



Meeting Minutes
Board of Directors
May 17, 2012

6:13 P.M. The Board of Directors gathered at The Cape Cod Dog, Eastham, MA. Meeting called to order by Ed Daniels, President.

Present: Ed Daniels, Cindy Blum, Cindy Nicholson, Katrina Boucher, Doug Meyers, Kathy Herrick, Per Bentsen, Lu St. Aubin, Ellen Murray

Absent: Noelle Smith, Karie Miller, Richard Brezner

Minutes: The minutes for the April EDOA Board meeting were unanimously accepted with edits.

Scholarship: Cindy B. reports that the committee needs to meet.

Membership: Cindy N. reports we are up to over 129 members.

Bow Wow Bash: Cindy N. moved through her checklist of tasks necessary for a successful Bow Wow Bash. She received volunteers for all. Cindy N. made a motion to expend the funds for the permits required. Seconded by Per. Approved unanimously.

Education: Ellen offered that Nancy Bishop might be a good choice for the Annual Meeting in October. Nancy does demonstrations of agility training. There was some discussion about other topics of interest including the problems of coyotes and ticks. Ellen will contact potential speakers to discover their interest and availability.

Chamber of Commerce Annual Meeting: Ed reports that no one attended the annual meeting and asked if this was a venue that would be productive in achieving EDOA goals. Ed expressed the need for participation if we are to get our moneys-worth. Katrina offered the opinion that it is worthwhile and recommends that we participate in the group. She recommends the "introductory meetings" as having the most potential for making our organization known.

Shelter: The Nauset shelter in Eastham has a shelter lead. There were many new volunteers from Eastham (5?). It is expected that if there is an emergency that the Nauset Emergency Shelter pet component will open. Holly Rogers, CCDART president, will be leader at the D-Y shelter.

Paws for Celebration was a spectacular success. Congratulations to Katrina and Noelle for a job well done. EDOA's presence was deemed a success as the booth had a constant flow of visitors. The booth was well staffed and the staff eagerly engaged the passers-by. Volunteers included Ed Daniels, Per Bentsen, Ruth Bentsen, Doug Meyers, Kathy Herrick, Emma Stevens, Felice Coral, Claire Bransfield, Cindy Nicholson, Sally Strwn, Karie Miller, Betsy Foy, and Lauren McKean. \$191 was realized in donations, 7 memberships, and merchandise sales. Katrina suggested that in leu of a booth fee that EDOA might make a contribution to the Animal Rescue League of Boston (Brewster). No action taken.

Pet Insurance: town of Eastham arranged a discount for employees. Cindy N. reports that the discount from Trupanion Pet Insurance consists of waiving the \$35 application fee. A collective groan registered the board's disappointment.

Dogs in Hot Cars: Ellen requested copies of the informational article / flyer that we have used in the past warning of the danger of leaving a dog in a closed car. Some discussion followed regarding the wisdom and appropriateness of addressing an incident with the owner or with the police.

8:12 P.M. - Motion to adjourn:

Vote: Unanimous

Respectfully submitted: Ed Daniels