

USNMC
Crossing Over Board Meeting MINUTES
July 1, 2007

Attending Meeting: Peggy Wolfe, Sue Luedemann, Janet Hospador, Robert Gravel, Rita Biddle (signed on at 9:36), Sharon Costello, Donna Welty, Irene O'Connor, Anita Goetz, Jennifer Groves, Kendail Gonzales, Nydia Thornton, Shani Stewart-Robbins

Excused: Ingrid Fortunato

Meeting called to order at 9:06 PM EST

President's Message – Sharon Costello thanked Peggy Wolfe and the entire Board of Directors for all their hard work and dedication. Sharon proceeded to list the inventory* of information sent her from Peggy. Peggy offered to make herself available to answer any questions that may occur or if any background info was needed on a subject.

Secretary's Report: Donna thanked Sue for sending information and went over the inventory* of materials sent to her from Sue and Peggy.

Treasurer's Report – Irene reported the total amounts found in the accounts – see attached sheet. Question asked by Irene was 'How will monies be transferred?' Janet replied that a wire transfer was not possible since checks were still out (\$600 +/- due to Janet for shipping of 30 boxes of ways and means to Jennifer, \$355.86 to Sue for 11 boxes shipped to Donna, \$98.28 due to Peggy for materials sent to Sharon and Donna, \$45.79 and \$11.35 due to Marlene for items sent to Jennifer. Janet also reported that as of June 20th there was a total of \$23,426.23 in Illinois account. There exists Checking Account #1 with a total of \$50.00, a second checking account (for Pay Pal) and a money market account. Janet stated that the Pay Pal would be moved to checking #2 and Account #3 would also go into Account #2.

Irene asked about the Rescue account and Janet informed us that the old rescue account was under Rosemary Rosensteel. Janet had spoken to Rosemary and someone was needed to go to Rosemary's home to pick up information and to speak with her.

Peggy also spoke with Rosemary and reported that Rosemary will call Irene, Sharon and Jennifer (Jennifer stated that Rosemary had called her today – had left msg on machine)

Janet stated that there are 12 pre-signed checks by Tom France and that the checks may have two people authorized to sign them but only one signature was required on a check. Same with National Account – only one signature needed.

Irene questioned the 501C3 status of the USNMC as non-profit. Peggy stated that she had never received any paperwork prior to 1996 but that in an email from Fred Machini (sp?) Mr. Machini stated that the corporation of the USNMC was filed as 501C3. This year's accountant charged \$500 for spread sheet and the 2006 Tax Return was filed on May 11th.

Janet stated that the Pay Pal had been established under Tom's name and Janet's email. Peggy said Pay Pal had been transferred into a money market as was treated as an investment but Pay Pal earned more interest. Peggy stated that Cathy White had a Pay Pal for the National.

Robert Gravel explained about tax filing – that we do have a credit of \$100 +/- and that we need to send in form. Agent will notify us in future – all correspondence will be done on line.
Sharon inquired about the club insurance. Peggy said it had been renewed and good till 3/21/2008. Officers Limited Indemnity.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Website/IT

Robert Gravel reported that User Name & password, password & Domain name had been transferred to Donna. Peggy stated that Robert had paid for the club \$8.00 or \$12.00 for Neapolitan.org and usnmcnational.org -good for 8mos to 2 years???? Kendail had asked if there were any restrictions on the size of pictures. Robert reported no restrictions from program.

Rescue

Peggy gave some background and Jenn confirmed that Rosemary had called. (Rita called in at 9:36 PM) The status remains the same. Jenn had nothing to report to the USNMC at this time. Their lawyer had filed the 501C3 paperwork and the Rescue Committee was scheduled for a conference call on Tuesday, 7/3/07. She would have an update in a week.

Rita questioned monies (club or Rescue?)

Fund Raising

Jennifer had received 3 boxes from Marlene, 30 boxes from Janet of Ways and Means items. Jennifer asked about the status of the on-line store. Stated that basically it was shut down and it would be up to the new BOD to decide whether or not to create one.

Judges Mentoring and Public Education

Peggy stated that 3 seminars have been scheduled – August in PA – to be Given by Sharon, September in Monroe and December in Ohio at the Working Breed Institute. The AKC is conducting a Club Conference in Peachtree, GA on July 20-22 that Peggy will be attending. Peggy stated that Shani Stewart-Robbins and Lisa Cinciripini had presented using some of their own materials. Rita stated that Peggy's "Judge Speak" had been effective. A short discussion on how Judges learn occurred. Peggy concluded by stating that the AKC will send a bill to the club for the information included in the AKC mailings to people registering puppies.

Neogram

The target publishing dates are March – June- September – December. Heather Gialella sends info to printer mid- month. Club is billed after published. Peggy thought the publisher was Synet from Milwaukee – Irene has info for name and address. Heather and Heidi Brown handle the Neogram. Club has 200-225 copies of each issue printed. Rule of thumb – Check number of members and subscribers and add 30%.

Use extra copies to send to new member applicants

Health

Peggy had attended AKC Health Conference in 2005 – should be one this year. Club has designated account that has approximately \$50.00. Parent club determines research topic after health survey is done. Needs a committee head.

Legislation

Donna reported that alerts are posted on website. Donna and Rita gave some input on CA 1634.

2008 National

Fax had been sent to Guiseppe Alessandro by Old Dominion and Peggy. He responded that he was available. Peggy passes the baton to Sharon. Much to be done.

Other

Mentioned that the club needs a Historian. The USNMC will be coming up on its 20th anniversary and a presentation will be needed. The AKC also keeps archives of information for parent clubs. Rita stated that this program was installed about 6 months ago. She is not sure if it is available for no charge. Rita stated that she helped write the standard and by-laws.

Motion to adjourn made by Donna at 10:20 pm. Jennifer 2nd.

Note – Peggy suggest the 10th Edition of Robert's Rules of Order (gold cover paperback)

*Inventory lists from Sharon, Donna and Jennifer