



The Papillon Club of America, Inc  
Board Meeting  
November 4, 2019

President, Nicholas Forbes, called meeting to order at 9:05 PM EST

**Members in attendance:** Nicholas Forbes, Marcy Wyren, Lou Ann King, Kay Strohen, Beth Gray, Diana Sayre, Carrie Blair, and Carol Ochs.

**Absent:** Mary Keith Welch.

**There is a quorum.**

**Agenda was adopted.**

**The minutes of the last meeting were approved via email.**

**Reports of Officers:**

President –

Beth Gray moved that the Board authorize a USPS 2020 dues renewal mailing on or about November 1, 2019 at an estimated cost of \$600.00 for the required supplies and that the Treasurer be authorized to provide reimbursement after submission of the receipts. Motion was adopted.

Voted Yes: Marcy Wyrens, Lou Ann King, Kay Strohen, Beth Gray, Mary Keith Welch, Carol Ochs, Diana Sayre, and Carrie Blair.

Voted No:

Abstained: Nicholas Forbes.

**Vice-President** –Nothing at this time.

**Treasurer** – See attached.

**Corresponding Secretary** –Nothing at this time.

**Recording Secretary** – Dues renewal notices were sent via USPS on October 28, 2019.

I have already had a number of people renew via PayPal and snail mail.

I got a quote of around \$2,500.00 from FedEx to have them print and bulk mail the Ballot for the proposed By-Law changes. I have also contacted Bert of Molar Printing for a quote to handle the ballots. I will forward his response and price to the Board for approval once I get it.

I have been in contact with Megan Scheffler regarding being our Teller for the ballot that will be going out. She has agreed to be our Teller. The cost to have Megan do this is \$100.00.

#### **Reports of Committees:**

**Delegate to the AKC** (Arlene Czech) – Nothing reported at this time.

**2020 PCA National Specialty** (Erin Matern) - The 2020 Show Committee is working towards ensuring a great time will be had by all in Iowa.

We still need to fill these chairs; Commemoratives Chair, Hospitality Chair, Advertising Chair, Publicity Chair for the show.

We are discussing ring gate and equipment for Obedience/Rally rental with BaRay as well as other local Clubs.

For Obedience & Rally Trophies we are considering a voucher through 4PawsEmbroidery that allows for selecting the correct size and desired color of the offered award. All the placement awards can also stay the same price point. Unless the board deems a change.

On Tuesday we would like to offer a welcome party for Exhibitors and Fanciers that would include a hot dog bar, potato salad, veggie trays, with a water and iced tea station. Additionally, we are proposing a no host bar.

Gracie Stewart has agreed to Judge the costume event.

Linda Fitzmaurice has been asked to judge the 4 to 6-month puppy competition. She will also Judge the Papillon Club Of Iowa's Specialty.

For the Top 25 exhibition, Darcy would like to have this as a gala event. She would need to have screen to show pictures of the dogs and a sound system. We would alike like the cash Bar.

Lou Ann has sent proposed conformation trophies to the Board. We still need to complete the list of trophies to be offered. Still working on trophies for the Conformation 2nd,3<sup>rd</sup> and 4th places, Juniors, 4-6 Month Puppies, and the Costume event. Lou Ann is the Chair of Conformation Event and other associated events trophies. Candy is handling the Obedience/Rally, and Karen Lawrence is Handling the Agility trophies.

**AKC Gazette Columnist** (Roseann Fucillo) – Nothing reported at this time.

**Archivist** (Open) –.

**Benevolent Committee** (Art and Nancy Hattan) – Lou Ann King and Beth Gray have been forwarding all requests to us and the appropriate cards are being sent out within 24 hours.

**C&BL Revision Recommendations Committee** (Nicholas Forbes) – The proposed By-laws changes were posted on the Club's website. The Board has received comments. At this time, it is recommended that the Board move forward with the Member's vote.

**Companion Events Committee** (Candy Janke) – See 2020 PCA National Specialty Report.

**Genetics Research Committee** (Andi Meloon) – I needed to take some time to think about why the request and motion to support AKC CHF research that the PCA Genetics Committee recommended to support was turned down, and I realized many

of you may not know anything about the AKC CHF and how it works and where the money comes from in an account set up for PCA.

The AKC Canine Health Foundation (CHF) is the largest nonprofit funder of health research focused solely on dogs. Donations from individual dog lovers, dog clubs, foundations and corporations are invested in a diverse portfolio of innovative canine health research grants that aim to find better treatments, more accurate diagnosis, and an improved understanding of the mechanisms that cause disease in dogs.

I have listed below the main points that I feel the PCA Board needs to understand are:

The CHF funds are not the same funds as our PCA Genetic funds, but are Donor Advised Funds controlled by AKC CHF.

