

## General Meeting Minutes

Marion Alachua Dog Training Association

DATE: Aug 16, 2022 7 p.m. after pot luck BBQ at 6 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER: 7:05PM by President Penny Cary

QUORUM? yes

A motion to change order of business if necessary was approved.

A motion was made and passed to do nominations from the floor and introduction of the nominating committee's slate first.

No nominations from the floor were made.

The nominating committee's slate was:

Kevin Barbagallo, President - Term expires 2024

Eric Stratmann, Vice President- Term expires 2023

Recording Secretary, Sara Hurst - term expires 2024

Treasurer, Lisa Forbes- term expires 2023

Training Director - Betsy Powers - term expires 2023

Corresponding Secretary, Victoria D'Armond - term expires 2024

Delegate at Large, Dianne Bryant- term expires 2024

A motion was made and approved to accept the General Meeting Minutes of July 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022

PRESIDENT'S REPORT- Penny Cary

Penny thanked Cheryl and Dianne for organizing the BBQ and everyone who brought dishes.

Penny and Dianne visited a retirement community and did a presentation on dog training. It was well received.

Braggs were recognized

Guests were introduced

Construction Update- drywall will be done on 8/17. There is a plan to add more organization and storage to the closet. Insurance is negotiating to pay for the entire cost including the deductible.

Finances- efforts are being made to move away from cash payments to make recordkeeping clearer. Attempts are being made to locate missing records, streamline bill pay, and simplify procedures.

Logistics and procedures, use of office- Filing cabinets in the office will be locked. Please use the tax-exempt certificate when buying for the club, vendors may not keep them on file- you must ask about it. A new credit card was issued.

Water is being tested quarterly, in compliance with Health Department regulations.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT- Susan Acosta

The balances as of July 17<sup>th</sup> and August 15<sup>th</sup>, withdrawals, and deposits were reported.

#### CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT - Victoria D'Armond

Penny reported that insurance issues have been resolved.

#### TRAINING DIRECTOR'S REPORT - Betsy Powers

Session 4 started August 2<sup>nd</sup>, includes- 12 Obedience classes, 4 Rally classes, 2 scent work classes, 1 O-gility class, 1 conformation class, and 2 Open floor obedience sessions. There are 156 students with net income of \$12,096. A breakdown of income by venue was provided.

Session 5 will be September 26 through November 16. The schedule will be on the website by August 31<sup>st</sup>. There will be 11 obedience classes, 3 rally classes, 2 scent work classes, 2 conformation classes, 1 agility class, 1 trick class, 2 Youth 4-H/FFA classes, agility run throughs, and rally run throughs.

We are still looking for instructors for: Excellent/Master Rally class, CGC Prep class, and agility.

Due to people signing up for classes and not paying, going forward payment will be required to reserve your place in class

Wednesday Open Floor Obedience is very popular, new procedures to run more smoothly were explained

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

- AKC AGILITY - Hosea Carpenter- Trial for October 7-9 at the Florida Horse Park is approved. We are still looking for volunteers on Thursday. Contact Dianne Bryant if interested. The February 2023 trial will be at MADTA
- AKC FASTCAT- Randy Donaldson- The premium for October 29030 FASTCAT is posted
- AKC OBEDIENCE/RALLY- Betsy Powers- Rally trial Sept 23-25- volunteers are covered, a food vendor is lined up. Obedience trial January 20-22- judges are hired, the premium should be posted in October. The Obedience committee plans to add 2 more obedience weekends into the schedule- one in fall 2023 and one in spring 2024.
- UKC TRIALS - Bob Saputo- Trials will be on November 12-13. Weight pull will be offered concurrently by another club during the event (will require separate payment). Run throughs will be Thursday evenings for UKC Obedience and Agility.
- MEMBERSHIP- Cheryl Donaldson- Michelle Homes was voted in to membership

- SUNSHINE - Rhonda Winsor- 4 cards were since last meeting
- VOLUNTEERS- Dianne Bryant- We are over 3500 volunteer hours. Event organizers- please do a volunteer sheet and give hours to Dianne. Please pay for water from the fridge if you take one.
- DOCOF- Lee Saputo- Will be at the Dog Training Club of St. Petersburg. Rally will be Sat 9/3 from 4-6PM, Obedience will be Sun 9/4 beginning at 7:55AM. Anyone is welcome to come support the teams
- SCENT WORK- Judy Leitzsch- Sniff N Go was very successful. Thank you to the volunteers. We hope to do it again with some ideas for improvements.
- SEYF- Dianne Bryant & Regina Compton- Youth fair dog training classes will start September 29<sup>th</sup> and continue through February. We are looking for: help with agility on Monday at 5:30pm, an instructor for Rally classes Thursday 6:30pm.

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Waiver changes- need to be established and board approved. There are two- one for instructors and one for participants/renters
- Temperament Test - Jenifer Edwards- Planned for October 2<sup>nd</sup> (tentative). Will have 2 tests in one day since you need 2 tests to title. More info to come.
- Charitable Donation Committee- has been established and will send recommendations and make a budget
- Cameras- the outgoing board will discuss ideas with the incoming board

#### NEW BUSINESS

- Regina Compton & Carrie Solomon will host a workshop on how to volunteer for obedience, rally, and agility on October 1<sup>st</sup> at 8:30AM at MADTA.
- Gray MADTA t-shirts are available for \$10 (L & XL only)
- Fill for agility field- Bob Saputo is looking into
- Ring Rental Scheduling- pay upfront, cancellations will be credited. Please fill out an envelope every time you rent the ring, even if you do not have to pay.
- Review of Bylaws- will be sent to new board and then membership for approval
- Draft brochure- available for viewing, will be professionally printed and available for events. Thanks to Lisa Forbes for updating

Next Meeting - Sept 20, 7 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT at 8:25 by general consent

Respectfully Submitted,

Sara Hurst for Charlotte Trentlemann