Marion-Alachua Dog Training Association, Inc. General Meeting Minutes, August 16, 2016

The regular monthly meeting of the Marion-Alachua Dog Training Association was held on August 16, 2016 beginning at 7:03 PM. A quorum was present. All members of the Board were present with the exception of Board Member Carol Harrison. A **motion** by Pat Paulding was seconded to approve the minutes of the June 21, 2016, General Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

President—President Brenda Allison reported that new tenant will be moving into the building across the parking lot from MADTA. The tenant is a lawn service business and plans to fence and gate the area behind (west) of the building to protect some equipment he plans to store there. MADTA will have a key to the gate for parking access.

Corresponding Secretary—Connie Adams reported that paperwork had been received for the upcoming trial.

Treasurer—Cindy Deak provided a verbal report of club balances to date. Very little income was received in July and a loss was reported.

Training Director—Sally Shaw reported that new classes began on August 1 with good attendance. A CGC/CGCA evaluation will be held at the end of the session on September 19 and volunteers were requested to assist. The next session begins September 26.

Committee Reports

AKC Obedience and Rally Trials—No report. Trial Chair Carol Harrison was absent.

AKC Agility Trials—Trial Chair Cindy Deak reported that she will continue as Trial Chair after the September elections. The old Trial Committee will be disbanded and a new Committee formed at the Annual Meeting in September.

Entries for the October 7-9, 2016, trial are coming in slowly, with the closing date a month away. The Committee plans to hire some help to unload and load the equipment. Judges for the trial are Jeff Boyer and Cynthia Kean. Becky Stewart is soliciting volunteers for the trial.

No venue for the February trial as been found. The Committee is looking into two options; holding a smaller trial at MADTA, moving the trial to another date on a one-time basis.

An April trial hosted at MADTA is planned.

UKC Trial—Trial Chair Bob Saputo reported that the UKC trial is planned for April 15-16, 2016. Judges will be Bob Saputo, Agility, Lee Saputo, Obedience, and Brenda Allison, Rally. Volunteers will be needed to assist.

Lure Coursing—Melanie Magamoll reported that the equipment has been tested and is operating perfectly. She is hoping to hold fun runs in September, October, and November,

and we should be ready to begin CAT testing after that. Venues are now being sought. Desiree Lerro and Cindy Deak offered suggestions.

Conformation—Leslie Pope-Hall reported that a Conformation Match is scheduled for October 15, 2016, at MADTA. Diane Keady will serve as Match Judge.

Business Development—Karen Van Gunst reminded the club of the October 8, 2016 Blessing of the Animals at Grace Episcopal Church. Mary Anne Fitch is coordinating.

Jennifer Edwards has agreed to design a new MADTA brochure.

Membership—Member Chair Mary Anne Fitch reported:

First Readings

Carol Burridge

Dan and Millie Mainwaring

Second Readings

Tammy and William Goughan

Carol and Kyle Rike

Motion to approve second readings for membership carried unanimously.

Election—Brenda Allison reported the Nomination Committee's slate as follows:

President Joan Stewart Vice President Mary Riley

Treasurer Cindy Elliott Deak
Recording Secretary Donna Hamm
Corresponding Secretary Pat Paulding
Training Director Board Member Diane Seibel
Board Member Robin Stewart

Additional nominations from the floor were received as follows:

President Bob Saputo, nominated by Mary Anne Fitch Board Member Aline Brisendine, nominated by Alice Bixler A **Motion** by Cindy Deak to close the nominations was approved unanimously.

Unfinished Business—None

New Business—Linda LaFrance reported that she is hosting an eye clinic at her home September 4 with Dr. Kathy Barrie.

Mary Anne Fitch is coordinating a 100th Birthday Party for member Andy Wendelberg on September 11 at 1:00 PM at the Saputo's home. One well-behaved dog per member is welcome. Please bring a covered dish, but no gift.

With no further business, Cindy Deak moved to adjourn at 7:57 PM. **Motion** carried unanimously.

Joan Stewart, Acting Recording Secretary