

CHUGIAK DOG MUSHERS ASSOCIATION
BOD MEETING, January 24, 2012
7:00 PM CDMA Clubhouse
Hotline 689-7899 website: www.chugiakdogmushers.com

Call to Order: 7:00 PM

Board Members Present: Val Jokela, Jackie Fabrizzio, Greg Rhyne, Tom Schonberger, Lois Rockcastle, Ron Adler, Ron Kilian

Old Business

Treasurer Report: Income & Expense Report provided by the Club Treasurer to the Board.

Harold Capp Humanitarian Award: Tom and Val presented a draft rendition of the perpetual trophy to be placed in the Clubhouse. A discussion followed on the individual award.

Motion: (Tom Schonberger, Lois Rockcastle) place a maximum expenditure on the perpetual trophy of \$250; place a \$50 maximum on the individual award. *motion passed*

Connex Update: Val and others gave a general update on the Connex issue and an action plan will be developed.

Mushing 50/32: the Board discussed the reasons to cancel this race and discussed the need to reassess the demand for such an event next year. From a historical perspective, the race began in early December as a starter event on sleds for distance mushers. As the race date was moved back to February over the years, distance mushers were already into mileage and the participation diminished. One idea was to market the event as a 'handlers' race and engage the more prominent mushers in the sport as trail guards, chute judges.

Trail Updates: conditions on the main trail system are excellent. The alternate side needs grooming and we have brush to be cleared and alders cut back. If you are out on the alternate side, please lend a hand and bring a saw. Tiger is down until the weather warms.

Purebred Points Race #3: this event is rescheduled for February 19, 2012. The club will need a minimum of 3 teams for each class to hold the race: 5 dog/6 mile and 8 dog/10 mile. Please e-mail Ron Adler (kaliyasiberians@msn.com) by February 1, 2012 if you have a team to enter or know of an interested musher.

Eagle River Classic: the Board reviewed the Eagle river classic Weekend and the safety issue on the trail the 2nd day. Ron Kilian will look into the pricing on radios and Ron Adler will purchase an OSHA certified First aide Kit.

New Business

SHCAA Race: the Siberian Husky Club of Anchorage Alaska will hold an event at the Clubhouse/trail system on Sunday, April 1, 2012. Members will be in touch with Parks & Recreation to obtain the necessary permit.

General Membership Meeting: next meeting is February 7, 2012 and Val will open the floor for nominations for the Board.

Boy Scouts Project: Justin Savidis contacted the Club and offered to take on some projects with Boy

Scouts. Potential projects include the Kiosk, pole replacements, etc.

'To Do List' for Current and future Board: (1) need an active trail boss for the race season next year and organize regularly scheduled grooming; (2) need two volunteer coordinators to organize two separate crews for race day operations (timers, trail guards, chute judges, etc.); (3) replace light fixture in timing tower; (4) complete operations timeline spreadsheet and operations manual.

Open House in April: with all snow this year, the Board discussed the possibility of having another open house this spring. More to follow on this with Lois Rockcastle.

Ron Adler
CDMA Secretary