

## MINUTES

### REMC GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

September 12, 2015, Vallejo, CA

The meeting was called to order by Diane Collings, President.

#### **Present**

Diane Collings  
Barbara House  
Patti Wilkinson  
Dick Greaver  
Mary Greaver  
Nancy Harvey  
Toni Hyland  
Karin Weseloh  
Bob Weseloh  
Don Lindfors  
Kathy Lindfors  
Margo Lauritsen  
Trinette Pierce  
Carla Sanchez  
Jann Lanz  
Susan Dahl

#### Guests Present:

Marissa Weseloh  
Doreen Dysert  
Di Bassett  
Marie Boyd  
Andy Boyd  
Debbie Walker  
Carrie olin  
Maria Ruoto  
Kara Berrey  
Meredith Bostain  
Tony essing  
Val David  
Christi Lubler  
Greg Lubler  
Breanne Hernandez  
Mindy Roman  
Karen Robison

Dianne Collings opened the meeting by acknowledging all of the guest who were present for the REMC Specialty. Guests came from Arizona, Washington, Oregon, Hawaii, New Jersey and Pennsylvania. Dianne then introduced the REMC Board members.

### **Minutes of Meeting**

Minutes from the August meeting were posted on line. Corrections were submitted by members after posting.

**MOTION #1:** Motion to approve minutes of the August meeting, as amended was made by Karin Weseloh, seconded by Toni Hyland. Motion carried.

### **President's Report:**

Diane Collings reported the REMC Specialty had just concluded, and thanked the group for attending. Diane reported that REMC will be hosting the MCOA National Specialty in 2017.

### **Corresponding Secretary's Report**

No report.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Patti Wilkinson reported the balance in the Small Business checking account is \$2,468.69; the balance in the Business Market Rate Savings account is \$7,416.34; we earned \$0.19 in interest this quarter.

**MOTION #2:** Motion to approve the Treasurer's report made by Barbara House, seconded by Nancy. Motion Harvey. Motion carried.

### **Report of Committees**

**REMC Specialty:** Karin Weseloh thanked everyone who helped with the Specialty. Dianne Collings presented Karin a gift for all the work in coordinating the REMC Specialty.

### **Rescue**

Trinette reported Barbara House has 2 older mastiffs; Dick Greaver currently has 5 mastiffs, he has placed 3 and may have homes for some of the remaining dogs (2 males, 3 females; between ages of 3 and 6 years); Trinette is expecting 3 more to come into Rescue, a brindle male and 2 older dogs.

REMC is tentatively set to received about \$6,000 from Maddies Fund. Unfortunately this will be the last time they are doing a Maddies fund distribution.

It was suggested that I REMC posts pictures of the rescue mastiffs on the BASH website; they get lots o hits.

Trinette reported we are looking for foster homes and people that can provide transporation for dogs.

## **New Business**

### 2016 REMC Specialty

Karin agreed to be the Coordinator. She asked for someone to assist with coordination, so there will be more than one person who is familiar with all that needs to be done.

### Constitution and Bylaws Committee

Toni had contacted an attorney, Sharon Coleman, who had helped REMC with its original bylaws. Sharon indicated we do not need a Constitution. Barbara House said the Working Dog club is currently working on its Bylaws and using Sharon as their attorney. She suggested the two clubs could work together and share expenses.

### 2017 National MCOA Specialty

Karin reported we have identified a judge, Bill Hemple, we need him to sign a contract.

We have planned a week-long event: Friday would be the MCOA Western Regional Specialty, we've received approval from MCOA for this event. Saturday and Sunday REMC would have a supported entry at the Hangtown Kennel Club (Placerville, C). Monday would be the REMC Specialty; the MCOA National Specialty would start on Tuesday.

REMC will be looking for people to work on the 2017 specialty. Nancy will do trophies for Monday through Friday; Margo will do trophies for the supported entries on Saturday and Sunday; Karin will do the Banquet; Dick Greaver and Bob Weseloh will do the outside grounds and Eric Lauritsen will do inside grounds. We need a hospitality chair. As an incentive to volunteering for the Specialty, REMC has some staff rooms for \$69/night which can be assigned to some of those who work on the Specialty.

We have a room to be the hospitality room; it is the only room which we can bring in our own food; we will be allowed to bring food to the welcome party, which will be outside. All other food must be purchased from the hotel.

### **New Members:**

There was a second reading of the membership application for Don and Kathy Lindfors. A vote was taken; after which the Lindfors were welcomed as members.

### Supported Entries

Supported entries for tomorrow – Margo has the trophies; she also has the trophies for the MCOA supported entries at Del Valle.

### Practice Ring

Karin reported MCOA is encouraging clubs to set up a practice ring – a place for people to go to practice with their dogs. It would require someone to be at the ring to help people. Clubs can charge for use of the ring.

### Lifetime Membership

Carla Sanchez asked about Lifetime Member status. Dianne Collings stated that REMC awards Lifetime Membership status based on length of time as a club member and contributions to the club. Dianne reported the Board would be talking about Lifetime Member status at the Board meeting.

MOTION #3: Motion to adjourn made by Nancy Harvey.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Dahl,  
Recording Secretary