

Columbia Agility Team
Board Minutes 8-11-09
Village Inn Bridgeport

Present: Tanya Sacks, Kevin White, Mike Chapman, Debi Runyen, Judy Bluett, Pam Brown, M'Lou Thompson

President called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm

Report of the Secretary: Minutes of the last board meeting were reviewed and accepted.

Report on New Membership Requests: Moved and accepted that new members are: Mary Stiles, Renee Brewer, Ruthy Bullwinkle, Alexa Maros and Betty Brown.

Report of the Treasurer: Current financial reports were reviewed and accepted. USDAA July trial report not quite complete at this time.

Report of the Vice-President:

September Board meeting: Wednesday, Sept. 9, 6:30 pm Village Inn at Mall 205

September General meeting: Sunday, Sept 20, 7pm, Delta Park Elmer's

October dates are unconfirmed at this time.

Report of the Training Director: General update, classes proceeding normally. Policy change discussed regarding use of assistants for the classes. Motion made and approved to update the Instructor Policy as follows:

"Additionally, upon approval by the Training Director, a class size may be increased from the normal 6 spots to 9 spots (50% increase in normal class size) if an assistant instructor is utilized for the series. The assistant instructor will be entitled to earn 35 Cat Bucks for actively participating with such oversized class for the course series."

This will be in effect for the next session of classes beginning Sept. 21.

Unfinished Business:

Final decisions on aluminum frames and dogwalks await further discussion with Tom Berkley and other possible vendors. Use of new contact material for dogwalks, etc, is difficult to arrange due to difficulty with both the process and available space to work. Three sets of new sandbags were approved for the Larsen Barn. M'Lou Thompson will investigate the use of 2x2 weaves and report to the Board in September.

Select Board Member for Nominating Committee: Pam Brown will be the Board representative. Names of other potential members were discussed and Pam will contact those members to see if they wish to participate on the committee.

New Business:

Discussion of barn manager concerns regarding cash payments for barn rental. Tanya will put an announcement on AgileCAT asking that those who wish to pay in cash contact Art and arrange to meet at the barn so they can be given a receipt, rather than just leaving cash in the box. A reminder will also be made that people paying with CAT bucks put them in an envelope with their name or otherwise bundle and mark them so they can be credited to the appropriate renter.

Finance Committee suggestions will be discussed at the next Board meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10pm

Addendum: Additional member, Elaine Flynn, voted in by e-mail on August 14th. The Board also approved the replacement of the trial printers via e-mail vote.