

MINUTES from General Board Meeting of USMRA Board of Directors
Aug. 10, 2008

1. CALL TO ORDER

Augusta Farley called the meeting to order at 6:22 PM PST.

Present:

President: Augusta Farley
Vice President: Tim Bartlett
Secretary: Ann Putegnat
Treasurer: Tammy Doherty
Directors: Lisa Geller
Matt Moore

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

2.1 Tammy Doherty moved to accept the minutes from June 8, 2008. Matt Moore seconded the motion. All in favor. Minutes from June 8, 2008 approved.

3. OFFICER'S REPORTS:

3.1 President –

- 3.1.1 Have not received a response from Bill Campbell as to whether AWDF will help pay for USMRA Team uniforms.
- 3.1.2 Have completed the “Board of Directors Declaration Form”; this will be sent to the Nominating Committee to send to the clubs.
- 3.1.3 We are currently working with the AWMA to send a team to the FMBB in May.

3.2 Vice President – No report

3.3 Secretary –

3.3.1 Secretary will take care of putting the International Team requirements on the website.

3.4 Treasurer –

- 3.4.1 Current balance is \$11,864.43 plus \$2500 set aside for the decoy camp.
- 3.4.2 Net profit from the national championships was \$190.62

4. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- 4.1 Judge's Committee – no report
- 4.2 Decoy Committee – no report
- 4.3 Auditing Committee – no report

- 4.4 Membership Committee
 - 4.4.1 Is in the processes of making notebooks to give to each club.
 - 4.4.2 Board Nomination forms will be included in the notebooks.
 - 4.5 Decoy Committee –
 - 4.5.1 Still working on putting together a decoy camp for this year. Finances are an issue with trying to have camps in two locations
 - 4.5.2 There will be a decoy certification at the LSMRC trial in December.
 - 4.6 National Championship Committee
 - 4.6.1 Have sent out a request to clubs to host the trial. So far, LSMRC is the only club to respond (deadline is Sep 1, 2008).
 - 4.7 World Championship Committee
 - 4.7.1 The team consists of: Sharon Novak, Tim Bartlett and Lisa Geller.
 - 4.7.2 Marki Barta will be asked to Captain the team.
 - 4.7.3 Paperwork is ready to be turned in to the host club.
 - 4.8 Temperament Testing – no report
 - 4.9 Marketing and Promotion
 - 4.9.1 Lisa has started working on a DVD. Ann Putegnat agreed to review the work in progress.
 - 4.9.2 Lisa requested the ability to purchase an external hard drive. There is money in the budget for Marketing and Advertising as well as DVD production, so Lisa needs only make a request for reimbursement.
 - 4.10 Obedience Program – no report
5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:
- 5.1 Insurance has been purchased.
 - 5.2 Tammy made a motion to accept the member survey and to mail this to all members. Ann Seconded. All approved.
 - 5.3 Trial Policies and Procedures were not included with the packet for the meeting so discussion was postponed.
- 6 NEW BUSINESS
- 6.1 Judge's Program – Discussion Postponed
 - 6.2 Championship Trial Profits. Tammy Doherty made a motion to give USMRA's share of the trial profits to the host club. Matt Moore seconded. All voted to approve.
 - 6.3 Decoy Camp – was discussed as part of the Decoy Committee report.
 - 6.4 Nominating Committee. The President put forth Aida Flick, Ann Malberg and Terri Miller for the Nominating Committee. Tammy

made the motion to accept this committee, Matt seconded. All approved.

- 6.5 Auditing Committee. The President put forth Sharon Novak, Aida Flick and Kathy Champine for the Auditing Committee. Tim made the motion to accept this committee, Lisa seconded. All approved.
 - 6.6 Board of Inquiry. This should not have been on the agenda. No discussion.
 - 6.7 Newsletter. Tammy reported that she is not able to devote time to the newsletter. Augusta will get a quote to finish the work. Tammy will send her the text, pictures and MS Publisher file.
 - 6.8 Event Manual. Augusta will assign each Board member a chapter to rewrite from the USMRA manual.
 - 6.9 Mondioring III Club – no report.
 - 6.10 AWDF Meeting. Augusta noted that it is imperative that a USMRA delegate be sent to the AWDF meeting next April (or we could lose our membership).
7. Next meeting – September 14, 2008
 8. Ann Putegnat moved to adjourn.
Matt Moore seconded motion.
All in favor,
Motion carried.
Meeting adjourned at 7:25 PM PST