

**Marion-Alachua Dog Training Association
General Meeting Minutes
June 19, 2018**

Call to Order by President Mary Riley at 7:00 PM. A quorum was declared

Approve Minutes – Minutes of the May 15, 2018, General Meeting were presented for approval. One correction was noted in the spelling of Diane Keedy's last name. **MOTION** by Pat Paulding to approve the General Meeting minutes was seconded and approved.

President's Report – President Mary Riley.

Mary gave a detailed update on the new building. The bank has approved a loan of up to \$350,000. Beeline Construction believes it can be built for a little less than the approved amount. The proposal is for a 6,500 square foot building with an expandable wall. Current costs include Architect - \$14,000, Engineer - \$14,000, Surveyor - \$4,000. Closing costs are approximately \$15,000. Current contract estimate does not include landscaping and painting. Mary asked members to help with those two items with donations of material and labor. The building will be air conditioned and the floor will be artificial turf or concrete, depending on the cost. The property owner, J&J Tack, has agreed to sell two acres for \$80,000 cash with a five-year option to purchase the third acre and will hold the mortgage at 5.5%.

MOTION by Bob Saputo to approve the purchase of the property and construction of a building as presented, was seconded and approved.

Corresponding Secretary's Report – Sue Veres

No Report

Treasurer's Report – Lisa Forbes

Lisa presented the bank balances for the period.

Training Director's Report – Brenda Allison (absent)

- No Report .

Committee Reports

- Membership (Mary Anne Fitch) – Mary Anne asked two guests, Patricia Donaldson and Margaret Taylor to introduce themselves. No applicants for membership were present.
- AKC Obedience (Carol Harrison) – Carol reported on DOCOF and the January Obedience Trial.
- AKC Rally (Carol Harrison) – The June 16-17 Rally Trial held at the Citrus County Training Center was a success.
- AKC Agility (Joan Stewart) – (absent) no report
- AKC CAT Events (Melanie Magamoll) Everything is set for MADTA's 3 Fast CAT tests this winter. The committee is also conducting Fast CAT tests for the Dog Obedience Club of Daytona in January and in Lakeland in February.
- UKC Trial (Bob and Lee Saputo) – Karen VanGunst reported that the committee has decided to raise the fees for the November Trial.
- Training Committee – No report.
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AD HOC Committees

- Publicity (Tammy Goughan) – MADTA has been invited to participate in the Marion County Fair October 16 through November 4. It will require approximately 70 hours of volunteer time if MADTA decides to participate. No decision was reached.
- Awards (Jennifer Edwards) – Mary reminded the membership of the Awards Banquet on July 17 at the Elks Club at 6:00.
- DACOF (Becky Stewart) – Becky reported the DACOF teams were practicing. She asked for raffle donations.
- DOCOF (Aline Brisendine) – Aline is still looking for open and utility dogs for the second DOCOF team.
- Conformation (Amanda Stapleton) – No report.
- Programs Committee (Beverly Carr) – No report.
- Sunshine (Sue Veres - absent) – Bob Buchhofer remains in the hospital
- New Home Property Search – (Susan Acosta) – See President's Report.
- Training Policy (Mary Riley) – The committee is working on training policies.

- 501(c)(3) – (Susan Acosta) – The committee is pushing to complete the 501(c)(3) application process as soon as possible, after which donations to the club will be tax deductible. Cost to file is \$800.

Unfinished Business – No reports.

New Business

- Mary reported our landlord has expressed interest in purchasing the Big Ass fans and agility field lights. No decision has been made.
- Regina reported that 4H training will be held at MADTA. Aline Brisindine and Alice Bixler will teach Rally; Regina and Lee Bass will teach Obedience; and Becky Stewart, Sue Marr, and Robin Stewart will teach Agility.
- A Nominating Committee has been formed. Alice Bixler is the chair. Regina Compton is the Board representative and Pat Paulding and Lee Bass are members. Sue Hares and Tammy Goughan are alternates.
- Mary reported that the Board approved a Junior Showcase event in Tampa the same weekend as our Obedience trial in 2019.

MOTION to adjourn by Connie Adams was seconded. **MOTION** carried.

Adjourned at 8:15 PM.

Regina Compton, Vice President for
Joan Stewart
Recording Secretary