

General Meeting Minutes

Marion Alachua Dog Training Association

DATE: Nov 15, 2022

CALL TO ORDER: 7:03 PM by President Kevin Barbagallo

There were 33 members and 4 guests present. QUORUM? Yes

GUESTS: (1st reading): Andrea Richard, Michelle Hinshaw, Ellen Farmer (2nd/3rd reading): Nan Dupuy, MJ Douglas

Karen VanGunst moved to change the order of business if necessary. The motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM October 2022

Connie Adams moved to accept the minutes as submitted. The motion passed unanimously.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT- Kevin Barbagallo

Braggs and birthdays were recognized.

Guests were introduced.

Update on purchases/renovation quotes:

- New timer and PA system were purchased and can in handy at the FASTCAT trial
- Battery vacuums are installed and available for use any time
- A canine first aid kit has been placed in the clubhouse
- A quote was requested for an awning above the door- the company is backed up a few weeks out
- Adding windows in the doors will likely be too expensive, most likely the door will just be replaced with a door with a window
- Mat cleaning- have been experimenting with different cleaning solutions and methods
- New lock for office and the lockbox are on hold- have not had problems

Update of by-laws and policies and procedures- Joan Stewart and Karen VanGunst have worked on updates, will be presented to the membership for voting

Member vote required to increase daily building rental rate from \$200 to \$300 per day. Board voted in favor of increase at April 2022 board meeting, member vote needed to finalize.

Dianne Bryant moved to raise the building rental fee from \$200 to \$250 per day, and the cleaning fee from \$80 to \$100. The motion passed unanimously.

Looking to form new committees- if you would like to serve on a committee, please contact Kevin Barbagallo to indicate your interest. A new Education/Seminar committee is being headed by MJ Douglas. Also looking for members for a Social committee to plan club events.

TREASURER'S REPORT- Lisa Forbes

The balances as of 11/14/22 were reported. No corrections were made.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

TRAINING DIRECTOR- Betsy Powers- next session of 28 classes will begin January 2nd. Registration will open for members on 11/28, and for non-members on 12/5. The website has been updated, and new classes are listed for preview.

AKC AGILITY- Eric Stratmann- The next trial will be December 2-4 at MADTA (one ring). Volunteers are needed.

AKC FASTCAT- Randy Donaldson- The trial went well, volunteers were great, and the new timer and PA system worked well. The next FASTCAT will be 1/7-8. A bigger trailer may soon be needed for the supplies.

AKC OBEDIENCE/RALLY- Betsy Powers- 1/8 is an obedience Show 'N Go. The trial is 1/20-22- volunteers are needed for a half day at a time. Volunteers will also be needed to help clean the building and set up/tear down on Thursday 1/19 and Sunday 1/22 afternoon/evening.

SCENTWORK- Judy Leitzsch- Absent, classes are on Thursdays, looking at options for holding a trial

UKC TRIALS- Bob Saputo- The trial went well, partnership with the weight pull event was popular. Planning to invite them again next trial and to look at adding scent work.

SUNSHINE- Leslie Anderson- Absent, please send news to Leslie for sunshine needs

MEMBERSHIP- Cheryl Donaldson moved to accept new members MJ Douglas and Nan Dupuy. The motion passed unanimously.

VOLUNTEERS- Dianne Bryant- at events only, volunteers have put in 4,853 hours

NEW BUSINESS

Open House- discussion was had about an open house. It would include sampling of a variety of dog sports our club offers, food, and fellowship. Members preferred to make it a members only event. Dates and details will be reviewed.

Christmas Party- 12/20/22 6PM- instead of gifts, please bring donations for Project PUP (dry food, wet food, ziploc bags, coffee cups, puzzle books, milk bones). If you have a special Christmas dish you would like to bring, or decor, ornaments, etc. you would like to donate or loan for decorating, please email Victoria DeArmond.

Basics of Canine Conditioning Seminar- 2/5, 8-12 (MADTA members only) and 1-5:30pm (open to the public). 12 working spots per session-\$50 each, unlimited audit spots \$20. Seminar will review conditioning exercises, including her own demo dogs to show how to perform the exercises. MJ Douglas will have details.

ADJOURNMENT at 8:14pm by general consent

Next meeting: 12/20/22 6PM (short business meeting, followed by Christmas party)