

Marion-Alachua Dog Training Association
BOD Meeting Minutes
June 18, 2019

Meeting was called to order by President, Mary Riley, at 5:40 PM.

Present: Mary Riley, President (via phone) Regina Compton, Vice President
 Melanie Magamoll, Treasurer Carrie Solomon, Training Director
 Connie Adams, Recording Secretary
 Aline Brisendine, Member At Large

Melanie made a **MOTION** to approve the Board Minutes of May 21, 2019. It was seconded and passed.

Mary requested Carrie Solomon add the roll call to the Special Board Meeting minutes from 6/7/19. A **MOTION** was made by Melanie Magamoll seconded and approved to approve the Special Board Meeting minutes from 6/7/19 with the addition of the Roll Call.

President's Report -- Mary provided an update on MADTA's application to be approved as a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization. The application was not approved. The reason given was that MADTA did not meet the standard of being an educational organization. A general discussion ensued to determine what our next step should be. Mary mentioned that Mary Schribner, CPE might be good to talk to about what we can do to support our case for reconsideration. Mary will follow up with her.

Mary asked the Board to approve Connie Adams as our new Recording Secretary until our next Board elections in light of Joan Stewart's recent resignation. A **MOTION** was made by Carrie Solomon, seconded and approved to approve Connie Adams as our Recording Secretary until the next Board elections.

Corresponding Secretary's Report – (Sue Veres via email) Sue has approval from AKC for the Agility Trials being held on October 4-6, 2019. AKC approval pending Judges' panel for February 8, 2020.

Treasurer's Report – No Report

Training Director's Report- Carrie reported that we have earned just over \$9,000 in class revenue from Session 3 that began the week of 6/10/19 with over 120 students registered in our classes.

Carrie wants to hold another Instructor's meeting soon to discuss clubhouse safety to minimize dog to dog incidents and make a plan for the short session at the end of 2019.

Discussion about the need for all dogs to be in crates when not working. It was decided that the registration form for the lower level obedience classes would continue to state that dogs must be under leash control or crated when not in an active exercise. This mirrors the Training Policy statement, too. Mary suggested having the video "Crate Games" by Susan Garrett shown before the beginning of the Puppy Class.

Niki Bouland has requested permission to hold another Dock Diving Class. We will advertise it again and, as long as it breaks even, continue to offer these classes.

Incident Report(s) – A discussion to let Joan Steward have her dog in the building without a muzzle was held. It was decided that anytime Beau is in the building he should be muzzled as originally agreed on at the Special Board Meeting to discuss this.

Mary Riley gave a report on procedures to be followed after Lisa Ussery's threatening behavior at the FASA trial held at MADTA on June 8, 2019. A letter will be sent to Lisa advising her that she will no longer be allowed on MADTA grounds or be allowed to participate in any MADTA sponsored events.

It was also decided that all incident reports are to be submitted to the board within 48 hours of its occurrence or no action by the board will be taken. Instructors must comply with this. Our current incident reporting form will be adjusted to reflect this.

Committee Reports

AKC Agility Trial – Annette Miller will be the new Chair and Janet Barber will work with her.

DOCOF – Aline Brisendine has her Rally teams ready. All but Masters have substitutes if necessary. She will need to send in her DOCOF/RALLY information with a check before the end of July.

DACOF – no report

Conformation Committee – No Report

Programs Committee – Beverly Carr will report at General Meeting

Sunshine Committee – Sue Veres is absent – no report

Grounds Committee – It was requested that Janet Barber submit 2 invoices one for Grading and one for the Agility Field.

Unfinished Business

Bond for board – waiting for Sportsman to advise what company will take it on.

Linda Hubbard requested she be granted the \$100 allowed to Instructors in order to attend the Victory Hewlett Seminar

Social Media for Fund Raising – still on hold until the 501 (C)(3) is resolved

Wild Apricot – Been approved by Wild Apricot to have payments done on line. Jenifer Edwards working on it

Building Facility Manager – Lee Bass is the Manager and all problems relating to the building should be addressed by him.

- **New Business** – Diane Keedy gave the Board a proposal for a dog supply "Buyers Club" for MADTA members. After a long, lengthy discussion it was decided that this would just not work as we do not have the room to store the dry

food or refrigeration for the raw. Nor do we have room for dog supplies—i.e., leashes/collars/etc. It was also decided that this is not what MADTA is here for. We are a training club not a food/supply distributorship. Voted down.

- Cleaning Committee – reports at General Meeting
- Nominating Committee – Lucretia VanVorst will chair
- Board gave authorization to give Elizabeth Vannoy a MADTA shirt as a way of saying thank you for all the volunteering she does.

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MOTION TO ADJOURN was made by Carrie Soloman and seconded. Meeting adjourned at 7:00 P.M.

Connie Adams
Recording Secretary