



## **The Boxer Club of Canada Inc.**

### **Minutes of the General Meeting held on Monday September 10th, 2018**

The meeting was called to order at approx. 8:01 p.m. - on-line Moderator/Chair. – President Dave Gilmour

**Attendance: (17 Members) Anne McDougall, Christine Burton, Cindy Thomas, Dave & Patti Gilmour, Doris Avery, Francine Gillanders, Judy Jury, Karen Parton, Keith Lawson, Kimberly Smith, Marta Nettelield, Mary Curl, Melissa Mathers, Sheila McAvoy, Shirley Bell, Tammy Ranta**

**Reminder: A quick reminder that there is a prize at the end of the year for everyone that has attended a meeting, served on the exec or a committee. You get one entry for every meeting attended, committee served on or exec position. They go into a hat at the end of the year and a name is drawn.**

#### **Minutes:**

**Dave:** I would like to call the meeting to order . I f everybody could type in their name for attendance

**I would like to start the meeting off with a moment of silence for the passing of Betty Rouse**

**Dave:** I assume everyone has read the last minutes so i would like to move the minutes be accepted as written  
**Seconded by Mary**

**Dave:** Any business arising from the minutes?                      None

#### **Treasurer's Report – Kim**

- **Dave:** Kim is under the weather so we may not have a treasurer's report tonight but it will be included in the minutes
- **Mary (for Kim):** Kim just emailed it to me just after the start of the meeting
- **May 31, 2018 - Balance - \$8996.64**
  - **June – Service Charge - \$19.00, Paper Statement - \$2.00, Sheila McAvoy (Digitalized BCC Logos) - \$258.56, Mary Curl (Postage, Staples, Chatroom) - \$63.57**
  - **July – Service Charge - \$19.00, Paper Statement - \$2.00**
  - **August – Service Charge - \$19.00. Paper Statement - \$2.00**
- **August 31, 2018 - Balance - \$8611.51**

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

##### **Show Committee** Mary, Shirley

- **Mary:** The 2019 National Specialty will be held at Erie Shores in June 2019.
- **Dave:** The Bcc will host the specialty themselves as no one has stepped forward to host it

##### **Publicity:** No Report

##### **Trophy Committee:** Shawn (not in attendance)

- **Mary:** Regarding Perpetual trophies: As we cannot get in touch with Helena should the winners dog perpetual trophy that she sponsored be up for a new sponsor or designation..All mail to her is being returned
  - **Anne:** I think it should be put up for a new sponsor as I do believe Helena is in a home for the age in the Soo and she has dementia. That was the last I heard from irene, we are not even sure if she is still living.
  - **Dave:** That would explain the returned mail
  - **Mary:** I don't think she has actually "sponsored" it for a few years
  - **Mary:** Can I make a motion that the Winners dog Perpetual Trophy be put up for a new sponsor? We can post something in the minutes and on the yahoo list soliciting a new sponsor
  - **Dave:** Sure Mary
  - **Mary:** Do we need a motion or just do it?
  - **Mary:** **OK I move that the Winners dog Perpetual Trophy be put up for a new sponsor. Seconded by Anne**
  - **Karen:** Rob and I would be honoured to sponsor it if needed
  - **Dave:** I think the trophy committee can just do it especially if she hasn't done it for a few years
  - **Mary:** **OK then OI rescind the motion**
  - **Anne:** **I take back my second**
  - **Dave:** Thx Karen. If you want it it's yours.
  - **Karen:** Thank you we accept.

##### **Programme:** Lillian - (not in attendance)

- **Dave:** As Lillian is not here we will have no program. Has anybody heard from Lillian
  - **Christine:** Lillian is in Georgetown hospital. Will be there for another couple of weeks
  - **Dave:** Thanks Christine

##### **Membership Committee:** Doris

- **Doris:** No report

**Discipline Committee:** Shirley Bell

- No report

**Obedience Committee:** Marta Nettelfield

- **Marta:** No report

**Awards Committee:** Mary, Shirley & Marta

- **Mary:** No report from the committee
- **Tammy:** I'm not sure when I was supposed to bring this up LOL. I have emailed Mike but have had no response and was wondering if the obedience slash performance awards from last year had been mailed out
- **Mary:** Found my email from Mike -
  - He was waiting for a piece of equipment needed. Being a new thing... Will get them out as soon as he can. I will check with him again
- **Mary:** I heard from Mike (Tuesday am) and they now have the equipment they need and are working on the awards today. should be sent out soon.

