

**MINUTES OF THE
GENERAL MEETING
OF
PORT CHESTER OBEDIENCE TRAINING CLUB**

A General Meeting of Port Chester Obedience Training Club ("Club" or PCOTC) was held at 8:14 PM, on October 30, 2019 at Port Chester Obedience Club, 220 Ferris Avenue, White Plains, NY. 10603.

Present at the meeting were the following Managers and Directors:

Barbara Napoli	President
Jeanne Meldrim	1st Vice President
Donna Fanok	Recording Secretary
Mary Skirchak	Treasury
Morganna Menzel	Director

A motion was made to waive the reading of the last Minutes as it was published in the last edition of Sit 'N Stay.

President's Report - Barbara Napoli

New AKC Title

The AKC has presented a new title, AKC Temperament Test (ATT). Mary Skirchak is the first instructor for temperament testing evaluations at PCOTC.

Lease Renewal

A committee is presently being created in order to to begin talks with our landlord.

PCOTC is now on Instagram

Join us on instagram - pcotc_dogtraining

Registration

Registration is open until November 3 @ 11:59 PM

Report of the 1st Vice President - Jeanne Meldrim

The downstairs vacuum cleaner is out for repairs. It was more cost effective to have it repaired opposed to having to replace it.

Report of the 2nd Vice President - Margaret DeFonce (Absent)

Has been working on new marketing and advertisement ideas for our club. It will be explained in full detail at our next meeting.

Report of the Treasurer - Mary Skirchak

Will be creating a new budget while trying to manage expenses.

If you are needing reimbursements take a picture of your receipt and send to Mary so your reimbursement can be made in a more timely manner

There will be an Event Request Form posted on our website which can be downloaded so that requests can be made for any planned disbursements needed at the time an event is planned.

Report of Directors - Morgaana Menzel

Morgaana will continue to update our Facebook page with any upcoming events and important news at the club. She will also be updating our new Instagram account.

Our November Agility Run Thru has been filled with a waitlist.

This weekend's Obedience and Rally trials are filled.

We will continue to hold Agility, Obedience and Rally Run Thrus throughout the winter.

Delegate Report - Kathy Gregory

- Announced at the AKC Delegate meeting were the candidates for the June elections

- The Canine Health Foundation has reported that trials and clubs are not doing enough screening for vaccinations. All entrants should be prepared to show proof of vaccination upon request at any trial or show.
- They are continuing to look into ways to make dog trials more friendly
- More funding is being delegated for drug testing of cardiac problems in dogs
- A new title and certification, AKC Temperament Test (ATT) has been implemented. This is not something to be trained but to give us a better understanding the dog's temperament in 6 elements of testing: social, auditory, visual, tactile, motion and sudden stimulus. More specifics can be found on the AKC website.

The biggest take away from this meeting is for everyone trialing and showing their dogs is to be prepared at all times with Proof of Vaccination. Also it would be prudent to have complete identification of your dogs kept in your vehicle at all times along with a contact person that can be notified in case of an emergency that will be able look after the well being of your dogs.

Next Meeting will be held on December 19, 2019 at our Holiday Party.

Adjournment

There being no further business, on motion duly made, the meeting was adjourned at 8:35 PM

Barbara Napoli
President

Donna Fanok
Recording Secretary