

**Minutes: Date: 01/08/14** Meeting Duration: \_1\_ Hrs \_39\_ Mins Time: 8:36 - 10:15 P.M. Est  
Meeting was Adjourned by Debbie Priester 1<sup>st</sup>, the Alaina Pierret 2<sup>nd</sup> App: Gonnie 2<sup>nd</sup> Joe A

PRESIDENT: Carlo Pietroniro NJ (July 2012-June 2014)

VICE PRESIDENT: Joe Attaway AL (July 2013-June 2014) absent

SECRETARY: Lena Moles TX (July 2013- June 2015)

TREASURER: Rachel Hosking LA (July 2013-June 2015) 8:49 enter

SEVEN DIRECTORS:

Carol Armbrust OH (JULY 2013-June 2015)

Alaina Pierret LA (July. 2013-June 2014)

Deborah Priester VA (JULY 2012-June 2014)

Gonnie Shaffer NJ (July 2013- June 2015) 9:11 PM enter

Will McGill CA (July 2013-June 2015)

Santo Donati MO (July 2013-June 2015) absent

Bill Goetz NC (JULY 2013-JULY 2014) 8:40 enter

Presidents Message:

Please everyone "Announce oneself" when entering and exiting and reentry,

**Secretary Report:** All receipts from 2013 mail outs and show prep were passed by BOD to Pay.

An "Application for National Specialty 2015" came in Dec 11, 2013 \_ WE Need to RESPOND !

Report of Nationals Issues: Peggy's Show Report HERE ---

Committee Reports: Ways & Means: Carol had purchased Drool towel with Logo put on,

48 count 11x18 = Cost Total 285.73 BOD Agrees to Sell Each Towel for \$ 12.00

**BOD- VOTED approval to pay Carol for the amount – Rachel has receipts for. Remaining - Donation**

Carol needs to provide remaining receipts, 36 count Polo Shirts have been purchased @ 8.16 each We agreed

FYI - Five towels were sold at Eukanuba - On Dec 20, a Flyer of Merchandise To Sell was sent out Via Email to All Email Members . **Lena – Send Carol A. Photo of the T-Shirts from Mexico**

**Rachel and Carlo both Stated they did not want the Club to pay for the USNMC - ID Cards business type cards, for their use in Foreign Trips and so forth** **BOD Passed to pay Lena Moles Receipts** Alaina 1<sup>st</sup> and Debbie Priester 2<sup>nd</sup> - pass

- A. Membership Committee: **A USNMC Breeder Incentive Invitational** - with a USMNC Breeder Referral, **Incentive a FREE- is Invitational List** offered \_\_ 2014, January to Dec 2014 - Discuss – We Cannot Give a **Subscriber or Membership – in Accordance to the Bi-Laws** - **How Many Newsletters can we GIVE – ( not –All ) One NeoGram ?**

**-- This gets them on the Mailing List – for Next year. ( BOD Discussed and Agreed on this brief incentive) Gonnie 2<sup>nd</sup> it. - All Agreed Passed - All Email info FREE – NeoGram Can be Purchased HOW MUCH \$**

**\*\*\*\*It was Discussed – WE should get more Familiar with AKC and what they can Send out to NEW REGISTERED NEAPOLITAN MASTIFF - Each time. \*\***

Debbie Priester\_Chair: Proposes all Receipts of Membership Correspondence should go to the “USNMC Secretary” \_ ie: the mail in Forms, a copy of the PayPal Receipts ect. This was it comes to the USNMC, P.O. Box 1245, New Ulm, TX 78950 - Lena Can Deposit Funds in the local Regions, Bank, or mail to Rachel .. The Database will be Kept up between Lena & Peggy.

All 2015 Membership Letters were sent out By: Debbie Priester, this year , They went out Dec 19<sup>th</sup>, 2013 - Lena is beginning to receive some ( **and a couple addresses that need updated**)

**A membership meeting will be held soon, to discuss exactly how we will announce the USNMC Breeder Incentive Invitational - Email / mail / ect ....**

- B. NeoGram Committee:

News Letters : The Lansing MI, Show Results Need to Be In & Eukanuba 2013

Alaina - Put off for Later Discussion

\_\_ Newsletter’s will not be Posted On the WebSite – Keeping it Private for the Members Only !

