

Mayflower Portuguese Water Dog Club Board Meeting Minutes November 18, 2018

Present: Paula Markiewicz, Gail Maguire, Tobi-Ann Kocher, Chris Framson, Kim Holden, Olivier Kocher, Sue Coyne, Michael Laroche

Absent: Lynn Green, Sue Rosenstein

Meeting Commencement

- The meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm by Paula Markiewicz. The meeting was held by scheduled conference call.

Board Meeting Minutes from October 7, 2018

- Secretary Kim Holden emailed the minutes of the October 7th meeting to all board members. Correction was noted by Tobi-Ann to the information regarding MasterPeace facility noting that there was not an additional hourly rate available. In addition, we need to be out of the building by 3:45.
- Gail made a motion to approve. Chris seconded – All approved.

President's Report – Paula Markiewicz

- We are still waiting to hear back from the AKC regarding our license to hold Specialty events. Paula indicated that we wanted their approval by December 15th.
- Paula will reach out to the PWDCA for their approval on the Specialty though there is no longer a monetary contribution from them.
- Paula asked for a vote from the board to hold Festivus at MasterPeace Dog Training facility in Franklin. Gail motioned and Sue seconded. All approved.
- Paula asked for a vote from the board for Michael LaRoche to have access to the club accounts in order to assist Lynn Green. Tobi-Ann motioned and Kim seconded. All approved.
- There was a discussion regarding bonding of any individual, including the Treasurer, which has access to our accounts. It is assumed that this service would come from our insurance company. To be determined.
- Paula reminded all board members to join the PWDCA and will send information to those that are not currently members.
- Paula reviewed the election results of the new PWDCA board.

Treasurer's Report – Lynn Green

- Michael reported a \$10,833 balance. Four small deposits – and a check to MasterPeace. Lynn to send update.

Membership Report – Michael Laroche

- Michael sent out the new on-line membership form that he created using an on-line application called Wufoo. It integrates payment into Paypal. Users can pay via the secured site by either Paypal or credit card.
- Wufoo requires a subscription of \$349 per year. The Laroche's graciously donated the first year cost.
- There was a discussion regarding proposals to increase the dues by \$5 and to offer a 20% discount when voting members sign up for 3 years. The board agreed with the discount but felt that the dues should stay the same and not increase. Paula made a motion to accept the 20% discount, Sue Coyne seconded. All voted in favor.

Upcoming Event – Festivus – Tobi Ann Kocher

- To be held at MasterPeace, Sunday January 6th from 12 to 3:30 though the facility is rented for four full hours.
- Eye exams by Dr. Kristen Gervais will start at 12:15. Checks and cash will be accepted.

- Groomers for the Groomers Roundtable will be Alexandra Lightfoot, Sue Lefebvre and Lynn Green. It is meant to be a very interactive session.
- It was suggested to have a raffle basket. Paula to ask Sally Phillips or Kim Laroche to assist.
- This will be a potluck event where all attendees will be asked to bring something. Club to provide drinks and paper products.
- Evites will be sent out as in prior years. Kim will do this.
- Puppy parade and achievement acknowledgements. Kim will handle these.

Upcoming Event – First Aid with Jenny Coes – Tobi Ann Kocher

- Date suggested – March 10th.
- Cost is \$350 plus potential travel costs depending on how far she needs to travel. She lives near the Wrentham Outlets.
- Attendees will not bring their pets but rather a stuffed animal.
- Topics covered will include choking, cuts and seizures.
- Michael volunteered to hold this event at his new facility in Wellesley.
- Gail motioned to approve this event on March 10th, Kim seconded and all approved.

Other Events – Tobi Ann Kocher

- Water Camp – Tobi-Ann reached out to Chris and Kathan as instructors. They will confirm in early January.
- Dry Dock Seminar – planning for April.

Other Business

- Chris reported on the rescue PWD she obtained in October. He is doing great though suffered from major separation anxiety. He was placed with a couple who had recently lost a dog. It was a very successful placement!

The next meeting will be scheduled and held after Festivus.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Holden