



IWANE Member Meeting Minutes

Saturday, June 18, 2022

Middlesex County 4H Fairgrounds

Call to Order:

The IWANE president called the membership meeting to order at approximately 12:30pm. The following board members were present: Colleen Brown (CB), John Fitzgerald (JF), Lee Loebelenz (LL), and Joni Light (JL). Janel Milner (JM), Andrea Dormady (AD), and Karen Eberl (KE) were absent.

The following members were present: Justine Corchado, Sherry Mayo, Sue Gilson, Stuart Gilson, Kristol Ballod, Ross Moxon, Bill Wimsatt, Beth Wimsatt, Pat Scelso, Mike Meyer, Jen Sula, Donna Sula, Sybil Owens, Rosemary Wortman, Bev Alba, Karen Cohen, Seth Cohen, Sarah Heil, Luke Soehnlén, Chris Moncada (apologies for anyone missed as not everyone signed the sheet)

Guests: Marty Higgins, Ellen Carter, Lisa Leblanc

Agenda:

A meeting was scheduled in conjunction with the general meeting as per IWANE By-laws, Article II, Section 3. JL was recording the minutes. IWANE will be referred to as "The Club" henceforth. Agenda items may be in slightly different order than noted.

Opening Remarks:

Our new president, CB, welcomed everyone to the fun match, and thanked everyone for submitting their votes for Sportsmanship Award. Thanks went to Pat Scelso for his judging of the Sanctioned Match, and gift was presented. CB also introduced new board member, Beth Wimsatt, who is replacing Karen James who stepped down.

CB gave an overview of the specialty that is to be held in East Windsor, CT on September 18 and 19 noting that there were plans to hold a Fast CAT trial, as well as a Rally event, all of which were pending AKC approval. At the specialty, plans are to open the boutique with IWANE calendar sales. JL told members that the special price is given at the specialty of \$20.00 per calendar which saves on shipping costs. CB noted that calendars must be purchased and picked up at the show, and no "holds" will be made. Calendars will be available for shipping after the show through our Facebook Group Page but will be offered at a cost of \$25.00 each. CB confirmed that there will be heart testing and that members will be offered an advanced sign up as IWANE is donating \$5,000 to the Irish Wolfhound Foundation in support of Dr. Tyrell's expertise. Heart testing is available to members at no cost.

CB notified members that the Club is looking for locations to hold our Fun Match in 2023, as it will be unlikely to be held again at the 4H facility in Westford. JL asked members to share thoughts with her via email or to contact any of the board members with ideas.

CB told members that the specialty in 2023 will likely be held in June due to numerous conflicts with the September dates. She continued that when this is confirmed the Fun Match will swap dates and be held in the fall. CB encouraged members to think about potential judges for the specialty in 2024.

Old Business:

Mike said he would get a cost per trophy and send to Karen E. to forward available trophies for sponsorship to members.

Pat talked about supported entries post-Covid, and how shows in general are not getting high entries. He is looking to the Club for better communication on those supported entries.

The member meeting was adjourned at 1:00pm by a motion by JF and seconded by Pat Scelso.

Submitted and approved:

Approved, September 18, 2022

Joni Light

IWANE Secretary