



Fargo Moorhead Kennel Club Board of Directors Meeting

Date/Time: May 14th, 2024. 6:00 PM.

Attendance: Julie Hulne, April Petersen, Sarah Ford, Amy Campbell, LouAnn Honek, Sarah Franson, Nikki Dauk Holmes, Alex VanSickle, Tehryn VanSickle, Jean Weismann.

Minutes of the last meeting: Approved with edits by Jean Weismann.

Reports:

President: An email was sent to the instructors with the job description for training director but have not heard back anything from instructors. Sarah will send out a follow-up email reiterating the need for a replacement come June 1 as Sarah Franson is finished as training director.

Discussion brought up about personal agility equipment being on the floor and that they should have an itemization of what their property is as AKC would want to know regarding ownership of property.

Secretary: Shared that correspondence was received regarding provisional judge, Bill Pinder is not current. The committee reassured BOD that it has been taken care of.

Treasurer: April 2024 FMKC Profit & Loss- (4/1/2024 – 4/30/2024)

Assets: Cash and Bank Accounts	\$68,062.42
Total Investments	\$106,094.47
Total Liabilities & Equity	\$174,156.89

- Total April inflows \$32,136.50. (Obedience & rally trial inflows \$8,983)
- Total outflows \$13,838.18
- Overall Total \$18,298.32

Committees:

1. All Breed – All is well. Donna has drivers for judges. The worker sign-up sheet should be put out soon. Reserved grooming is full.

Sub committee- Fair Grounds- Twisted Spork will provide a separate bill as they are handling all concessions. Fair grounds have mandated the use of them. Volunteers will be fed in our FMKC building through pot-luck style options.

Question: Have we considered possibly offering a scholarship for junior showmanship for each show in the future? If doing- would need to be listed in the premium.

2. Obedience – We held a phenomenal trial and made almost \$4,000. Another coming up June 21-22 that is Red Rivers. Premium is already out.

3. Agility – Trial (Red River) in the next couple of days at FMKC building. The attendance is looking good. Judges are staying at the LaQuinta. Grand Forks is pursuing adding a trial.

4. Scent Work- June trial is on track. The trial is full for June. Nikki is stepping down as scent work chairperson. Looking for someone interested. Concern shared that we typically sign the contract for the location at the time of the trial (or that Monday after the trial) and she would not be comfortable doing that when stepping down.

Still in charge for the September trial then would be stepping down after. Commitment have been made for the upcoming September trial. (Next year tasks such as applying for trials, acquiring judges and locations, etc., would be done by replacement.)

Question: We don't have any upcoming trials being offered that are not offering any levels?

Yes. The September Trial is Detective level only with a clinic/seminar.

Was this brought to the BOD? Or was this an in-house decision?

Believed to have brought it up at some point last year. Discussed that each trial has not really offered the same. Brought up that we have not offered the same for each trial due to different locations. Mention that currently AKC shows each class as "pending". This happens each time when applying.

Discussion of pushing out this information as there have been some heated inquiries regarding the September trial.

We do have both clubs (FMKC & RRDOC) running trials. Also, Grand Forks is offering scent work. Nikki is willing to continue to teach scent work classes, however with the continued difficulty of AKC scent work changes will not be continuing as chair. Discussion of co-chairing so that one person does not have such a load. Hoping that people will step forward and thanks extended to Nikki for her help.

Doubling back- Sarah Ford knows a judge from California that has always wanted to judge ND. Nikki said that there are four days that changes can be made. There was the wish that it had been brought to the board to have help in problem-solving.

5. FastCAT- Grand Forks trial is ready to go for August 8-11. Thinking that the layout is going to be great.

6. Training - Only a couple weeks left of the last session. Instructors on their own for summer up until mid-August. No scheduled classes. Will need to ensure mats are out.

The new training director will need to get things set up for October classes plus schedule a trainer meeting regarding what they would like to do.

Question: Are there hand-off materials for the replacement training director?

Sarah Franson stated she has the agility stuff and said that Kris A. has the obedience.

7. Public Relations - Hair of the Dog is this Saturday, which a booth from FMKC will be present. June 4th will be Bark in the Park. Homeward Shelter Animals Paws Walk in July now. Nov 1st is Wags Whiskers.

8. Communications - Nothing to report.

9. Membership - Nothing to report. (New membership drive will be in November.)

10. Fair Liaison - Car Show & Swap Meet this weekend expecting many people. Terhyn has sent out the sign-up and Sarah Franson will look at it.

11. Building Manager - Bonnie purchased her new entry rug and is looking to put out when it arrives. Looking for a replacement for Bonnie. The job description is being reviewed as to what Jean Weismann had provided then will be combined.

12. AKC Delegate - May, June, and July Secretary Reports were shared by Susan.

New Business:

1. Have Ramp built for conformation class- \$300?

Motion: to Approve the monies for the ramp to be built for Conformation class. Made by Amy. Julie H. seconded. All in favor.

2. Displaceable High Jump Purchase? This is needed by October 2025. Lois and Kris are looking into the options for replacement. Currently companies are in the early stages of production, but thinking we would want to consider purchasing so that dogs have safer practice and training.

Unfinished Business:

1. 2 BOD positions coming open- Officers: President & Treasurer.

Treasurer: Julie would possibly consider a 30-day transition for the replacement. Julie has given her three years and her time is up at the end of the session. Who is interested? We need someone from the BOD for the paperwork. How do we save the treasurer time to make things easier? There was talk about saving the time of collecting documents. Filling out tax documents and check.

We need to see who is elected unless Wendy or April is willing to step up then training is not going to happen. Otherwise, this transition is going to happen without training of the new person.

2. Training Director Position open 1 June 24.

Motions to adjourn: 7:02 PM by Donna, 2nd Julie.

Next meeting, Tuesday, June 11th, 2024, at 6:00pm at the Fargo Moorhead Kennel Club



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