

## Minutes for CDMA meeting 8/04/2020

Board Members Present: Bob Bundtzen (Zoom), Robert Forto, Michelle Hill, Scott Maruskie, Deanna Partow (clubhouse and Zoom), Koroush Partow, Alea Robinson (Zoom), Marti Rhyne, Adeline Schlabaugh, Debora Summers (Zoom), Matt Pavegio (Zoom)

General Members Present – none

Call to Order: 7:06 pm

1. Agenda - DS motion, MR 2<sup>nd</sup>, approved
2. Minutes –SM motion, AS 2<sup>nd</sup>, approved
3. President Report (DP)
  - a. Busy month: Insurance, signing up for Parks and Rec, following up with action items; Up to date on everything.
4. Treasurer Report (AS)
  - a. \$185 income
  - b. \$236.02 expenses
  - c. Amazon smile (perhaps generate revenue for CDMA)
5. Dryland Derby Discussion by Board members
  - a. Current COVID mandates – Currently limited to 15 indoors, 25 outdoors with food/drinks, 50 outdoors w/o food drink, plus other social distancing mandates; Mitigation plans would be needed, if an event could be held.
  - b. DS: Modified derby
    - i. with current mandates we are severely limited to # in gathering. Min 9 volunteers, leaves 41 participants, handlers, spectators, etc...
    - ii. Concern expressed by past volunteers and participants. Low volunteer numbers. Low attendance?
    - iii. Concerns about keeping the “sport going” but not cancelling at the last minute – bad for sponsors
    - iv. Recommendation – Cancel the ISDRA sponsored derby and replace with a virtual fun CDMA dryland race. Not sponsored.
      1. Open for one week.
      2. Enter as many classes as you would like.
      3. One “cost” for each “class”. Must be a member (membership \$) and \$10 per class (to be included in pot). No canicross on track, perhaps any 1.8 mile course?
      4. Time yourself – garmin, phone, watch, whatever. Take a picture with dog(s) / equipment to be posted on website! 😊
      5. Submit your time within a one-week window – have a form on the website to accept name/date/class/photo/time
      6. Split the total entries 50/50. 50% goes back to the club (to cover insurance and “maintenance”). The other 50% would be “prizes”, randomly drawn at the end of the “open period”. Not based on times, just the fact that they did it. I suggest 3 prizes. One entry per

class ran. For example, if we brought in \$300 in registration \$, then \$150 would be split into 3 - \$50 randomly drawn prizes.

7. Pros:

- a. Encourages membership \$
- b. No \$ for ISDRA
- c. Presence on the trails, both in training, and the event.
- d. Encourages participants to try additional classes as gear can be borrowed! 😊
- e. Does not require volunteers.
- f. Would not limit participation in the event.
- g. Does not require mitigation plan or dealing with COVID. Of course, suggest social distancing when timing themselves.
- h. No severe financial drain on sponsors or participants in this uncertain time.

8. Cons??:

- a. Championship event as we know is missed
  - b. No ISDRA – but with COVID many events are cancelled
  - c. DP – Apply mitigation plan and do an event
  - d. MR – 200+ at the dog show; social distancing at show worked
  - e. MH – COVID+ exposure; loss of income; outside; may not volunteer
  - f. SM – Requirement for carts; have a machine to bring to the line; tie to the poles
  - g. AS - Virtual race, although too early to know what conditions will be like in October. Not announcing / timing at the Oct. race. Difficult to find other volunteers.
  - h. KP – If social distancing occurs, maintain an event and keep all precautions.
  - i. AR – Virtual; False sense of security in AK. Rate of transmission value is high. Logistics would be greater and already difficult to find volunteers. If in person – the mandates must be followed. Risks of lives needs to be taken into consideration.
  - j. MP – Like the virtual; Also, like having an actual event; Increase in cases and could be overwhelmed as a community. Right now, we need to be safe. Rate of transmission is nominal in outdoors. Starting from poles is more chaos.
  - k. RF – As a participant - Comradery impossible via social distancing. It would not be the same to do it just to do it. From a sponsor perspective – not worth it. Should be cognitive of where we move forward.
  - l. RB – If you can guarantee social distancing and mask wearing then things could probably be OK. Not good for the club when COVID-19 is shut down everywhere else. Perception is bad for the club.
  - m. Motion made by SM to hold derby as planned with current mandate in place at that time; 2<sup>nd</sup> RF; Approved 7 in favor, 4 opposed
6. Trail Committee and Report
- a. Summer projects
    - i. MR -Loppers to cut devils club
    - ii. Scott will work on stands
  - b. Trail Grooming Boss

- i. Orange machine needs oil change.
  - c. Select Skijor days (AR)
    - i. Spoke with skijor groups; Noted CDMA is one of the few clubs that do not allow skijoring on their trails.
    - ii. Potentially set up a schedule for training on the 2-mile trail?
- 7. Race Poster Update (DP)
  - a. Suggestions for businesses to sponsor ad
  - b. Planet Earth? Odd Man Rush? MP may have ideas.
  - c. AR – Pediatric Park Center?
- 8. Animal Control Advisory Board (ACAB) report
  - a. Lots of opposition from other animal groups; no mushers called in
- 9. New Business
  - a. Need to find a replacement for AR as of next month. DP suggested adding both members who were on the ballot. Motion DP, 2<sup>nd</sup> KP, Approved
  - b. Email updates: Went through board list and updated correct emails.

Meeting Adjourned 8:32 pm - DP motion, RF 2nd, approved

Next Meeting Sept. 1, 2020