

VAST BOARD MEETING MINUTES

October 17, 2006

The VAST Board meeting was called to order at 7:45 p.m. in the building at Nunes Agility Field (NAF) in Turlock, CA.

In attendance were Nancy Tetrick, Mary Van Wormer, Maudeen Martin, Barbara Jones, Mackenzie Pester, Veronica Adrover, John Nunes, Carlene Chandler, Donna Sprouse, Nell Davis, Ann Simmons, Nancy Smith and Debbie McVay.

Minutes were read.

- Veronica A moved and Nancy T seconded a motion to accept the October 2 General Meeting minutes as corrected.
- Motion was approved.

Treasurer's Report – Barbara

- Will have a full treasurer's report at the next meeting.
- She is getting all outstanding membership checks from Joy O'Neill and all CPE trial receipts/reimbursements from Jeanne Nixon.

Membership Committee Report – Mackenzie

- There are about 20 membership renewals so far
- Nancy T will send emails to all VAST members encouraging them to rejoin. The renewal members could just send a check and include any changes—they do not need to sign the release again.
- The membership application form needs to be updated and the liability language needs to be checked. Carlene will determine which membership form is current and will update the form and liability agreement in time for our next meeting.

Historian's Report – Veronica

- Veronica got some pics of members and their dogs are our CPE trial this past weekend and will get together with Mary Phoenix (VAST web master) to update the web site member pics.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CPE Trial – October 14-15 –

- No one was present to give a report on the CPE trial, but Nancy T said she heard many nice, very positive comments about the trial, location, and workers.

NADAC Trial – November 4-5 – Mary Whatley

- Everything is proceeding on schedule, we have contacted our judge and he is looking forward to joining us.
- The Best Western-Orchard Inn in Turlock will waive their \$25 pet fee for anyone attending our agility trials – the exhibitor just needs to tell them at the desk. We will update our NADAC premium for future trials to include this information and will also put it in our confirmations.
- We will use trial bucks to reward some of our workers for this trial for set-up and tear down.
- Since Barbara J will be out of town, we will arrange to deposit the entry checks after the closing date.

USDAA Trial – Feb 3-4, 2007 -- Carlene

- They have secured two judges and will try to get a third. They are planning on three rings so will try for three masters judges.

Publicity Report – Nancy Smith reported:

- She received a thank-you card from St. Francis Episcopal Church for VAST's agility demo at their annual Blessing of the Animals event.
- She also received a thank-you plaque from Calaveras County Animal Shelter for VAST's agility participation in their "Strutt Your Mutt" Fundraiser in Valley Springs.
- Veronica has created a template for more VAST business cards for Nancy (and others) to give out to promote the club and agility opportunities. The club will reimburse her for the cost of the cardstock and ink.

Fundraising Committee – Mary Whatley

- Mary W will not be a full-time raffle coordinator after the Nov NADAC trial.
- Nancy T made a motion to advertise the Fundraising position to the general membership (Barbara J seconded). Once we get volunteers, then the board will make the final selection. This position will be a one-year volunteer position.

UNFINISHED/CONTINUING BUSINESS

- We talked about keeping the Vice President position as Vice President (not President elect). Since the By-Laws would need to be modified, we have decided to continue this topic at the General Membership meeting at the Christmas party.
- A-Frame wheels – we have decided to table this topic indefinitely.

NEW BUSINESS

- First Item: Donations – VAST needs to make our year-end donations. Please send your suggestions with any pertinent information to Nancy T so this can be discussed at the next meeting.
- Second Item: Holiday Party/General Meeting – John suggested Netto's in Turlock. Club will pay a portion of the dinner cost to keep the member's costs down. Suggested dates are Nov 30 or Dec 7 – he will follow-up at the next meeting.

Next board meeting will be Thursday, Nov. 9 at 6:30 p.m. at the field. Everyone is welcome to attend and add their input. Nancy Tetrick will get the meeting date posted on the web site.

Respectfully submitted,

Maudeen Martin
Recording Secretary