

**Marion-Alachua Dog Training Club
Board of Directors Minutes – June 9, 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, Charlotte Trentelman, Karen VanGunst, Brenda Allison, Robin Stewart, and Sally Shaw were present. Leslie Pope-Hall was absent.

Melanie Magamol was an invited guest for Lure Coursing.

MINUTES – Minutes for the May 12, 2015 minutes were presented for approval.

MOTION by Cindy Elliott Deak was seconded to approve the minutes as amended. **MOTION** carried unanimously.

MOTION by Karen VanGunst was seconded to approve the minutes of the executive session on May 12, 2015. **MOTION** carried unanimously.

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

--Joan reported there was an error in the deed transferring the property. It was corrected and signed and all is well.

--Florida AKC membership fee has been paid.

Lure Coursing Ability Item was moved up to accommodate our guest.

Melanie reported that Coursing Ability Tests (CAT) are well attended. The equipment costs about \$4,000 and requires 4 people to run the equipment and perform maintenance on the course. She estimated for a 2-day event there would be about 200 runs with entry fees at \$5000 – expenses for ribbons, volunteers, judges, venue, etc. It would not take many events to pay the start up costs and begin contributing to the bottom line.

MOTION by Robin Stewart, was seconded “to authorize the purchase of lure coursing equipment at a cost not to exceed \$4,000.” **MOTION** carried unanimously.

-- **Corresponding Secretary:** Charlotte Trentelman

--The officers list was sent to AKC,

--Received thank you notes from trial exhibitors

--Continue to monitor the club's phone to answer questions or direct to appropriate members.

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

--Cindy reported the club's financials both written and orally.

--Since the club is registered as a 501(c)4, the club should sponsor some community events to remain in compliance with the regulations.

--Errors and Omissions policy was renewed.

--There was a ring rental on Thursday AM from 9:00 AM to about 10:15 AM with 2 dogs. Fans and lights were being used. No ring rental income or ring rental sign off in the book has been received.

--To make it clearer to the members end-time will be established for Open Floor and Classes. If anyone stays beyond those times to work their dogs, they need to be paying ring rental fees.

--The discussion indicated that a ring rental policy is in place and infractions should be billed according to the policy.

-- **Training Director:** Sally Shaw

--There was a fall on the agility field. No injuries reported.

--There was an incident at the Lure Coursing Fun Day. Still investigating.

--Agility equipment for the training field is required. Need:

--Tunnel holders – 3 sets

--Double Jump

--Wings (Can be built, but need materials)

MOTION by Carol Harrison, was seconded “to approve up to \$1,000.00 for the items identified by the Training Director.”

MOTION carried unanimously. Cindy Elliott Deak offered to obtain pricing.

--Agility field leveling. Janet Barber is working on getting this done. Costs are about \$30/load and may need 3 loads. Tentatively planned for Tuesday, June 16.

--Renewal of the club's web domain fees have been set up to auto draft.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

AKC Rally Trials – Carol Harrison

--The trial is all set for June dates. Judges are taken care of.

--Venues for future trails in Marion County will be considered for future if needed. Venues mentioned were Jumbolair, Ocala Shriners Club, OBS and the Armory.

--September trial planning is in progress. Barbara Copping will continue. Carol has put in for January dates.

AKC Agility Trial – Cindy Elliott Deak

--October – still planning.

--Waiting for approval of the premiere class

--Renting an additional light curtain for the second ring. May consider the purchase of the 2nd timing unit for future, but rental is fine for this trial.

--She has secured Mark Upshaw as one of our judges for the February 2016 trial.

--Preliminary judge recruitment for October 2016 may be Cynthia Kean and Sheila Gutteriez.

UKC MULTI-VENUE TRIAL

--Joan reported that the committee will hold the April 2016 event and need approval from the board to submit the applications.

MOTION by Carol Harrison was seconded, "to approve the UKC Trial for April 2016." **MOTION** carried unanimously.

BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT AND COST CONTAINMENT – Karen VanGunst

--The Ocala Star Banner ads continue to provide leads for students

--Looking for opportunities for our traveling Kiosk to get our message to the community.

DACOF – Donna Hamm

--Good attendance at practice. Team 1 changed a bit and buddy team is in place.

DOCOF – Carol Harrison

--Recruiting for the teams.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

--**Lease Renewal:** Discussion on the length for which we should exercise our lease renewal options. No decisions made.

--**Cooling the Building.** Quotes were discussed for both Big Ass Fan and Hummongus Fans as cooling options. No decisions made.

--**Nominating Committee.** Ask for members to join the committee at the next meeting. Charlotte Trentleman will represent the board, but does not wish to chair the committee.

As several members needed to leave, a special meeting was called for 6 PM on June 16 to conclude the agenda for this meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 PM

Respectfully submitted -- Donna Hamm, Recording Secretary