

Board Meeting of the Barbet Club of America

February 11, 2018

The Board members of the Barbet Club of America met via phone. In attendance: Judy Descutner, President; Lynn Vogt-Kinsey, Treasurer; and Barb Gresham, Secretary. Judy called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm, ET.

- 1) The minutes from 1/8/18 were reviewed. Lynn moved to approve the minutes, pending four changes. Judy seconded. Amendments will be made to the minutes and sent to Board members.
- 2) Report of the President:
 - A) Judy deferred to the discussions under unfinished and new business.
- 3) Report of Secretary:
 - A) Barb sent out renewal reminder emails to current members as well as welcome emails to new members.
- 4) Report of Treasurer:
 - A) Lynn reported the following balances: Bank of America--\$6,626.80; PayPal--\$3,625.17 for a total of \$10,251.97.
- 5) Unfinished Business:
 - A) Meet the Breeds at Westminster: The BCA booth won First place in the Sporting Group! Many thanks to Leslie Woodward, Stefanie Forte, Donna Forte, Tracey Schnabel and Brian Bradley for their assistance manning the booth. Brian also agreed to ship the booth and contents to Judy. Dr. Jerry Klein (the AKC veterinarian) did a livestream during Meet the Breed and included a lengthy discussion on the Barbet.
 - B) Update on Plans for a Second Open Show in Wisconsin: Roy Jones will be the superintendent for these shows. Waukesha Kennel Club will run their own in order to be able to accept same day entries. Judy offered to chair the BCA Open show and the Board agreed to use Roy Jones as superintendent. Their fee is \$250 plus we need to provide our own insurance. We are fulfilling our AKC requirement to hold a second open show in a different geographical area. Valerie Black has run these shows for the Waukesha Kennel Club the past several years. She has given Judy a list of judges to choose from. Nancy Liebes was very pleased to accept. Judy will send the contract to Lynn and Barb for review. We need to start fundraising for the 2018 Orlando Open show. This needs to happen over the summer so that the sponsors' names/prizes can be listed in the premium.)
 - C) Officers: Judy asked Barb if she is still willing to assume the role of VP. Barb is willing. The Board feels it might be easier to find a new secretary than a new VP. The Board was challenged to come up with some names for Secretary by the end of February. Judy discussed that she needs to disseminate information to the other Board members. She feels that 80% of club information is on her computer. This needs to be copied to flash drives or shared on Google Drive.

- D) Membership Renewals: The club roster needs to be updated by the secretary. Renewal reminders need to be sent out to those who have not yet renewed their membership.
- 6) New Business:
- A) Photos/video for AKC Judges' Education: Judy has received from AKC photos from their Canine College. They still need to be sorted.
 - B) Barbet Litters Update: Number is now at 11 litters since January 2017. We discussed upcoming litters, thinking we may reach 20 by the end of the year.
 - C) Email coverage: At present, Judy is responding to BCA emails. This needs to be shared/delegated among the Board.
 - D) Improving member involvement in club: After discussion, the Board agreed that we should include, in both renewal emails and welcome emails, information regarding how to be more involved i.e. fundraising, newsletter articles, photos, pet/social presence; performance achievements, show accomplishments. We should include the statement: "If you have other ideas how you would like to participate, let us know."
 - E) New Member vote: Susan Payne Bacher, sponsored by Lynn Kinsey & Leslie Woodward, Ella Gardner, sponsored by Doris Newkirk, Michelle Jones, sponsored by Judy Descutner, and Robert Northington, sponsored by Stephanie Dixon were presented for new membership. Barb moved to accept all into membership. Lynn seconded the motion.
- 7) Date for Next month's meeting: March 12 or 13, pending Lynn's schedule.
- 8) Meeting was adjourned at 8:12 pm by Judy. Barb seconded the motion.

Respectfully submitted,

Barb Gresham, Secretary

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