**Special Service Award Committee:** Debbi Allardyce - not in attendance

- No Report

**Fund Raising Committee:** Patti -

- **Patti:** No Report

**Nomination committee:** Debbie - not in attendance

- No report

**Reading of General Correspondence:** Cindy Thomas

- **Dave:** Hi Cindy did you have anything for correspondence
  - **Cindy:** I will have to send anything I have to Mary by email. Not sure if I have anything or not as I haven't had time to look through emails..
  - **Dave:** Ok Will include anything you find in the minutes.
- **From Cindy after meeting:**
  - Letter of approval received from the CKC for event date application to hold the BCC Regional Specialty on April 21, 2019, in Chilliwack, BC.
  - Letter of approval received from the CKC for the judging panel for the BCC Regional Specialty being held on April 21, 2019, in Chilliwack, BC.

**Good & Welfare:** Lillian Wainwright - not in attendance

- **Dave: In place of good and welfare I am including the following info for Betty Rouse.**
  - Friends and family are invited to attend "A Time to Remember" on Sunday September 16th from 2pm to 4 pm at Oakview Funeral Home, 56 Lakeshore Road West, Oakville. In lieu of flowers, Memorial donations will be graciously accepted by the Oakville Hospital Foundation. Online condolences may be offered at <https://www.arbormemorial.ca/oakview/obituaries/betty-rouse/23615/>
- **Mary:** Bernice asked that I post this in the minutes for her as she can't be here tonight
  - **From Bernice To The Boxer Club of Canada.** Most of you will not have known Betty Rouse of Donessle Kennel. Betty passed away Mon. Sept . 3/18. Betty was a a Lifetime Member of the BCC Inc. Betty was known for her breeding both here in Canada, U.S. South Africa, she stopped breeding early in 2000. She was always available to answer questions regarding health in Boxers. This Sunday the family are holding a "Time to Remember" for Betty. I will be there and I will remember. Bernice L.

**Old Business:**

- None

**New Business:**

- **Anne:** one thing I want to bring up and maybe Dave should know. I have all the old records from years and years of the BCC records and pedigrees etc. The Rouses gave these to me when they donated some of their stuff and I have absolutely no clue to what to do with it. there are 3 options, 1.. would be to pay a company to put it all on CD's. 2 . would be to see if anyone wants to store it(I don't) and 3 would be to destroy it. maybe someone has a 4th option.
  - **Dave:** I will get hold of you later this week to chat about it Anne
- **Sheila:** I would like to ask people's thoughts on Regional specialties that some have held them year after year and i get that they want to boost numbers but when you only get 4 dogs and then the winner is a BCC Regional Specialty winner it seems very few numbers,
  - **Shirley:** I personally think overall numbers are down because there is nothing special about specialties these days...way too many of them

- **Sheila:** What I am saying is that several people have mentioned to me that these specialties are held year after year and really are not seen in a good light when there are consistently very few dogs, is there not a set number that a specialty should uphold to be granted a regional year after year?
- **Mary:** That is something to consider Sheila, Perhaps the executive should talk this over and get back to the club with ideas and thoughts on it at another meeting.
- **Christine:** Oakville club held regional this past weekend with very good entry. 9 specials, 1 bred by 1 open dog and 4 baby puppies Gloria posted results
- **Dave:** Thx Christine. That was a nice turnout
- **Sheila:** In talking with a few people, it was suggested that a minimum of 10 dog be entered to grant another regional the following year by the same club.
- **Mary:** Not a bad suggestion
- **Sheila:** When there is less than 10 I think they should have to have a plan to increase numbers or not hold the regional. We held the National and had over 64 dogs entered, i understand entries are down but the value of a regional specialty can be diminished if the numbers remain low.
- **Dave:** You wants us to tell someone they can't have a regional specialty because they have an area where the numbers are low right now
- **Sheila:** I am not saying once but year after year after year the numbers have been very low. many believe it takes away from the prestige of a BCC specialty if there are only 4 dogs. I am mainly being the messenger of a discussion of people. I agree with them, but felt it should be addressed
- **Dave:** I think whatever area you are referring to is at least trying to do something
- **Shirley:** I think more discussion is needed on this issue. Specialties should be special. There are supported entry/boosters that may help increase entries. Very costly for clubs to put on Regionals with low entry. Judges, ribbons etc.
- **Mary:** I agree with Shirley but that being said I think any member that wants to give suggestions should send them to the executive so we can discuss it further then bring back to the members
- **Dave:** I agree that we need to look at alternatives. Si if people have any ideas to fix this than contact the executive. We look forward to any suggestions.
- **Anne:** it would help if members supported the entries more. LLots of members who do not attend either national and regional.

- **Dave:** Is There any other new business?

**Dave:** If there is no more new business then I move the meeting be adjourned.

**Tammy:** Second

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

**NEXT Regular MEETING: Monday October 1st, 2018 - 8 p.m. Ontario time**

**\*NOTE: ONTARIO WILL BE ON DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME FOR THIS MEETING**

