

General Meeting Minutes June 15, 2021
Marion Alachua Dog Training Association

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 pm, by Vice President Niki Bouland.

There was a quorum.

It was announced that masks were no long required in the building.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the General Meeting Minutes of May 18, 2021, with corrections. Motion passed.

President's Report: In President Mary Riley's absence, Vice President Niki Bouland announced that now that the new flooring had been installed, our next task was to attend to the protection and cleaning of the tiles.

She also announced that the previous weekend's Show and Go was a success; and, that the CGC Testing went well.

Introduction of Guests: Victoria DeArmond, a potential member was introduced.

Corresponding Secretary' Report: There was no report.

Treasurer's Report: Beverly Vic reported on the club's accounts and balances.

Training Director's Report: Carrie Solomon reported that we were ending the current session and that the new session was scheduled to star the week of June 28. Almost all the classes have been filled.

She announced the Board's decision to not allow bitches in season to attend classes in the building, due to the possible problem with cleaning the flooring tiles if soiled. People who cannot attend would be given refunds or credit. A "blast" will be sent out to the membership to that effect.

She also reported that, from the response to the Training Committee's Survey, they are considering shorter sessions with more fun topics, in addition to the 7 week classes.

She asked for suggestions for speakers/topics.

Incident Reports: There were none.

Committee Reports:

AKC Agility Trial: From the Board Meeting–Plans are on track for the October and December Trials. We are extending our contracts with the Florida Horse Park through 2024, and lining up judges for the future years.

AKC FAST CAT: Regina Compton reported on the history of MADTA's involmnet in organizing the Trials.

AKC Obedience and Rally: Beverly Capstick reported that entries had closed for the June Trial, and there were about the same number of entries as last year. She announced that hospitality had been taken care of and that volunteers were needed on Friday at 4 pm, to help prepare the building. The need to cover and protect the mats was discussed.

Carol Harrison announced that DOCOF practices would start soon.

Becky Stewart reported that we did not, as of the meeting, have a full Rally team for DOCOF.

UKC Trial: Bob Saputo reported that everything was set with judges, and that the papers would be sent to UKC in July, as mandated. The date was clarified as November 13 & 14, 2021.

Training Committee: There was no addition to the information given by the Training Director earlier in the meeting.

Building Facility: Niki Bouland reported that we have purchased replacement trees and that they need to be planted. Currently, there is no one in charge of this committee.

AD HOC Committees:

Membership Picnic: Cheryl Donaldson reported that the picnic was scheduled for July 20, from 5 to 8 pm. It will be a catered barbecue. Games are planned. You may bring dogs, however, please bring a crate to use while the meal is served. There is a flyer being sent out and a blast will follow. Advanced reservations for the meal need to be made.

It was brought up that the Membership Picnic would not be used as an Awards Banquet. Linnea Saputo motioned and Shirley Baker seconded, that the Yearly Awards would be held at the pot luck Christmas Party in December. Motion passed. It was noted that an Awards Sheet needed to be sent out to the members and returned by October for them to get ready.

Nominating Committee: The committee was appointed with Regina Compton, Chair; and Carol Harrison and Danatte Weaver. The two alternates were inadvertently left off the roster. They have since been added. They are Josh Hunt and Brenda Allison.

Unfinished Business:

Flooring: Randy Donaldson reported on the cleaning equipment and solutions that need to be used with the new flooring. He showed several options and recommended a 28 inch, 30 pound, manually operated machine. Beverly Vic motioned to buy the unit, seconded by Linnea Saputo. The motion was approved unanimously.

Carport Shelter in Agility Field: Bob Saputo outlined changes that needed to be made to make the Carport compatible with our drainage field, and recommended that we need to order the carport so that we can proceed with drawings to take to the County for permits. He recommended using "The Carport Company's" bid.

Beverly Vic motioned and Brenda Allison seconded to take the committee's recommendation and proceed with installation. The motion was unanimously approved.

New Members: Christopher and Eric Donaldson were voted on for membership.

New Business:

Niki Bouland announced the need for someone to take over supervising the care of the Agility Field's need for aerating, seeding, and fertilizing. Bob Saputo volunteered to take this on.

Motion to Adjourn was made, seconded, and passed at 8:28 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Charlotte Trentelman
Recording Secretary