

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

A General Meeting of Port Chester Obedience Training Club (“Club” or PCOTC”) was Held at 7:32 P.M. EDT on June 23, 2022 at Port Chester Obedience Club, 220 Ferris Avenue, White Plains, NY 10603.

Present at the meeting were the following Managers and Directors:

Kathy Gregory	President
Katherine Jochen	2nd Vice President
Donna Fanok	Recording Secretary
George Berger	Director
Linda Kaplan	Director

Minutes of the Last Meeting - Upon the distribution of the Minutes of the Last Meeting to the members of the Board a motion was duly made to waive the reading of the Minutes of the Last Meeting and accept them.

President’s Report - Kathy Gregory

From the President:

First, we would like to thank you all for joining us tonight during what has been a very rainy day. To me, this expresses more than anything else, your commitment to the future of this Club.

We would like to say a special thank you to previous Board Members who gave so much of their time and energy during the unprecedented two years of the Pandemic.

We have just lived through financial , economic, health and communication challenges unprecedented in our history. Through it all, this Club has continued to hold classes in all but the first four months of lockdowns.

We acknowledge that there has been a lack of communication, of an exchange of ideas and information between Members of the Board and of

Cub Members during this time, leading to a lack of understanding of the workings of the Cub and frustration of the members when their concerns are not addressed and resolved. We are determined that this will change.

With this meeting, with the casting of a single vote by our Recording Secretary to elect the incoming members of the Board, we hope to turn our a new page in the Club's history and start anew. The Members of the Board bring with them new talents, fresh ideas and hands and minds willing to help get the Club moving in the right direction again.

Among other topics, this Board will focus on:

- Regular and timely responsiveness to the Members*
- Acquiring additional skilled instructors for all sports to beef up our programs*
- Participation in events with other dog agencies to raise awareness of the value of the canine/human bond and the run you can have with your dog.*
- Offering first-class events to the public with uniform information provided and friendly, informed volunteers available to assist.*
- A review and possible revision of the Club's By Laws to update and allow for remote meetings and possible voting, outside of the present Covid Waivers.*
- Finalization of our Lease Agreement.*
- Finalization of our 2021 financial audit.*
- Strengthening of security around the Cub's financial systems and Membership information.*
- Education regarding parliamentary procedures for the smooth running of Club Meetings.*
- Providing every reason to allow Club Members to be proud of their Membership at Port Chester and speak well of their experience at the Club.*

With the sitting of the new Members of the Board we welcome new talent, new enthusiasm, and new ideas to move the Club forward in safer, healthier times. Because I am an Instructor here, my personal email address is listed on our website. From now on please use the president@pcotc.org website for any emails you wish to send to me in my official capacity.

It should not have to be mentioned, but please, please keep your emails mannerly and respectful. You will receive a timely response.

Unfinished Business

We will continue with our Lease Negotiations.

The Audit is continuing to be worked on toward completion in the near future.

The Club wi-fi is in the process of being repaired and upgraded at this time.

Election of Officers and Board

There having been no further requests for Board Nominations the Nominating Committee has nominated the following members:

1st Vice President	Barbara Shubinski
Treasurer	Bruce Shuffler
Corresponding Secretary	Sharon Ripps
Director	Jeanne Meldrim

A motion was duly made and accepted by Donna Fanok, Recording Secretary, for the slate of the Nominating Committee.

These duly seated Members shall be accorded all the traditional rights, responsibilities and obligations delineated to their office as prescribed in our Constitution and By Laws.

New Business

The resurrection of the Sit N Stay in some form. Volunteers will be needed.

There being no further business, on motion duly made, the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Kathy Gregory, President

Donna Fanok, Secretary

