Minutes for CDMA meeting 6/6/2017

Board Members Present: Val Jokela, Marti Rhyne, Bob Buntzen, Kevin O’Shea, Koroush Partow, Debora Summers, Annie Grenier, Robert Forto, Yvette O’Connor

1. Call to Order: 7:02pm
2. Approval of agenda
3. Approval of minutes
4. Treasurer's report
   1. Accounts are in good shape most likely due to good season, sale of Tigger, Business Person race income
5. Snow machine purchase:
   1. Motion made by Koroush Partow to purchase Arctic Cat Bear Cat snow machine from Kris Rasey for $6000.
   2. Discussed using this machine for transport, secondary grooming, and to augment current system. Machine has low mileage (2200 mi.) on new engine, new transmission, lots of upgrades, 4-stroke, fan cooled (3 fans) and well maintained.
   3. Yvette O’Connor seconded the motion to purchase and was unanimously approved.
6. Trail Report
   1. 2-mile damaged by fat tire bikes; Kris repaired
   2. Kiddy loop to outbound needs work (gravel) but still wet
   3. Kris researching gravel/ crusher tailings donation from Granite Construction
   4. Summer work party will be scheduled (4 people) to spread gravel once obtained; could use another dump truck for this work
   5. Val and Koroush had informal discussions with Eklutna. Will most likely have access to the trails for 2017-18.
7. Clubhouse heater
   1. Val Jokela suggested replacing the heater due to excessive cost of AmeriGas propane bill.
   2. Current propane cost is $ 5.63 per gallon, way above what others pay. Koroush Partow will add CDMA propane to his business account to lower cost per gallon
   3. Koroush Partow will also donate a more efficient heater to the club
8. Title 17
   1. Val Jokela briefed board on Title 17 Mushing license proposal. Currently no opposition to proposed changes which would separate mushers from multi animal facility licenses. Currently 29 known licensed kennels in the municipality.
   2. Pam Schamber drafted a template letter to Assembly members for support of proposal. Will be sent to members.
   3. June 13, 6 pm is the public hearing for comments. All members are encouraged to attend in support of proposed changes. Details to be posted on fb and emailed to members.
9. Race Poster
   1. Annie Grenier and Pam Schamber are working on potential poster advertisers
   2. The CDMA website can accept payments from advertisers
   3. Annie and Pam will work in getting Yvette the ads for the poster as she is working on the graphics
10. Dryland
    1. Alaska Dog Works will replace Speedy Glass as the prime sponsor for the championship event. Debora will work with Michelle and Robert Forto on this transition.
    2. Robert Forto, Annie Grenier, and Kim Wells will take lead on dryland clinic presentations
    3. Sign-up.com will be evaluated as volunteer entry form
11. On-line Sign ups
    1. Marti Rhyne presented 4 options related to online race registrations
       1. no incentives
       2. discount for online registration or late fee added
       3. adding an administrative fee
       4. include online registrants in draw as incentive to sign up
    2. After discussion Marti made a motion to utilize online registration for all races; registration will end at 9 pm the evening before the event; $5 late fee per class will be added to day of event registrations. Koroush Partow seconded. Passed by all.
12. Kid’s Camp
    1. Cancelled due to lack of insurance
13. Race / event schedule for 2017-18
    1. CDMA will be hosting the IFSS Continental Championship race concurrently with the Eagle River Classic
       1. Looking at a minimum $10000 purse
       2. Racers do not need to qualify or be US team member
       3. Fees to IFSS were waived for CDMA
       4. 4,6,8, open, and purebred classes; skijor unknown as no organizers
       5. Neighboring cabins, Microtel, Eagle River motel will accept dogs
       6. Deanna Partow spearheading the banquet
       7. MCDMA willing to be back up trail if snow conditions warrant
    2. Marti Rhyne prosed switching the 36/20 from March to January 27/28.
    3. Full schedule is tabled for approval next month
14. July meeting to be held July 11, 2017 due to holiday

Meeting Adjourned 9:15 pm