**Called to Order** **by** Rose Hallman **at 6:58 pm**

**Approval of Minutes** - **Date** June and July Minutes sent by email. Sandy moved; Betty 2nd to approve. Unanimous approval.

**Attendance:**

**Board Present:** Betty Brakefield**,** Chris Gabel, Rose Hallman, Carol Ouhl, Sandy Mauck, Bobby Moore-Reibel, Cinda Waller, Lois Walton,

**Board Absent:** Carol Lauren-Schmidt ,Kathy Sianko, Peggy Simerson, Tim Peterson,

**Members & Guests:** Kate McKee-Boston Terrier Club, Janeen Knowles, Kris Hassig, Lorin Brakefield, Brian Aase, Nona Dietrich, Wendy Olson, Bill Lozito, Diane Prange, Jennifer Knowles, Mike Dekwall, Alan & Joanna George, Jeanine, Lauren, Sean & Mickie Owen, Jill Bellman, Tanna Halpen

**President Report:** Thank you all for coming. Hope everyone enjoyed our picnic buffet that started at 6pm.

**Vice President Report:** None

**Secretary Report:** **Corresponding**: Chris – Nothing. **Recording Secretary:** Nothing

**Treasurer Report:** Lois - Started July with $34,951.90. Expenses $1600 for new metal fencing for demo field and $1000 for our junior scholarship. Ended month with $34,064.91. Betty noted there was an incorrect year (1900) on a line. Lois had corrected it. **Accept Treasurer Report**  as emailed with the correction noted by Betty. Chris moved;Bobby **2nd. Report Accepted:** Unanimous

**Committees:**

**Membership:** Bobby all renewals received. PayPal with the bank is online and working. New Associate membership application created for use by co-owners, puppy buyers, and non-resident family members. It was sent to all members who might need it.

**Constitution/Bylaws:** Carol O It doesn’t appear any changes are needed to Bylaws in response to Peggy’s questions; but still double checking. Does appear changes will be needed to some forms. There will be a change needed to Bylaws for the new Associate Membership.

**Directory**: Bobby **–** no report

**Legislation:** No legislation occurring. We all enjoyed watching the Gr Dane puppy play with a styrofoam bowl.

**Education:** Carol Lauren-Schmidt no report

**Outreach/Recruitment:** Betty has nothing

**Juniors:** Wendy – The Juniors / 4H demo will be all day Aug 30th. Our $1000 Scholarship went to a girl who has helped Bobby and others with dogs at several shows and feels that has increased her self-confidence. She is going to be an Electrical Engineer and while still in high school is already taking advanced courses.

**Social Media:** Peggy – No report

**Sunshine**: Wendy – Joann Grimsrud’s husband passed away

**Grievance: None**

**Website:** Diane Prange - Nothing

**State Fair:** Rose – Thank you all for volunteering. Apologies for the software glitch that allowed multiple people to sign up for same time. Thanks for being flexible in juggling schedules.

**Bench assignments** are full

**Demo schedule** is full.

**Insurance - Parking-** A few things have changed.

**Insurance**-We’ve always been required to purchase our own liability insurance. The demo groups have their own insurance. This year we also have to pay $85 to purchase insurance from the State Fair.

**Parking Passes:** In the last couple years there has been abuse of parking passes by unauthorized people. Two cars had to be towed last year. Fair staff have also noticed abuse. To control that the new rules for parking passes are: Our MPDBA label has to be printed on the passes. A line has been added requiring each of us to write our license plate # on the pass. Rose has to provide the Fair with a detailed spreadsheet of name, license # and date(s) of authorized use. For her own organization, Rose has always kept a spreadsheet of name, breed, rabies receipt, dates, vehicle. This will now be provided to the Fair along with additional info required. If an unauthorized vehicle is in our parking lot, we will attempt to locate/notify the owner to move the vehicle. If owner cannot be contacted, vehicle will be towed. Our Tiger Lot for parking has been renamed Pet Pavilion Parking Lot.

**Tickets**- in the past we’ve always provided a rough estimate of how many entry tickets we would need for members and were given that number. Then we returned any we hadn’t used. Some years our Club had to purchase more tickets than the Fair gave us. This year the Fair wants a more accurate count. Rose has to provide the Fair a list of names attending each day. Demo groups will have to individually list each of their participants and license #. Demo groups continue to be limited to 25. The Fair will give us the number of tickets on our lists.

**Additional Changes this year:** **(1)** AT&T is now sponsoring the Pet Pavilion. They will have tents, and their staff promoting the Company in front of the Vendor Pavilion. They will be bringing in a large truck/trailer display that will take the entire space on the curb from the beginning of our Pavilion all the way back to the driveway behind the Vet Center. The street needs to be open for people and first responder traffic. **(2)** As is true from previous years, we may not walk our dogs out in that street. **(3)** There are some new vendors on our north end. (Next year there will be a new restaurant and a food court.) **(4)** People staffing the info desk can no longer eat food at the desk. We need to step back between the benches to eat. **(5)** There will be new carpeting on the benches this year and each future year. The carpeting is inexpensive eliminating cleaning and maintenance.

**Pavilion Setup:** This year it’s scheduled for Wednesday before the Fair opens on Thursday instead of the weekend before. Setup will begin about 9:30 a.m. Come help if you can. Benches have already been power washed and started out cleaner this year as the Fair stored them in the Hangar over winter.

As in the past, if you are benching the 1st day of the Fair, you may come in and setup on Wednesday anytime after 3:30pm

**Other Info: (1)** Reminder: Our hours are 9am to 9pm. Traffic is always heavy starting early the first few days. So leave early to get thru the traffic. That applies to people doing the afternoon shifts as well. Morning shift plan to be here by 8 am to set up your booth before our exhibit opens. **(2)** K9 demo ends between 7:30 and 8pm. We expect a lot of traffic by our benches after that. **(3)** There will be large portable lights in parking lot for those who are here til closing. **(4)** Extra police and security will be on site as well as a security camera on the street sign on our corner. **(5)** If the temperature is extreme the Fair Committee will determine if our hours need to be shortened. If you or your dogs need to leave for safety, be sure to notify the desk people before you go. **(6)** If the weather is extreme, the restroom building across street from us is our shelter. We can take our dogs with us. **(7)** There will be at least 1 Board member at the info desk each day. If you have a problem, contact them. **(8)** Someone will make hourly rounds of each bench to see if you need a break or fetch food for you.

*Our MPDBA State Fair Committee received a huge round of applause for their hard work and job well done.*

**Adjourn:** Loismoved; Sandy 2nd. Meeting adjourned at 7:35 pm.