Researchers and Organizations seeking CHF funding must submit a request for a research grant to AKC CHF, which is reviewed and approved (or not) by AKC CHF.

PCA has no say over which research grants are approved for CHF funding. We can only approve use of PCA's Donor Advised Fund (i.e., our share of the CHF) for AKC CHF-approved grants.

In order to show our continued support of the AKC CHF and partnership with them as a parent club we look at research grants that may benefit our breed in the long run. Dr. Lisa Pertile, Louann Hansen, Linda Foiles and I, looked at the 2019 grants open and came up with the three we recommended at the PCA AGM this past year. We still support these three grants and hope that the PCA Board will bring the motion again to the table and vote to approve the recommendation as previously requested.

Balance in our Donor Advised Fund of the CHF account as of September 30, 2019 is \$44192.30 cents.

The PCA Board, at the GRC's request, approved use of \$9,000.00 of our CHF Donor Advised Fund to support Dr. Paola Massari's grant request Grant # 02103-A follow up on the first research work on Development of an Effective Canine Periodontal Disease Vaccine, tbacterial-induced periodontal disease. Her Oak Grant application did not make it through AKC's CHF's review process, so PCA's \$9,000.00 donation remains in our Donor Advised Fund.

Therefore, in order to show our continued support of the AKC CHF and partnership as a parent club, the GRC looked at the 2019 AKC CHF-approved research grants that may benefit our breed in the long run. Our GRC subcommittee, consisting of Dr. Lisa Pertile, Louann Hansen, Linda Foiles and myself, found three areas we feel have merit to support. The GRC is asking for Board approval to direct \$2,500.00 for each grant using our Donor Advised Fund in the AKC CHF account, for a total of \$7,000.00. These three grants are:

CHF Grant #02561- Is Gut Dysbiosis Associated with Canine Idiopathic Epilepsy?

CHF Grant #02553- Targeted next generation sequencing panel for comprehensive testing of vector-borne pathogens.

CHF Grant #02661-Investigation of Diet-Associated Dilated  
Cardiomyopathy in Dogs.

With this explanation provided, I am hoping that, at the next PCA Board Meeting in November, this GRC recommendation will be brought up again for a motion and pass. If there is anyone who would like to talk to me, Dr. Lisa Pertile, Louann Hansen or Linda Foiles on this matter, please feel free to contact us.

Hope this help. Let me know if you want me to re-review your letter.

Thanks for taking this on!

**Hall of Fame – AKC New Titles** (Nicholas Forbes) – Nothing to report at this time.

**Hall of Fame – Top Club Awards Committee** (Nicholas Forbes) – Nothing to report at this time.

**Hall of Fame – Top Producers Awards Committee** (Tracy Burdick) – Nothing reported at this time.

**Historian** (Tracy Burdick) – Nothing reported at this time.

**Illustrated Standard Committee** (Charlotte McGowan) – Nothing to Report at this time.

**Judges' Education Committee** (Lou Ann King) – Opportunity for presenting in Houston next July came via email, contact sent to a mentor in the area. Will continue to work with volunteers for this opportunity to teach people about our breed, we have mentors in the area, which are willing to present.

Doug Johnson requested a copy of PCA's power point, sent a zip drive to him. He is working on a comparison of the toy spaniels.

**Juniors Committee** (Marcy Wyrens) – Nothing to report at this time.

**Medallions and Club Pins** (Anita Wright) – Nothing reported at this time.

**Members' Education Committee** (Marion Ford) – Nothing to report right now. Still going forward with Terminology.

**Membership Committee** (Beth Gray) – We have been receiving applications from people saying they are past members. Some I have been able to find and some I have not. I am proposing the Board consider recommending to our membership changing our By-Laws regarding members who have allowed their membership to lapse for more than 10 years be required to provide documentary proof of prior membership.

**PapTalk Editor** (Open) –.

**Phalène Committee** (Janis McLaren) – Nothing reported at this time.

**Show Manual Rewrite Committee** (Carol Ochs) – We are reorganized and beginning work on updating and developing a timeline database.

**Specialty Site Search and Event Negotiations Committee** (Carol Ochs) – Nothing at this time.

**Standing Finance Committee** (Karen Murad) – Nothing reported at this time.

**Web Content Committee** (Kay Strohen) – Nothing at this time.

**Web Master**, acting (Nicholas Forbes) – The website is currently up to date.

**Unfinished business - None.**

**Election of new members** – none at this time.

## **New business**

Diana Sayre moved that the Board ratify the motions written under the President's report that were adopted via E-mail. Seconded. Motion adopted.

Voted Yes: Marcy Wyrens, Lou Ann King, Kay Strohen, Beth Gray, Carol Ochs, Diana Sayre, and Carrie Blair.

Voted No:

Abstained: Nicholas Forbes.

