

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES – January 23

ROLL CALL: Present were Jim and Rose Mary Frazer, Jack Helder, Meg Willis-Redfern, Caren and Joe Shoemaker

Meeting began, approximately 5:45 PM at Gus O’Conner’s Irish Pub in Novi

Minutes of Last BOD Meeting: Approved with amendment that Caren will be shadowing Chris Allen at the May trials, not July.

Minutes of Last General Meeting: Approved with amendment that Jim did not realize he was also to purchase a ladder, which he will do.

REPORTS:

President – no report

Recording Secretary – minutes of BOD meeting and General meeting supplied

Corresponding Secretary – 16 members have renewed as of the meeting. Others are urged to download the application from the MGA Yahoo site or web site and send it in with their dues.

Treasurer – no report, but Joe talked with Jane and remembers that the current balance is around \$2900. Jane is still researching banks with no or little annual fee. Rose Mary, who has been elected as the new treasurer, will research banks in her area that are likely to have widespread branches.

Committees:

Constitution Review – no report

Field Equipment – Meg will buy a new battery charger

Hospitality – Caren needs a break from chairing this, and will try to find another.

If anyone can step up, contact Caren. This has been a hallmark for MGA trials for the past two seasons, and it would be a shame if this could not continue.

Paperwork – no report

Trophies – Caren looking into buckets for breed winners. We have squeak toys.

Welcome – no report

Old Business

Recruiting pamphlets – not discussed

Welcome packets – not discussed

Web site – not discussed

Equipment Inventory – the disposal of gates, jumps and mats for Match have not been disposed of and remain in Meg’s barn. In the spring, Jack and Meg will attempt to take photos to document what is available to assist with finding a buyer. The photos should be sent to Chris Allen.

New Business

Trial Site Tour – In February, Meg and Joe will check out the Boy Scout Camp and get a commitment

Ad for DKC – Joe emailed trial dates to Angie, and BOD authorized \$70 payment

July Specialty Trials – looks like RRs, possibly Ibizan Hounds, and Whippets, but Joe will check with American Whippet Club about holding an ASFA Specialty Field Trial, since the AWC is supporting preference for AKC events in response to the provisional status of Silken Windhounds in ASFA.

FTS for July – may still be Chris after all

MAPBD membership and entry fee donation – MGA will pay \$30 membership fee and also raise entry fees by \$1 per entry, which will be committed to MAPBDs to hire a lobbyist for purebred dog advocacy in Lansing

Checking Account – see Treasurer's Report

Practice – discussed having a practice on the weekend of April 24 or May 1, either at Mary Dee Sist's or Omega Farms, also in Williamston.

Date/Time Next Meeting – April 10, Michigan Brewing Company, 11:30 AM. After, Meg and Joe and interested parties will check out Omega Farms for possible coursing/practice venue.

ASFA Annual Convention – March 27 and 28, in San Jose, CA. Jack unwilling to go. Any club member that wants to go would be reimbursed \$200; any two delegates, \$100 apiece. Contact Joe if interested. Caren will post on MGA Yahoo site and web site.

Adjournment, approximately 7 PM