

**Marion-Alachua Dog Training Club  
Board of Directors Minutes – April 14, 2015**

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM by President Joan Stewart. Board members Joan Stewart, Carol Harrison, Donna Hamm, Cindy Elliott Deak, Karen VanGunst, Brenda Allison, Robin Stewart and Sally Shaw were present. Charlotte Trentelman and Marti Price were absent.

Bob Saputo was invited to present the UKC Trial Summary.

- Total of 259 runs over 4 trials
- Estimated profits are \$1,936, including UKC pre-trial run-throughs. There may be some minor adjustments to follow.
- The committee suggests offering this trial only once per year.
- Missy Holycross is preparing a summary to submit.

The board thanked Bob and the committee for a job well done.

**MINUTES** – Minutes for these meetings were presented for approval: BOD Minutes 03/10/2015 and Spec BOD Meeting of 3/24/2015.

**MOTION** by Cindy Elliott Deak was seconded to approve both sets of minutes as presented. **MOTION** carried unanimously.

-- **President's Report:** Joan Stewart

--Joan had no report as the information will be covered in the agenda.

-- **Corresponding Secretary:** Charlotte Trentelman

-- Joan reported that Charlotte continues to answer questions on behalf of the club from voice mail.

-- **Treasurer's Report:** Cindy Elliott Deak

--Cindy reported the club's financials both written and orally. Year-to-date financials are looking very good.

--She suggested that the board consider some type of member management software in order to better communicate and manage the lists. Software to be identified for further consideration.

--Two thank you notes were received thanking the club for its support of the Youth Fair.

-- **Training Director:** Sally Shaw

--No incidents to report.

--CGC and CGCA testing will be offered on Monday, April 21.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**AKC Obedience Trial** – Carol Harrison

--Carol identified that Karen is recruiting stewards for the event. Pieter, Judy and Bob have offered to do burgers. A vendor has approached the committee. It was discussed that vendor fees for the agility trial are \$25/day, plus an additional \$5 if electric is required.

**AKC Rally Trial** – Carol Harrison

--Premium is being prepared. Still discussion on fans if the building is to be used. Perhaps another location can be identified for the June trial.

**AKC Agility Trial** – Cindy Elliott Deak

--October trial will have a special event in addition to regular classes.

--February dates have been secured with SELP

**DACOF** – Donna Hamm

--Planning team run-throughs for team practice.

--There was some discussion of the make-up of the team, but no changes were made.

--Early entries are being prepared to meet the postmarked date of May 2 to obtain the early entry discounts.

**DOCOF** – Carol Harrison

--There was discussion as to the number of teams MADTA had agreed to send to DOCOF. When the DACOF team was discussed, it was also discussed that whatever was done for DACOF would also apply for DOCOF. The DACOF team was limited to 1 team, no travel expenses and no assistance with the required raffle basket.

**BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT AND COST CONTAINMENT COMMITTEE:** Karen VanGunst

--Karen demonstrated the traveling marketing kiosk that Jim and Joan Stewart made for the club. It will be available for members to "check-out" to take to community events to help market the club. The board was grateful for the traveling kiosk.

--Karen is printing color brochures for the club at no cost.

--Advertising continues in the Ocala Star Banner for classes.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

--**Sale of the Airport Road Property**

-- An offer was received from Brad Dinks for \$145,000 with a 14 day due diligence period and closing in early May. Joan has also received a letter of intent from Home Run Realty for \$158,000 with initially 90-days of due diligence and then reduced to 30-days of due diligence. If the property is not acceptable for their purposes, they're requesting a full

refund of earnest money deposit at the conclusion of due diligence. Closing would be 15 days following the due diligence period. This is not a contract, just a letter of intent.

Joan advised that Charlotte had provided a phone number for Chris Trentelman and indicated he was available to answer any questions the board might have regarding the matter.

There was discussion regarding both proposals.

**MOTION** by Donna was seconded, "to submit a counteroffer to the Dinkins offer accepting the contract as presented with the exception of striking the buyer's broker commission." **MOTION** carried unanimously.

--**By-Laws** – Karen VanGunst

Karen reported that the committee had met but was not prepared to present changes quite yet.

--**Open House** – May 8 from 6-9 PM. Some treats from Publix will be available. The building will be decorated and some demos will be planned.

--**Lure Coursing Equipment – deferred**

--**Agility Field** – Janet Barber is arranging for the fill dirt and leveling with her neighbor. Still planned.

--**Website Retooling** – Barbara Copping will not continue as web-master passed her current contract. The board will look for a new web master.

--**MADTA Logo** – Cindy reported that she spoke to two people regarding developing artwork for the logo. One declined. There was discussion as to whether or not it would be desirable to use the MADTA building blocks that Barb Copping put on the website. Need to discuss with Barb to determine who owns the building blocks. MADTA or Barb.

--**Security Camera** – In progress. Andrew Deak is in the process of selecting a suitable camera.

--**Barn Hunt** – Donna would see what dates might be available, Cindy would clarify with Lorri Griffin fees for trial secretary and rat wrangler and Robin would develop costs for building required fencing.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

--**Board Member Vacancy** – Joan reported that Marti has been ill, but is recovering. Marti has indicated that she does not feel she is well enough to continue on the board. The board was grateful for her service, but understood her need to step down.

**MOTION** by Donna was seconded, "to nominate Leslie Pope-Hall to fill the vacancy until the next election." Donna confirmed that she had spoken with Leslie and she is willing to accept the appointment. **MOTION** carried unanimously.

--**Parking**. Joan identified that Curt has rented his remaining vacant space. There are 4 spaces for the new tenant Patrick Heating & Air, 4 spaces for Dory Funk who primarily uses their spaces on Wed., Thurs and Friday. Joan will work with Curt on some way to identify ownership of the spaces.

--**Fees** – Donna reported she had received some feedback from the agility folks and the drop-in pricing for the Thursday class as felt to be too high because the class is not offered regularly. The board determined that the Agility Thursday night offering when it's an instructor lead class will be a "Special Class" and is priced at \$10/member and \$12 non-members. Run-throughs on Thursday will be charged at the run-through rates.

Meeting adjourned at 9:35 PM

Respectfully submitted -- Donna Hamm, Recording Secretary