

COMPANION ANIMALS COMMITTEE

MINUTES FOR 2-5-09

Liz Brockert called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

The following were in attendance: Kirk Dettloff, Robert Kitche, Robert Lotan, Dawn Rishel, Emily Rishel, Jim Jerse, Connie Robine, nancy Duemling, Liz Brockert, Julie Bergstrom, Brittany Bergstrom, Jacob Bergstrom, Dorothy Murmyluk, Ginny Bloxom, and Anne Crotser

Brittney Bergstorm moved to accept the minutes of the last meeting, Connie Robine seconded that. The motion was passed.

The monthly treasurer's report starting balance was \$301.27. The closing balance was 196.27. A motion to accept the report was made, seconded and passed.

Minutes of January

We needed to change the word judges to presenters in the column about the companion animal karnival.

Brittney Bergstorm's name was spelled wrong in the minutes also.

Julie Bergstrom moved to accept the minutes with changes, Dorothy Marmalock seconded that. The motion passed

Old Business

We discussed sending \$20 to Dianne for the Dumbbell work shop. Rob Kitchen already paid her \$20, our original agreement was to send her \$40. Dorothy Murmyuk moved to accept. The motion was seconded and passed.

New Business:

Rob Kitchen read the list of all of the fair book changes. The departments will be changed form letter categories to number categories. The dog project books will be turned in to the MSU Extension office and Rob will pick them up from there. Nancy Duemling addressed the dress code: No club apparel will be worn at all, jeans accepted only for kids showing back to back animals (goats, etc.). Rob indicated that he would do the best that he could about concerns like tent size, pop-ups, ring area changes, separate tent area for the goats, etc. Anne Crotser mentioned an item missing from the list – the change from one to two passing scores to move up, instead of one. Rob said it

will be added to the list.* if ready they can move up, but they are not forced to move up. End of fair book changes.

The 2009 4-H Superintendent, Jim Jerse, was introduced.

We discussed the need for a point person for the clubs that Jim and Rob aren't part of so that the two superintendents will know who to contact so that all clubs are kept in the loop.

Julie Bergstrom volunteered to be a 4-H Vet Science co-super attendant to replace Nancy Duemling who is stepping down from that position.

Old Business:

Dumbbell workshop: Only four people showed up. A total of \$25 was collected. Gesture to reimburse Rob Kitchen \$20. Julie Bergstrom made the motion to reimburse Rob Kitchen \$20 for expenses he incurred. The motion was seconded and passed. Further discussion focused on sending the flyer out earlier to help get the word out and possibly requiring prepayment.

K-9 Freestyle Training for Kids: Brittney Bergstrom gave a fine description of the workshop (fun). Future dates and location to be announced.

Companion Animal Carnival: There was considerable discussion of presenters, time slots, and contacts. Not everyone has secured a presenter for the proposed topics. Registration is \$10 up to March 6th and \$12 after March 6th. Registrations should be sent to Julie Bergstrom.

Close of meeting 8:08 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Connie Robine