- C. SHOW & National Specialty Committee Report: Carlo Pietroniro – chair Peggy Secretary

**A Letter was sent to Enrique Graziano – Show meeting Tuesday, Report to be Given**

states as individual responsible for the Annual Meeting and Banquet –

If the Banquet is held on Same Day as National At Purina, it has to be held at Purina Upstairs

So the – *Katie – with Purina Farms - Was sent a Letter By Peggy ... all info Confirming*

- MI has submitted their application for hosting the Specialty...this would be 2015 –
- Alaina – Retracted her self from Show Committee – ( busy With Neogram NewsLetter)
- A motion was proposed by Carol, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Alaina – to Ask Membership to Propose Nationals Location for 2015 this was done Via Email - correct Application has to go out,

Treasury Rpt:

At Eukanuba 2013, Rachel Contacted Carlo, About Purchasing a \$ 125.00 set o medallions :

Alaina 1<sup>st</sup> Proposed these Madalions will be purchased Yearly By us, the Parent Club for Eukanuba awards 2<sup>nd</sup> – Debbie Priester

Eukanuba asks all the parent breed clubs to donate medallions to be given out to the top 5 winners. Best of breed, best of opposite, best bred by exhibitor, and select dog and select bitch. Total donation \$125 (When I took office I did not know anything about this and found out when Wendy (secretary) received a letter from AKC / Eukanuba - Gina DiNardo last year. We received approval from the board and we paid the \$125. This year with the secretary transition and AKC communication going in different directions we lost track of this.... (And then when I was their I remembered but thought they weren't offering them). Well, I was wrong as all the working breed clubs had donated except ours..... So with a little persuasion and authorisation from Carlo. I was able to receive the awards and get the acknowledgement for the club. So the winners did receive their medallions for 2013. After the new year I will contact Gina and get her to send a form for approval from the board to have this as a standing order. )

D. Website Committee : Has the Administrators Been Updated to BOD only? Both FB Pages -No

Litter Announcement – For members can be put in the Resources Location of Web Site ??

Alaina brought up Web Site Design - \$ 400. Paid for a Members Only section :

E. Judges & Public Education Committee Report: 5<sup>th</sup> of November 2013 , the final review of the standard passed, the Committee with a Very Few Edits ...

These Edits were going to be placed in by Jim Deppen, then Forwarded on to the Committee for Preview – So we can send it to the BOD ... We have been hoping to get this all done in One Year – It has been 6 weeks and Jim has not forwarded these “Few Edits “ to the Committee, there has been 4 reminders sent out, Lena Moles created a JE Committee Report from the Meeting, a week later – It is attached, Jim neglected to produce a Committee Report. Lena informed Jim, Lena would put in Edits, if he would forward the “NOTES” from the meeting, The Importance of this is what makes it so significant.

Below was On Past Agenda:

J E Committee met on Nov 5<sup>th</sup> - Jim has updates to make, then Send to the JE Committee for review then the JE Committee send the Update to the Officers & BOD for Review, Prior to Sending the Standard to AKC”

Jim announced it at the Annual Meeting and see if Anyone has any “comments” – Membership was given opportunity to make comments about Standard Revision, NO concerns were stated – At Public Meeting.

I am Still waiting on Jim Deppen’s brief Updates on the Standard. – LM Dec 29, Arrived  
The JE Standard Committee has a new Email – Of AKC Prep for January 11, 2014

Lansing MI, Show Judges Educational - I called Rita Biddle to get a Report – 12/29/13 1/2/14 Rita returned call. Troy told her the Seminar was not going to happen, she stated not sure why – due to lack of organization on Troy’s part, (maybe Troy blamed it on me, or JE committee, or Rita said there may not have been enough interest) There are Forms we need to Make to simplify this Process –

Eukanuba “Meet the Breeds” we had NO Booth, we need about 5 Volenteers We have some Banners to Place – Alaina comented – there maybe people Not Members that could Assist, This was NOT PASSED Years Before as Acceptable - Maybe insurance issue ...  
Jim sent a few photo’s in of booths ...

