

**MINUTES:
TALLAHASSEE HUNTING RETRIEVER CLUB
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
OCTOBER 4, 2004
FRED RIGSBY'S RESIDENCE**

CALL TO ORDER:

Sam called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Present:

Sam Ferguson – President

Sue McDonald – Secretary

Bill Pedersen – Treasurer

Clint Beckham

Wayne Dodson

Bob Hughes

Jerry Perkins

Fred Rigsby

Bear Strickland

Mary Veitch

Not present:

Becky Malphus – Vice Pres.

Linda Branning

Sallie Sullivan

Guests:

Jim Branning

Ashley Dodson

Jeannie Ferguson

Sue Griffin

Laurie Williams

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING:

Minutes of the last board meeting were handed out at the beginning of the meeting for members to read. Bill made a motion and Clint seconded to approve them as written. There were no objections.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Bill handed out a profit and loss statement for the period from 1/01/04 through 9/14/04 and a balance sheet as of 9/14 and answered inquiries from Board members. He also passed out profit and loss statements for the AKC spring hunt test, the May THRC workday and the June fun test. Bob made a motion and Jerry seconded to approve the reports. There were no objections. Copies of these reports are attached.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Radio use at tests – Sam said Sallie did not order any and he would follow up.

Road to the training pond - Sam will ask Tim Powell, Sallie's manager, to do the turn outs as discussed at the previous meeting. Jerry is to order one more load of gravel which should cost \$200-300/load.

Spraying for weeds - The very back pond was not done. We will re-address after the spring hunt test.

Fall Hunt Test – Sam indicated that ducks have been ordered. Bill was asked to contact Rick Orso about bird boys. We will use participants for the Friday test. Pepi will be hired to do the concession and Saturday tailgate party. Clint was appointed to be the Game Steward and will be assisted by Wayne. Jerry Perkins has been asked to replace Andrea Fisher as a Master judge. Bill asked for clarification on our scratch policy. Sam explained that refunds would be given to bitches in season or for injuries (with a vet's certificate) and should be requested before the closing date. Bill explained that he won't be able to be at the fall hunt test, but will arrange for Jim Branning to handle essential check writing for the event.

Logo contest – Mary made a motion and Sue seconded that we have a contest. It will be announced in the next newsletter and results will be announced in January in conjunction with the annual membership meeting.

Repairing "Maid's Quarters" - This is now a dead issue. In it's place we will now pursue renovating the "White House" to be rented for additional club income. Leslie Karnes has a yearly agreement with Sallie to lease it for three months of the winter but the club can rent it the rest of the year. Sam, Jeannie, Linda and Sue Griffin agreed to paint it. Bob made a motion and Jerry seconded to have the club take on this responsibility. There were no objections. Sam asked Jerry to Chair the committee to care for the house. Sue Griffin, Laurie Williams and Jim Branning were appointed to the committee.

NEW BUSINESS:

AKC Arbitration issue – Sam asked Bob to provide pro bono services to look into the choice AKC gives clubs to arbitrate rather than go to court if the club is sued and how this will impact our club insurance.

Training pond dam – The dam at the last pond that retains the water for all the training ponds broke recently. In Sallie's absence, Sam plugged the break with a rented back-hoe. Jerry was asked to get estimates on the cost of repairing to him and he will work with Tim Powell and Marty Adams on repairing. Bob made a motion and Bill seconded to make the repairs with the maximum cost not to exceed \$10,000. There were no objections.

Nominating committee – Sam appointed Jerry to Chair the committee comprised of Jerry, Bob, Bear, Laurie Williams and Sue Griffin for the election of next year's board members.

Laurie Williams volunteered to take over the responsibilities of Hunt Test Secretary as Mary requested we find a replacement.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Bob and seconded by Wayne to adjourn at 8:30. All approved.