

November 4, 2008 CAT Board Meeting Minutes

Location: Village Inn, Bridgeport Village

Called to order at 6:35 pm

- I. **Welcome—Tanya Sacks**—In attendance: Mike Chapman, Pat Weinkauff, Tanya Sacks, Pam Brown, Kim Boothe, Julie Jones, and Judy Bluett.
- II. **Reading and approval of the minutes—Kim Boothe**—October 8, 2008 CAT Board meeting minutes reviewed and approved.
- III. **Reports**
 - a. **New Member Coordinator—Pat Weinkauff**—The Board confirmed new member Karla Sanders Clow.
 - b. **Treasurer—Judy Bluett**—The final report for the October USDAA trial is pending. Judy will be verifying how many CAT Bucks came in and out, mileage, and lodging expenses. Judy is also planning to summarize the donations for the year.
 - c. **Vice-President—Trey Winthrop**—not present. The Board reviewed upcoming dates for meetings and events: November 9, General Meeting at Buster’s in Tigard; December 14, Annual Holiday Party at Holiday Inn in Wilsonville.
 - d. **Training Director—Pam Brown**—Pam is getting ready to put the winter term on the calendar (by December). She has already had some inquiries into the winter term. CAT still needs teachers (Level One class at the Forest Grove barn). Kim asked for detail on what it takes to be a trainer to be posted on AgileCAT when Pam posts request for help.
- IV. **Unfinished Business**
 - a. **Mailing option for library material project still under review**—Postal permits are approximately \$150-\$200 per year. There have been no complaints or negative feedback from the membership since the library has been moved to Tara’s home. The Board opted to table this project for future discussion after seeing how things go for a few more months.
- V. **New Business**
 - a. **Review CAT Bucks compensation given for trial committee position**
 - i. The compensation amounts for several of the trial committee positions have been \$65 in CAT Bucks for many years. This amount was determined many years ago based on the average cost to enter one dog for an entire weekend of a trial. Given that prices have gone up, but the work has stayed the same, the Board decided to review the “pay schedule” and adjust it accordingly (for inflation). The Board approved increasing the **maximum** amount (in CAT Bucks) per position to \$120 for Trial Chair, Secretary, and Chief Scorekeeper; \$80 to \$120 (depending on number of rings in the trial) for Chief Course Builder and Chief Ring

Steward; and \$40 for the remaining positions listed in the Trial Compensation Policy.

- ii. A motion was made and approved to document and add to the Trial Compensation Policy a statement regarding payment for transport of equipment to and from CAT trials. The statement shall read: “If the distance from the trailer storage location to the trial site is less than 40 miles, the person towing is reimbursed for the actual number of miles towed at the Club’s currently approved rate, plus **\$20**. If the distance from the trailer storage location to the trial site is more than 40 miles, reimbursement will be a flat fee of **\$75** while towing to the site and **\$75** while towing from the site back to the storage location for the trailers.”
- b. **Holiday Party Awards Discussion**—The Board discussed various awards (and their potential recipients) presented at the Holiday Party.
- c. **Need input from Training Director regarding making equipment accessible for demos**—The Board discussed small trailers (4 X 6 or 4 X 8 size) for use in taking equipment to demos as well as where to store the demo equipment. Will have Erik check into any extra storage space at the Larsen barn. The subject of a small trailer will be tabled until there has been further research.
- d. **Proposal regarding land uses issues**—Dwight Cash has written to the Board requesting that the Board consider how CAT may be of assistance regarding land use issues and their impact on dog agility. The Board asked for Dwight to ask John Rankin (CAT member and an attorney specializing in land use issues) to present the proposal to the membership at the next general meeting.

VI. **Adjournment**—Meeting adjourned at 8:11 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Kim Boothe

Addendum to November Board Meeting Minutes—Pat Weinkauff made a motion via e-mail as New Member Coordinator to approve Nancy Hubbard as a new member. The Board approved the motion 11-21-08.