

Columbia Agility Team  
Board Minutes, March 16, 2010  
Village Inn, Bridgeport

Meeting called to order at 6:35

Present: Karla Forte, Trey Winthrop, Rosie Stein, Julie Jones, Dick Watson, Trudy Coleman, M'Lou Thompson

Review of last meeting minutes: Approved

Vice Presidents Report: A letter will be sent to Red Hot Rovers reminding them CAT is owed two free trial entries for Raffle. This was followed by a suggestion that WAG be asked to trade trial entries for Raffles as CAT does with BAD and RAT.

Treasurer's Report: YTD January – March 2010 income just over \$16,000, expenses over \$18,000; this year made \$400 more than 2009. NADAC trial made money. Club has \$25,000 CD, \$41,000 Columbia Fund, \$9957 regular checking, \$25,900 Money Market, 102K

Treasurer will be simplifying accounting procedure by combining expense classes...so not so many individual postings. There are some redundancies.

At this point there was discussion re check signers. It was decided to add Julie Jones to Forte and Winthrop to make sure someone at trials can sign checks.

Also, Board needs to start seeing trial budgets and Julie Jones will track those.

New Members: The following people have completed their requirements for membership:

Alyssa Chertude

Sharon Dekker

Donna Gabrielson

Charise Grimaux

Susan Isaacs

Eleanor Kurtus

Kevin Lane

Kristina Leipzig

Neena Kirsch

Barb Meyer

Alice Perrine

Stephanie Pochomis

(As of Monday, March 15, info on Barb Meyer was incomplete and Tanya Sacks was checking to see if Perrine and Leipzig were up to date on dues.)

New Agenda Items:

4H request for agility info: Rosie Stein is contacting Emilie Bullard to see exactly what group would like...discussion or demo. If necessary for demo, she may need to borrow a piece of equipment for overnight from Forest Grove barn, working through Mike Chapman. It was moved and seconded that this is permissible.

Linda Keast's request to borrow orange fencing was denied by the Board...too close in time to our trial and change in equipment manager makes it difficult to arrange transport. Karla Forte will let Linda know.

CPE Trial August: Will be held at Clark Co Fairgrounds. Lisa Kline is confirming contract details with Clark Co. Date is Aug 21-22. Cheryl Huffman will chair.

Suggestion was made to create a flyer to have at demos and trials explaining how agility works and what is actually happening for spectators. Dick has text somewhere and Rosie will work with him on format, graphics.

Open Barn Time was reviewed. Larsen Barn Friday night fun runs are held during group practice time. Popularity is such that Art Brest should request RSVPs from those planning to attend when he has courses set up. Further discussion tabled until Kennedy and Julie Padbury are present. M'Lou T will contact Art about the issue of dogs waiting to run a course...should be kept outside the barn.

New Location: Rob Waters and Mike Chapman are hunting for possible replacements for Forest Grove barn. It was suggested that contacting a commercial real estate person might save time and provide information. Rosie Stein is also looking around the Hwy 26 corridor.

On a related matter, Washington Co FairGrounds should be scouted for future outdoor trial possibilities.

Handler Policy: Discussion table until Julie Padbury is present. However, it is state in policy that the organizer of a CAT related event is responsible party.

Storing Trailers: It was decided that it would be more efficient to store trailers at Clark Co since most of the trials are now held there. Also, the Club should rent trucks to pull the equipment trailers when necessary to do so. That cost should be added to the trial budgets.

Old Agenda Items: Policy changes from February Board meeting and line item changes at this Board meeting were approved.

The Finance Committee needs more members. Trey Winthrop is one, as Treasurer. One other Board member needs to be on as well as member at large. Julie Jones will contact Julie Padbury and Kennedy Morgan to see if they are intested and Trey Winthrop is contacting Dwight about being on the Committee. It will need to work on a marketing budget, trial budgets, costs of possible lobbying efforts etc.

Signers for the Columbia Agility Team for the current Board will be Karla Forte, President, Trey winthrop, Treasurer and Julie Jones VP

Next meetings:

April 20, Board Meeting Village Inn Bridgeport: 6:30pm

May 18, Village Inn, 6:30pm

General Meetings:

May 23, Buster's in Tigard 7pm

July 18, Elmer's in Delta Park 7pm

At some time, it might be worthwhile to have general meeting on a weekday if possible, if meeting would come on a trial Sunday.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm