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April 2010

MEETING

April 13 2010

7:00 pm Board Meeting

8:00 pm

RRVF COMMERCIAL BUILDING

Canine Academy

1805 West Main Ave Red River Valley Fair Grounds
West Fargo ND

FARGO-MOORHEAD KENNEL CLUB, INC. BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2009-2010

President - Mike Johnson
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Vice President— Jim Jeziorski
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Board 2009 –2011 kyleeid@msn.com

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Board 2008-2010 djelson@cablone.net

Board Members Term

Lisa Meth 2008-2010
Cindy Wambach 2009-2011

Annual Meeting & Elections are held in October

FARGO-MOORHEAD KENNEL CLUB, INC. MEMBERSHIP

2009 - 2010

Voting members

**58
Quorum
11**

Your membership is important, full membership status affects our quorum. Please attend meetings.

FMKC BOARD MEETING MINUTES

March 9, 2010

Present: Mike Johnson, Jim Jeziorski, Kyle Eid, Donna Johnson, Cindy Wambach

Absent: Lisa Meth Guests: None

Mike Johnson called the meeting to order.

Cindy moved to approve the minutes of the February meeting as corrected. Donna second. Motion carried.

Secretary Report - Correspondence received from Hodges Badge Company, Tails from Minnesota, and Fraser Ltd.

Treasurer Report - Distributed Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss through February 2010. Account totals are Cash on hand of \$3600.00, checking balance \$18,425.70, Investment account \$78,471.91, Savings of \$2,948.47 and petty cash of \$80.00. Donna said it looks like we will not save any money on Utilities comparing the old building to the new.

Committees -

All Breed Show: Secretary read the e-mailed report from Kathy Rust saying they are walking the facilities in April and solidifying plans with the committee leaders for the event. They will continue to look for more volunteers and are in desperate need of at least 2 golf carts to use for the event.

Building Committee: Kyle Eid reported that there is a possibility the Federal Government will "take over" the Fairgrounds for a Flood Emergency Operations Center. Mike Johnson and Kyle Eid met with Bryan at the Fairgrounds to discuss that possibility.

Obedience Events: Lois Morkassel reported for Darcy Litzinger that they will post sign up sheets for volunteers after the Agility Trial. The Judges are secured and Rooms reserved. Lois Morkassel will run the kitchen. Jon Landre will cover maintenance assistance and clean up. She is looking for a Volunteer Coordinator and Ian McDonald agreed to do it.

Agility: Secretary read e-mailed report from Karla Cole-Dease. Regarding the May Agility Trial. To summarize the judges are confirmed, Linda Wolter is Trial Secretary, Lois Eid is the volunteer worker coordinator, Lois Morkassel is assisting the secretary, Marsha Susag will run the kitchen, and Jon Landre will do facility maintenance. Trial Dates are May 22 and 23 and the premium will be out soon.

Seminars: Donna reported Michelle Persian Agility Seminar had a net loss of \$386.72. Some late payments will improve that slightly. It was a good event just not full of participants.

Awards: Donna reported a reminder to RSVP to Donna for the Annual FMKC Awards Banquet by April 10th, 2010. The Awards Banquet is Saturday April 10th at the Green Mill in Fargo.

Old Business -

Budgets: Some but not all budgets have been received by the Treasurer.

New Business - Emergency Animal shelter for the flood of 2010 was discussed. Donna will check with the Humane Society to see how we might assist if needed.

New Corporate Brochure: Discussed needing more than identifying where and how to distribute them to potential students and new members. Jim Jeziorski volunteered to head the distribution plan.

FMKC Open House and Dog Activity Showcase was discussed and it was determined it may be good to have a "hot wash" or review of the event and capture some of the Pro's and Con's.

David and Laurie Geyer Fire: Discussed asking for a membership motion to donate some money to assist them.

Mike moved to adjourn.

Meeting Adjourned.

FMKC GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

March 9 , 2010

58 Voting Members. Quorum - 12

Present: Mike Johnson, Jim Jeziorski, Kyle Eid, Donna Johnson, Cindy Wambach, Jon Landre, Ian McDonald, Marcia Hagen, Kris Altenbernd, Linda Wolter, Marsha Susag, Terrie Dahl, Alan Vogel, Lois Morkassel, Genell Bogner, Deb Hoff

Meeting called to order by Mike Johnson.

Minutes: Deb Hoff moved to approve the minutes of the February General Membership meeting. Donna Johnson second. Motion carried.

Report of the President: Will address in New Business

Report of the Secretary: See Board Minutes. The Secretary polled the members present to see if they are getting e-mails regarding Club Business. A show of hands was unanimous.

Report of the Treasurer: See Board Minutes

Report of Committees: The Secretary read e-mailed committee notes that are included in the Board Minutes.

Building Committee - Mike Johnson and Kyle Eid discussed the possibility of the Fairgrounds being taken over by the Federal Government for a Flood Emergency Operations center that would displace us in our building if it happened.

Public Education - Terrie Dahl reported the Open House went well, she thanked everyone for their help and said some statistics were in the e-mail she sent out. Donna Johnson asked the group to thank Terrie for her work organizing the Open House and Mike Johnson thanked everyone who participated.

Training Committee - Marsha Susag reported that the amended Building Use Policy is in place that says, "An instructor may provide assistance to an INDIVIDUAL or INDIVIDUALS in 1 hour increments for agility, obedience or rally. The FMKC will receive \$10 / hour and the instructor's fee will be determined between the instructor and the individual."