Marcy Wyrens moved that the Board approve the Papillon Club of Iowa, Inc. to hold its Independent Specialty, in conjunction with the Papillon Club of America's National Specialty, to be held on Tuesday, May 26, 2020 at the Holiday Inn, 6111 Fleur Drive, Des Moines, Iowa 50321. Seconded. Motion adopted.

Voted Yes: Marcy Wyrens, Kay Strohen, Beth Gray, Carol Ochs, Diana Sayre, and Carrie Blair.

Voted No:

Abstained: Nicholas Forbes and Lou Ann King.

Marcy Wyrens moved that the President be authorized to sign and execute the Agreement with Judge Linda Fitzmaurice to judge the 4-6 Month Puppies competition at our 2020 National. Seconded. Motion adopted.

Voted Yes: Nicholas Forbes, Marcy Wyrens, Kay Strohen, Beth Gray, Diana Sayre, and Carrie Blair.

Voted No:

Abstained: Lou Ann King, Carol Ochs.

Kay Strohen moved that the President be authorized to sign and execute the Agreement with Grace Stewart to judge the Costume Competition at our 2020 National. Seconded. Motion is not adopted.

Voted Yes: Marcy Wyrens, Kay Strohen, Diana Sayre.

Voted No: Beth Gray and Carol Ochs

Abstained: Nicholas Forbes, Lou Ann King and Carrie Blair.

Carrie Blair moved that the Board approve the Papillon Club of Iowa, Inc. to hold two Concurrent Specialties in Amana, Iowa alongside the Tri-City Kennel Club on Saturday, August 29, 2020 and alongside the Cedar Rapids Kennel Association, Inc. on Sunday, August 30, 2020. Seconded. Motion adopted.

Voted Yes: Marcy Wyrens, Kay Strohen, Beth Gray, Carol Ochs, Diana Sayre, and Carrie Blair.

Voted No:

Abstained: Nicholas Forbes and Lou Ann King.

Carol Ochs moved that Connie Barata be appointed the Meet The Breed Chair for the PCA, to be held on January 25 and 26, 2020 at the Javits Center in New York City, and that she be authorized to expend up to \$115.00 for such purpose as outlined in her proposed Budget. Seconded. Motion adopted.

Voted Yes: Marcy Wyrens, Lou Ann King, Kay Strohen, Beth Gray, Carol Ochs, Diana Sayre, and Carrie Blair.

Voted No:

Abstained: Nicholas Forbes.

Kay Strohen moved that the Board approve the Recording Secretary to mail the proposed By-Laws changes to the Membership for a vote, that she be authorized to spend up to \$2,500.00 for this purpose, and that the Treasurer be authorized to pay the related invoices up to this amount. Seconded. Motion adopted.

Voted Yes: Marcy Wyrens, Lou Ann King, Kay Strohen, Beth Gray, Carol Ochs, Diana Sayre, and Carrie Blair.

Voted No:

Abstained: Nicholas Forbes.

Beth Gray moved that the Board authorize the hiring of Megan Scheffler at a fee of \$100.00 to act as Teller, report the results back to the Recording Secretary, and the Treasurer be authorized to pay the related invoices up to the above fee amount. Seconded. Motion adopted.

Voted Yes: Marcy Wyrens, Lou Ann King, Kay Strohen, Beth Gray, Carol Ochs, Diana Sayre, and Carrie Blair.

Voted No:

Abstained: Nicholas Forbes.

Kay Strohen moved that Elyse Vandermolen be authorized to receive the AKC Stud Books on behalf of PCA and that the President be authorized to notify both Elyse and AKC of this change. Seconded. Motion adopted.

Voted Yes: Marcy Wyrens, Lou Ann King, Kay Strohen, Beth Gray, Carol Ochs, Diana Sayre, and Carrie Blair.

Voted No:

Abstained: Nicholas Forbes.

Diana Sayre moved that the Board approve a donation of \$2,500.00 from our AKC CHF Donor Fund Account in support of Grant 02553: Targeted next generation sequencing panel for comprehensive testing of vector-borne pathogens research that Papillons may benefit from. Seconded. Motion adopted.

Voted Yes: Nicholas Forbes, Marcy Wyrens, Lou Ann King, Kay Strohen, Carol Ochs, and Diana Sayre.

Voted No: Beth Gray and Carrie Blair.

Abstained:

Kay Strohen moved that the Board approve funding for the 2020 AKC Meet the Breed Show Guide for a fee of \$95.00 and the Treasurer be authorized to pay the related invoice. Seconded. Motion adopted.

Voted Yes: Marcy Wyrens, Lou Ann King, Kay Strohen, Beth Gray, Carol Ochs, Diana Sayre, and Carrie Blair.

Voted No:

Abstained: Nicholas Forbes.

Next meeting will be Tuesday, December 3, 2019 at 9:00 PM EST

Meeting was adjourned at 10:16 PM EST