

Minutes of the Mayflower Portuguese Water Dog Club]
June 18, 2016
Camp Lyndon, Sandwich, MA

Present: S Phillips, P Markiewicz, K Ash, K Holden, O Kocher, C Framson, B Varr

The meeting was called to order by President Phillips at 4:30 pm

Secretary's Report (C Framson)

The following changes were requested under 'Ladies Dog Show':

1. P Markeiwicz and B Varr present by phone to be changed to present for limited discussion of Ladies Dog Show. Request made by P Markiewicz
2. Ladies to contact donors changed to T Kocher to contact donors.

Motion made by k Ash and seconded by K Holden to accept minutes as amended.

Treasurer's Report (B Varr)

Current list of expenditures and income are related to the ongoing weekend Water Camp but there are several outstanding payments due for trophies sponsored for Ladies. Treasurer Varr to follow up with those individuals. Motion to accept report made buy K Ash, seconded by K Holden.

Membership Report (S Phillips)

No Report. However someone completed an application at Ladies. S Phillips to follow up.

Conformation Committee

Ladies Dog Show (P Markiewicz): the show went well, trophies were well received and the basket raffle was a success with 14 baskets donat3ed. The merchandise was nicely displayed with several sales (see merchandise report). The subject of food was discussed with the plan for next year to be lighter fare.

AKC approval for A Matches (P Markiewicz): we have received approval from AKC to hold the necessary A matches required to allow the Club to hold Specialties in the future. Dates and judges currently being evaluated/considered with the plan to continue with a Supported Entry in 2017 with the goal of holding the first specialty in 2018 at Ladies.

Merchandise Committee (T Cross Morse)

See report

Water Committee

Water Camp (K Ash); overall the first day has been a success with a small issue regarding the murkiness of the sand in the shallows. Everyone seems pleased with the food, accommodations and instructor. Full accounting is pending.

A discussion ensued with regard to planning for next year, especially identifying a new instructor and location. Also, the overall structure of the Camp should include an intermediate component for current beginners.

Motion by S Phillips, second by B Varr for K Ash to ask Debra Lee Miller Riley to teach next year.

Festivus (S Phillips)

Early planning for Festivus is underway: suggested to move meeting from January as written in the by-laws to a different time of year in an effort to increase attendance. If a

change is made it would be necessary to rewrite this part of the by-laws. Nutmeg has a 3 month window for holding their annual meeting. The date of December 4, 2016 was offered as a possibility, perhaps with a location in central Massachusetts.

Tabled until next meeting.

2017 National Specialty (P Markiewicz)

Sub-Committee Chairs have been selected after very careful evaluation by Chairs.

Kathy Ferrandino is chairing the Volunteer Committee.

The event is obligated to spend \$18000 in food (not including beverages) at the host hotel.

Mayflower is responsible for Hospitality, which includes but is not limited to the following:

Auction Night (B Varr) will need 50-100 items with approximately 12 'big ticket' items.

Final Banquet

Discussion included offering a special welcome reception sponsored by Mayflower for those participating in water work, who often leave before the conformation events and other welcome activities.

Further discussion tabled until the next meeting.

By-Laws Committee (S Phillips)

Two committee members have had to resign their positions and must be replaced. The goal is to complete by-law revisions by late summer. Two names were offered as possible replacements. S Phillips to contact these individuals.

The Tracking Club of Massachusetts was suggested as an example of simple by-laws for reference.

Other Business

Old website: needs to be taken down. K Holden to speak with Kim Nickerson at the water camp on Sunday.

Motion to adjourn made by K Holden, second by C Framson at 5:40 pm

Next meeting to be held Friday, July 1 at 6:00pm at the home of Sally Phillips, 11 Madison Circle, Rehoboth, MA 02769

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Framson

Secretary