

SMART Board Meeting 11/15/2015

Present: Katrina Parkinson, Laura Hartwick, Michelle Pressell, Roberta Troxell, Janet Massolo  
Called to order at 6:30pm

**Nomination Committee Results:**

Roberta will stay on as board member with 2 year commitment  
Katrina will run for President, vacating her position as a board member.  
Laura will run for Secretary.  
Ernie will run for board member again.  
Diana does not want to continue on as board member  
Vici Whisner will run for board member since there will be a vacant spot.

The slate of positions was approved.

**Treasurer Report:**

Financials for August trial: preliminary profit of \$3000. There is still one check outstanding so this isn't a final amount.  
Currently in the bank is \$23,000.  
The November trial has not been entered into the books yet.

Treasurer's report was approved.

**New Ribbon Trailer Purchase:**

Ernie says that a 6x12' trailer single axle would run about \$3200. A dual axle would run \$4900. These are new trailers. A 6x10' trailer would probably be too small, Ernie is recommending that we go with a 6x12" dual axle. This would help the equipment trailers get a bit lighter as they are currently probably overweighted.

Buying 2 may help the pricing, Bay Team wants to buy a trailer in Jan or Feb, so buying 2 trailers could be a possibility.

How about a used trailer, ie Craigslist? Ernie thinks that buying a new trailer gets a longer lasting trailer. Michelle did a bit of searching and used ones may be considerably cheaper. Used trailers tend to have hidden problems, so it's a possibility but could be a headache to search used ones and have them thoroughly checked out.

What is our budget for a new trailer? Janet said that if the November trailer comes out in the black, then a \$5000 expense for a new trailer would be fine and leave enough money in the bank.

**Replacing the a-frames:**

Ernie looked at 3 different companies. Bay Team got theirs from someone in Southern California, for a pricing slightly lower than Max 200. Their current price is \$1275 for aluminum and rubber. Bay Team got their new ones for cheap shipping because they had the maker bring it up himself. Katrina will email Ernie his info. Katrina thinks it would be nice to have lighter a-frames, but they aren't totally necessary right now. Perhaps replacing just one? Perhaps getting someone, like Lonnie, to bring one back from Southern California.

**August Trial:**

Co-chaired by Katrina and Diana. Lori Abbott asked Diana if she could run an AKC trial at the same time at Manzanita Park at the same time. This was tried in Southern California with 2 simultaneous 1 ring trials. The idea being that it brings new people to USDAA that would normally only compete in AKC. Judges are already hired for August trial. There seems like there are many possible complications with this with not a lot of benefit. The board voted to not try this. Perhaps in the future, someone who supports this idea could present this to the board and the board would consider it at that time.

**Burn off the Bird Fun Match:**

So far, only 5 entries have come in to Michelle. Michelle just sent out another reminder to the email lists. There may be a lot of people planning to enter day-of, but there's no way of knowing right now. Michelle can send out an email trying to get a head count.

Meeting adjourned at 7:15pm