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## MINUTES

May 20, 2011  
The Cape Cod Dog

Attendees: Cindy Nicholson, Ed Daniels, Katrina Boucher, Richard Brezner, Karie Miller, Ellen Murray and Jim Lear

### **Welcome**

Ed Daniels welcomed, confirmed quorum and called meeting to order at 6:20 p.m. Reported the Treasurer and Treasurer report was unavailable at this time. Also the Liability Insurance quest for coverage is still being researched by Lu St. Aubin and Noelle Smith, subject tabled for June.

**Lost Dog Committee:** Cindy reported one lost dog (in Wellfleet) recently reported to EDOA by the Eastham Animal Control Officer. Good news! Communication between Police Department and EDOA is working! Better news, dog was found within 24 hours and alert called off.

Katrina brought in a copy of the Paws for Celebration waiver – perhaps use for Bow Wow Bash or events. Cindy to retain waiver and review with the Lost Dog Committee as well.

**Membership Committee:** Ed reported a solicitation mailer was sent out to 100 Eastham dog owners. No results seen yet. One new member did sign up on line today, per Cindy. Ed to check to see if direct result from mailer.

**Shelter:** Ed took floor. Eight EDOA members are active Disaster Animal Response Team (DART) members and have been in training for the past six weeks. Last weekend DART had an emergency simulation drill that went well. Had expected challenges, but within 45 minutes, the shelter was set up ready to accept dogs and cats.

**Fundraising:** Ellen suggested we tag onto other community events to create more EDOA awareness. Possibly have a post office drive? Paws for Celebration on June 12<sup>th</sup> is another great opportunity. Ed is seeking volunteers to man our booth. Katrina also talked about walking teams and has sign up forms. She will bring some for the Bow Wow Bash on Saturday.

**Bow Wow Bash** – Bash is this Saturday. Weather is predicted to be warm and sunny! Three new Banners were bought and ready for show. Article to be in the Cape Codder Newspaper, on Facebook and broadcast email sent out. Discussion ensued on the need for more signage as well as layout of the event and safety for all. Food and water had been purchased by Richard. Karie & Katrina to meet at The Cape Cod Dog before event and take merchandise inventory. Ellen will follow up with Companion Animal Program contact to confirm time.

Attached is breakout of time schedule and responsibilities.

Volunteer setup at – 10:30 – 11AM

Two tents (EDOAs and The Cape Cod Dog). Tie together. One tent will be merchandise, the other to be membership and literature.

Cones & Saw Horses to provide safety around grill area and reserve parking spots for space for mingling

Companion Animal Program volunteers space needed

Signage to be posted at the main parking lot directing to Bee's River

Trash Cans to be set up to include recycling

**TO BRING:**

- Ed: Camera, Literature, water for dogs, banners, trash cans & bags,
- Katrina: Tent, merchandise (t-shirts, etc.), name badges, Dog treats, little cooler with hot dogs, tables, tub for food donations with signage, camera
- Cindy: Tent, Fire Permit, new brochures, dog water bowls, two coolers, tables, cones, table saws, serving platter, camera, Signs: Arrows, Thank you donation signs, Sponsor signage (Ben & Jerry's- North Eastham *Free doggie "sundae" with any adult purchase*)
- Ellen: ice
- Richard: Food
- Lu: Gas Grill, table(s), tubs for food donations
- Judy Sendak: table

Volunteers for set-up: Judy Sendak, Peter & Norma Trichero

**WILEY PARK:** Concerns for over usage of the park and dog complaints received to the Eastham ACO. At this time it is felt by the board a dog park is not the answer, educating the active members as well as spreading the message to visitors. Posters of "protocol and dog etiquette" to be created. Not acceptable for a dog to run up to other dog walkers, friendly or not, some people do not like dogs and will complain.

**OPEN BOARD POSITION:** There are 3 individuals who have expressed interest to be on the board. One individual has attended one meeting, the second was "unknown" and the third is very active at Wiley Park, DART and has expressed interest in being on the board. Many already know her enthusiasm, energy and determination to face challenges that are thrown her way. Cindy N made a motion to appoint Cindy Blum into the open position. Katrina seconded – unanimous, Cindy B now on board. The October Annual Meeting, officer and board terms will be up for re-election. Ed will consult with Lu for which officer/board member term this pertains to.

**MERCHANDISE:** At the conclusion of the Bash on Saturday, Richard will complete an inventory of merchandise. Katrina will put together an order (new colors) for a vote approval from the e-board to order more.

**CHANGE OF COMMAND** – Ed on summer hiatus. Cindy N to relieve him of his command during the summer. Next meeting June 16<sup>th</sup>.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Nicholson, Board Member