



Eastham Dog Owners' Association
August 20, 2015 Board Meeting Minutes

Board Members Attending: Per Bentsen, Ruth Bentsen, Dianne Cullen and her Boston Terrier Elvis, Karie Miller, Ellen Murray, Cindy Nicholson, Tracey Plantier,

Visitors Attending: Joanne Baldauf, Maureen Gossoo

Absent: Cindy Blum, Ed Daniels, Larry DiBona, Kathy Herrick

The July 16, 2015 meeting minutes were approved. (Motion to accept by Vicky Anderson, Diane Cullen 2nd, passed unanimously).

TREASURER'S REPORT: Ruth presented our year-to-date activity against our 2015 budget.

Income through today totaled \$4,998 with expenses through the same period totaling \$2,485. Our total assets are currently \$14,866.81 (\$12,497.78 bank balance, \$2035.62 CD, \$333.41 PayPal).

Discussion was held on the subject of rolling over the CD for another six months. It was voted unanimously to transfer the CD to a 1 year term which has higher return. (Vicky Anderson moved, Ellen Murray, 2nd)

Motion to accept Treasurer's report was made by Cindy Nickelson, Ellen Murray 2nd, passed unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE/NOTEWORTHY ITEMS:

Bernie Kaplan's dog, Moxie, has a new forever home; Claire Kaplan sent an e-mail.

The Animal Rescue League of Boston sent a thank-you note for our recent donation. The Eastham Chamber of Commerce sent a letter in re the Taste of the Cape proceeds of which we received \$266.79. The funds will go to LCAST.

We received an e-mail from Expertise.com in re pet safety. We should check this out.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Education

· Ellen reported that we will have Jack Bakker from the Brewster Animal Rescue League be the guest speaker at our annual meeting in October. He will discuss the history and mission of ARL, along with their fostering and adoption program, animal cruelty work, and educational programs. This will give us a great opportunity to learn more about and partner with yet another organization dedicated to animal welfare. We have a stipend in the budget for this presentation.

Lower Cape Animal Shelter Team (LCAST)

· Per Bentsen stated that there will be a walk-through at NRHS in the near future.
· There was much discussion about the Conex Box that holds our supplies at NRHS.
· The team will have a meeting and bring back further information to the Board.

Membership

- * We currently have 168 memberships for 2015.
- * Maureen Gossoo offered to help with printing needs.

Buddy Scholarship

- * Currently has a balance of \$1,240.00.

Mutt Mitts



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- * All is well with the exception of a beehive at Salt Pond.
- * Rosemary Ra has been helping out at Wiley Park with picking up the bags people leave behind on the trails. We have thanked her with a hat and a membership in EDOA.

Merchandise

- * We continue to supply the information booth with brochures.

Nominating Committee

- * Cindy Blum is the person to contact if we know of someone who might be interested in being on the Board of Directors.
- * After considerable discussion, it was decided that the Nominating Committee will present to the Board a slate of Officers for the annual meeting. * The Board should be active in seeking new members.

Lost Dog Network (LDN)

- * Discussion was held in re the color of the signs posted during a search. It is believed that yellow is supposed to be more eye-catching than the red ones we have traditionally had.
- * Felice Coral and Kim Inman have joined as coordinators. Kathy Herrick is stepping down.
- The summer has been a good one.
- Ruth Bentsen has agreed to alter the extra large vests for the LDN searchers.

A Motion to Accept all Committee Reports was made by Vicky, Tracey 2nd, passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

- * Cindy Nicholson updated us on the status of Windmill Weekend; all positions for the booth are filled, the raffle is coming together, and merchandise is being ordered for the booth. * There will be a fundraiser in September at Karoo; Karie will co-ordinate with Ed.

NEW BUSINESS

- * Tracey introduced the possibility of telephone conferencing in our meetings at Town Hall. No action was taken.
- * Tracey informed us of new signs re dogs on beaches in the CCNS.

Upcoming events

- September 12-13 – Windmill Weekend
- Annual meeting October 15,
- 2015 · Turnip Festival

A motion to adjourn was made by Ellen, Tracey 2nd, passed. Meeting was adjourned at 8:47 PM.

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, September 17th at 6 p.m. at the Eastham Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Vicky Anderson, Secretary Pro Tem

