

MINUTES from General Board Meeting of USMRA Board of Directors  
March 9, 2008

1. CALL TO ORDER

Augusta Farley called the meeting to order at 8:17 Central Standard Time.

Present:

President - Augusta Farley

Secretary - Ann Putegnat

Treasurer - Tammy Doherty

Directors:

Lisa Geller

Tim Bartlett

Matt Moore – arrival delayed, but joined meeting in progress.

Absent:

Vice President - Scott Thomas

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

2.1 Delayed pending arrival of Matt Moore.

3. OFFICER'S REPORTS:

3.1 President:

Augusta reports that we are still working on arrangements with the caterer for the Championship.

3.2 Vice President – No report.

3.3 Secretary:

Ann reports that she is updating decoy, trial and club pages on the website. There are 68 members.

3.4 Treasurer:

Tammy reports that there is \$10,037.24 in the bank account and that to date \$2,033.66 has been spent on Championship expenses.

4. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

4.1 By Law Committee:

Augusta and Tammy report that the bylaws have been revised and are ready for the Board to approve and send to member-

ship for a vote.

4.2 Decoy Committee:

Tim reports that the new decoy books are finished. Decoys will retain ownership of old books. The plan to us the \$2500.00 will be presented next month.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

5.1 Jump Specs:

Matt reports that he is working with Sharon Novak on this project and will have these to present by next month.

6. NEW BUSINESS:

6.1 Championship – Augusta reports that we have a caterer. Cost will be verified. Estimate is 20 – 25 per person.

6.2 Annual Meeting – The following has been included in the agenda to date:

Officer and Committee Reports  
Misc. information to members.  
Recognitions  
Certificates

6.3 Survey for direction and report card:

Should be done ahead of time. By next month, we will have a proposed survey.

6.4 ByLaws Revision:

**MOTION** made by Ann Putegnat to send modified version of ByLaws to membership after Board has approved corrections to be made by T. Doherty. Vote will be done online, and will be completed on Mar. 16.

SECONDED by Tammy Doherty.

**VOTE:** UNANIMOUS.

6.5 Revised Judge's Program:

Augusta reported that the Judge's Committee does not want term limits.

The Judge's Committee DOES want evaluations with a means to revoke

the certification of the judge.

**MOTION:** Tammy Doherty moved to approve the Judge's Program as corrected (correction to number of dogs at each level in apprenticeship).

SECONDED by Ann Putegnat.

**VOTE:**

Ann Putegnat - yes  
Tammy Doherty - yes  
Matt Moore - no  
Tim Bartlett - no  
Lisa Geller - no

**MOTION FAILED.** Judge's Program returned to Committee.

7.0 Next Board Meeting will be April 13, 2008

8.0 Matt moved to adjourn the meeting. Tim seconded. Meeting adjourned.