Eukanuba 2013 Judges Education – Report By Jim Deppen

The Eukanuba AKC working institute was a great success we had over 30 judges in attendance this year. I handled the materials portion of the program differently this year since we are in the middle of a standards revision and materials update. I tried to save the club and due expenses, and I notified the group that by signing in with a current email address; I would send them a PDF version of our Power point presentation, and everyone was happy to have that available to them on their computers and tablets. I was informed over the weekend since I presented on Thursday that the concenses of the judges group was the Neapolitan Mastiff presentation was voted as the "Best Presenter" of the group!! This was a really nice comment to receive from the judges Operations at the AKC since they were all there and with our absence at the meet the breeds at least we had a nice showing of 7 dogs that attended the Eukanuba show on Sunday.

Rachel would Prepare a Letter for Enrique Graziano – shoing Ticket Info, Airline, informing hime of this Lena Made a motion, Debbie 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion

F. 2014 Judges Selection Committee Report:

World Report:

The Following need to be talked about ..... This Invitation will go out to the Membership,  
*Greetings Officers & BOD: Wednesday, November 13, 2013*  
*November 8th 9th & 10th Carlo Pietroniro, Rachel Hosking & Lena Moles attended the Mastino Napolitano Specialties in Guadalajara Mexico.*

*Judge Antino Di Lorenzo spoke at length with Carlo about his thoughts on, Uniting the World of Neapolitan Mastiff – Clubs*

*Judge Antino Di Lorenzo - States his pre conceived thoughts ...*

*A. Goal to Unite Mastino Napolitano Clubs thought the World – A World Association*

*B. Goal – Organizing Technical and Educational Material, for the Benefit of the Breed, World Wide. Identifying & Protecting the Neapolitan Mastiff of the Future ...*

*C. Those that Can Access Association & Material :*

*People who are Required Membership of their “Mother Club, USNMC is to AKC”*

*Requiring USNMC Membership to Access – World Association Mastino Napolitano*

*D. Future: World Specialty Shows will be held, South America, Central America, Europe, Naples Italy, Russia ... perhaps more*

*E. Best of Breed Winner of World Specialty Shows – will be paid for “Freezing Semen” A Frozen Semen Bank will be Established – half viles will go to World Mastino Semen Bank The President, Secretary & Treasure have been in discussion about this and are supportive on this World Association – there is also so much National Legislation in countries affiliated to K-9, The World unity can have a stronger form to Collaborate.*

*The Officers & BOD will be asked to discuss the benefits of World Unity for the Mastino.*

*Sincerely,*

*Lena Moles, USNMC Secretary*

Adjourn the meeting: \_\_10:15 p.m. EST\_ Meeting was Adjourned by Debbie Priester 1st, the Alaina Pierret 2nd

Lena Moles

USNMC Secretary

**USNMC Facebook Admins:**

**1/29/14 An Email was sent to Mike, asking him to assist Lena in this Up Date.**

Alaina Burleigh Pierret, Opelousas, Louisiana , Joined over a year ago

Joseph Attaway University of Alabama at Birmingham, Joined over a year ago

Lena Moles , New Ulm, Texas , Added by RuneStone Wendy over a year ago

Ciaran McCloskey ,Owner at CMC Construction Nantucket, Joined over a year ago

Suzanne Storms , Lees Summit, Missouri, Joined over a year ago

Carlo Pietroniro University Added by RuneStone Wendy over a year ago

RuneStone Wendy, Works at Neapolitan Mastiffs, Joined over a year ago

Susan Vann-Spruill, Certified Personal Trainer at Town Center Fitness Joined over a year ago

Heidi Brown Owner at Pour It Construction LLC, Joined over a year ago

Debbie Priester, Beaver creek , Joined over a year ago ,

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