Marsha also reported the Class #'s are good, Pay Pal is working nicely for collecting class fees and Annual Agility Equipment fee collection is on going. Instructors are doing a great job and she stressed the importance of supporting our major events by Volunteering to help because those events are our greatest source of income.

Awards Banquet - Linda Wolter reported the award requests are done and the awards are currently being made by the supplier. Only five (5) people have pre-registered for the meal with Donna Johnson. The event is being held on Saturday, April 10th at the Green Mill in Fargo with a social starting at 6:30. RSVP to Donna at

djelson@qwestoffice.net or call her at 701-282-9284.

Humanitarian of the Year - Lois Morkassel read the nomination for Dr. Gary Christian, DVM . The President called for a Voice Vote to approve the nomination. Aye's were unanimous and there were no Nay's so the nomination was approved. Lois reported an event will be scheduled in the future to recognize Dr. Christian as he is spending the winter and spring in a warmer climate.

Webmaster - Kris Altenbernd encouraged everyone to visit the website, and use the information contained in it, as well as Pay Pal for making payments to the club.

Raffle - Lois Morkassel reported the Theme for this years raffle will be the "Lazy, Crazy Days of Summer". This was a BIG money making event last year. People are encouraged to drop off your donated items on set-up Thursday of the All Breed Shows. Ticket sales will start on Friday and the drawings and pick up will be on Saturday.

Election of new Members: First reading . Potential member is sponsored by Donna Johnson and Kyle Eid

Amy Hannesson Digger-23@msn.com Australian Cattle Dog

1744 Charleswood Estates Drive.

West Fargo, ND 58078

701-212-8996

Old Business: Marsha Susag brought up instructor scheduling for classes and how it has been difficult to schedule for Beginners and Advanced Beginners. Jon Landre agreed that finding qualified Obedience Instructors is a problem that the Training Committee will continue to work on.

Ian McDonald asked that specific information be provided to the membership regarding class sizes comparing the current session to previous sessions. Deb Hoff indicated that a spreadsheet could easily be created since the information is readily available.

Kris Altenbernd asked about the Building Committee Activity. Kyle Eid reported the committee has a scheduled meeting to discuss the transition back outside for the summer months.

Mike Johnson stated that club functions take precedence over private activities when it comes to use of the Canine Academy. The white board should be used for scheduling floor time.

New Business:

Mike Johnson discussed that our club should be Proactive in volunteering to assist the Humane Society if they operate the flood related Emergency Animal Shelter again. Donna Johnson will contact the Executive Director to see how we might be involved.

Kyle Eid discussed the Committees List vacancies and encouraged involvement in them. He will e-mail the complete list to all members and highlight the vacancies that need to be filled.

Jim Jeziorski volunteered to head the distribution planning for the new Corporate brochure created by Marcia Hagen. Marsha Susag made a motion to have 500 copies printed for distribution. Ian McDonald second. Motion carried. The group thanked Marcia Hagen and gave her a round of applause for her efforts.

Mike Johnson facilitated a review of the Open House event with the entire group giving Pro's and Con's with Cindy Wambach taking notes on a White Board. The Pro's captured about the event was it was Low cost, Free Advertising, Fun day for the members, Good Time of year for event and the event was the right length of time, the door prize drawings were well received. The Con's captured were to not have it Annually, have some out door events so people don't think we are indoors year round, who is invited to bring dogs? Terrie Dahl identified her task list and would share it in the future if we hold another event. Terrie stated it may not be a newsworthy event if it were held every year. She said we had a message this year about mixed breeds and our new location.

Marsha Susag made a motion to donate \$500.00 to David and Laurie Geyer. Laurie, a club member lost her home and all contents in a fire at their rural Enderlin, ND home. Deb Hoff second. Motion Carried.

Lois Morkassel made a motion to retire the Humanitarian of the Year award in its present form. Marsha Susag second. Motion Carried.

Marsha Susag moved to adjourn. Meeting Adjourned.

We had a quilting bee. Mary M, Lois M, Kris A and Kris MC D got together at Genell' s home and , through a group effort, put together 28 of these to tote bags for our Group One Prizes at the June All Breed Shows

Thank you ladies for a job well done.



PS

Now ... we are looking for helpers. In order to give these bags out in Groups we have to have volunteer stewards work the breed rings.

Calling ALL members. WE need you. This 3 day show is vital to our club.

Without these shows likelihood of having a regulation sized agility and obedience ring to train in is slim to none.

I know your are asked to help out other times and this might not be your venue but the club needs to pull together to put on another great breed show. June 4, ,5 & 6

Contact Kris flywaylab@msn.com

B R A G S

CH Xtreme Aus Dem Norden RN "Rukkus" GSP

New AKC Champion!

Rukkus finished his championship in Iowa in February. Now he is off to bird camp!

Proud Owners Erica and Mary Morris





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APRIL 2010**

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

NEXT MEETING

April 14 2010
7:00 pm Board Meeting

8:00 pm General Meeting
Commercial Building

Obedience / Rally Trial (Open to mixed breeds)
April 17 & 18

[Web Calendar](#)

Newsletter Deadlines: All information for the Talewagger must be submitted before the 23rd of each month.

FIRST CLASS

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