website**: N. Fernandez – No report

Old Business:

Newsletter – D. Pepin is no longer able to prepare the club newsletter. She has reached out to members and provisional members who expressed a willingness to work on the newsletter in their membership applications but no one has come forward to date indicating the willingness to take over the newsletter. If any member would like to take that on, please contact any board member.

The monthly meeting minutes are available on our website and club events are listed there as well as in our social media accounts including Facebook. We would like to expand our social media presence and would like members to submit their brags, news and/or events on an ongoing basis to the club e-mail info@clintoncanine.org and/or social media email cccsocialmedia@gmail.com. They would also be listed on our website. If you prefer they only be posted to our website, please indicate that in your email.

Decision to table until the December meeting so that a larger portion of the members present will know that they can submit news and brags anytime they have them to help increase the social media presence. Discussions to ask L. Denyer to present the social media platform again in December was mentioned. This will also give a larger audience to decide if we continue publishing a newsletter or to switch to using the website and social media to parlay information rather than a newsletter.

Decals: V. Siskavich had brought several decal examples for discussion. K. McCarty and L. Moffa asked for a few modifications to the font size and colors to make the decals stand out. V. Siskavich to modify and send out to board for approval prior to having samples printed. R. LaPier motioned to approve the cost for having sample decals printed up. Seconded by D. Pepin. All in favor, motion carried. K. McCarty to send a more clear image of the Original CCCC logo for the decal.

New business:

Open House: Suggestion to hold inside to get better attendance with a target of April since a lot of people get new puppies in the spring. The open house will be brought up at the December meeting to see if April would be a good time to host the open house and if there are any volunteers to coordinate. Looking for a couple of dates to hold an open house based on the interest.

Meeting Time Change: L. Moffa suggested the possibility of changing the meeting time to later than 4:30 PM and possibly even changing the date from Wednesday. Need to discuss further when all board members are present. Tabled until the next meeting.

Rally signage: Rally has 30 new signs. R. LaPier was asking for permission on behalf of L. LaPier to purchase the new signs. Estimated cost was \$30 to \$40. The question was asked as to how many signs were needed. L. Moffa indicated that there were new signs for Excellent, Advanced and Novice and these signs complimented and completed the 110 signs they already have. If the cost of the signage is under \$50, the board does not need to approve to reimburse the purchase. If the cost of the new signs are over \$50, the amount over the \$50 can be approved at the next board meeting.

December Member Meeting: The December Member Board Meeting will be on Tuesday December 5th at Uno Pizzeria & Grill, 578 State Route 3, Plattsburgh.

Meeting adjourned at 5:47 PM. Motion to adjourn meeting by B. Heins. Seconded by R. LaPier. All in favor, motion carried.