

Prairieland Visiting Animals Association Date: May 6, 2019

The PVAA meeting was called to order by Karen Simecka, president, @ 6:37pm, held in Rm 206 (Menninger Room of the Shawnee County Public Library). Members present: Karen Simecka, Carolyn Buono, Sharon Fricke, Jeana Johnson, Linda McHenry, Betty Rose & Carlie Gurske. .

Treasury Report: Carolyn Buono

- Ending balance: \$1,666.42, Reading Program Fund: \$302.42, Petty cash: \$23.91. Report filed with Carolyn

Minutes: Carlie Gurske

- Minutes from 3-4-19 were read & approved.

Updates

- Karen congratulated Julie on becoming an evaluator & an instructor. Julie stated that due to the unavailability of a classroom, projector, computer & like items, she is unable to move forward at this time as an instructor. Carolyn offered that she might be able to come up with the needed equipment through Prince of Peace. Carolyn will get back with Julie
- Karen spoke with Barb Smith, the memorial service for Glenn will be held in the near future. Barb has recovered from her carotid endarterectomy & feeling great.
- Jim & Jeanene Hoover are now at Brewster Place.
- Our club's newest member is Sandi Parnell & her black lab, Cali. They are with Love on a Leash.
- Club members were able to pick up their PVAA T-shirts at the meeting. For those members who ordered shirts, these may be picked up with arrangements through Karen. The shirts look nice & represent our group well. The shirts are \$8.00 a piece. Thanks Karen for the great idea of the shirts.
- Carlie met up with a previous member, George White, during her visit at KRH. George was happy to send his best regards to everyone
- Karen reported that if anyone is interested in going to St. Francis Rehab unit to call Emily Griffith.

Public Education Coordinator

- Sharon has asked for more dog team volunteers for:
 1. Stormont Vail's Cancer Center (2 openings), Juvie & Court dogs (3-4 teams now). Please contact Sharon if questions.
 2. Baker School of Nursing has asked for dog teams for the days of their final exams on May 13th through the 16th from 8:15 to 9:00 am, held in the Pozez building, second floor. Contact Sharon if interested.

Old Business

- Pet Partners Conference in San Antonio on September 21st and 22nd @ Marriott Rivercenter hotel:
- It was passed by members present at the May 6th meeting that PVAA will sponsor 4 members (Betty Rose, Carolyn Buono, Sharon Fricke, & Kathy Schlotterbeck) with \$250.00 each to attend the conference & bring back to our group special information that they learned. Sharon has offered a full scholarship to Julie Hoffman & hopefully she will plan to attend the conference. Anyone that is a Pet Partners member can attend the conference. There is conference info. available online.
- Carolyn reports that the majority of members have paid their club dues for the year.
- Linda McHenry compiled a list of our group dog team's visiting schedule which was handed out to those present. Any changes regarding the list should be sent to Linda @ mchenry@cox.net. Great job Linda.
- Julie is requesting pictures of our dog's while they are visiting with people @ julie199@aol.com.

New Business:

- Karen inquired about our brochures & business cards are being printed. It was brought up that Cappers would print both brochures & business cards for us. We would have to fold the brochures ourselves & Julie needs to provide the club logo for the business cards before they can be printed.
- Karen mentioned that on Sat, June 1st is Responsible Dog Ownership Day @ Shelter House # 6 @ Lake Shawnee on the east side of the lake. Times are 10-2. Contact Karen if interested.
- June 8th is PVAA picnic @ Prince of Peace church, @ 5:30p in the basement, west door. RSVP to Carlie. Table service will be provided as well as Dillon's chicken. Those attending are asked to bring a side dish. If bringing your well behaved dog also bring their poop bag. There is a fenced in playground at the church for the dogs to roam in..
- Sat, June 15th dog evaluations will be held @ Prince of Peace church. Sharon will have more information regarding this in a future email.
- Karen brought up that Reading With Prairieland dogs begins on Sundays in June @ the Topeka Shawnee County library from 2-3pm. If interested, email Karen.

Meeting adjourned @ 740pm.

Secretary,

Carlie Gurske