

05/24/25 GM @ Kalamazoo WMABC

Meeting Minutes

Attendees: Stephanie Friend, Cindy Klinefelter, Terry Sutton Fuller, Connie Younggreen, Sheila Tatman, Lori Peznowski, Nathan Ney, Eugene Ney, Cindi Kursner, Dawn Staffen, Chuck Ilango, Kathy Mace, Linda Chadwick, Jill Britton, Steve Britton, Melanie Reynells, Marie Acosta, Ryan Bandrick, Chris Halatek, Annie Halatek, Lynda Dunn, Andrea Carpenter, Lawren Coulam, Robert Kinney, Brinda Ganesan, Jenny Zablotny

Call to order: 1:02pm

Message from President: Thank you for coming. The Regional Speciality is tomorrow. Thank you to all those who made it happen.

Recording Secretary Report Out: none

Move to accept minutes from previous mtg (March 2025): Jenny moved, Ann seconded

Treasurer report:

Treasurer's Report as of 5/31/25					
	Beginning	Transfer	Income	Expense	Ending
Awards	-\$5,468	\$0	\$1,934	\$3,936	\$402
Draft Test	-\$8,433	\$0	\$13,365	-\$394	\$4,537
Draft Workshop	\$400	\$0		-\$400	\$0
Dues	\$143	\$0	\$17,891	-\$16,968	\$1,066
Education Newf	-\$5,254	\$0	\$4,370	\$1,582	\$698
General	-\$13,475	\$0	\$3,479	\$11,062	\$1,066
Hospitality	-\$197	\$0	\$20	\$177	\$0
Meeting Site Fee	\$203	\$0		-\$203	\$0
Money Market	\$12,363	\$0	\$276	-\$1,000	\$11,639
Noble Newf	-\$2,272	\$0		\$2,672	\$400
Picnic	-\$2,214	\$0	\$425	\$1,897	\$108
Regional Specialty	-\$15,740	\$0	\$19,306	\$540	\$4,106
Santa Parade	-\$3,230	\$0	\$3,783	\$13	\$566
Store	-\$1,824	\$0	\$1,287	\$537	\$0
Trophies	-\$3,841	\$0	\$3,381	\$460	\$0
Water Test	-\$58,135	\$0	\$60,862	-\$381	\$2,345
Water Workshop	\$1,000	\$0	\$2,530	-\$3,530	\$0
Total	-\$105,974	\$0	\$132,908	\$0	\$26,935

Corresponding secretary report out: none

Committee report:

Water Test: 2025 This year's logo is Make a Splash. Merchandise (t shirts, hoodies, bags, drinkware) up on the website and in the premium list. Premium will come out in a few weeks. Judges are Sue Marino and Joyce Butler. Contact Sheila Tatman for more information. Registration opens July 3rd week.

Water Workshop: The Water Workshop will be held on June 21 and 22 in Montrose, MI. Saturday will cover the basics, while Sunday will focus on advanced techniques. The cost to attend is \$40 for members and \$55 for non-members. Dry camping is available on-site. Bag lunches will be offered for \$5 each, and an order form will be available on Monday. For questions, please contact Melanie Reynells, Secretary. Additionally, a Steward Workshop is scheduled for July 20 at Island Lake during the picnic to be led by Dawn Staffen.

Regional Specialty 2026: For next year's Regional Specialty, we're exploring changes to boost participation. One option is to hold two specialties and scale back on trophies to help manage costs. If we opt for a concurrent specialty (unlike the designated all-breed Regional we're doing this year), we could host our own event and include VN without paying for an additional concurrent show. One idea is to continue with a designated all-breed Regional earlier in the day, followed by a concurrent specialty later in the afternoon. More information to follow. We're also currently seeking trophy sponsorships for next year.

Draft Test 2025: We are currently exploring potential dates for a Fall draft test, but scheduling is proving challenging. As an alternative, we may plan to hold the test in Spring 2026. We are also in need of stewards to assist with the event. Sheila Tatman will serve as the test secretary.

Old business:

For the upcoming year, the current board will remain in place, as no new nominations were received from the floor. Melaine motioned. Lawren seconded.

New business:

We are reading in two sets of applications –

- Lucy and David Ordoobadi
- Jeff Kolk and Deb Deyers

As a reminder, Lawren Coulam's pond will be available for water practice for those who wish to use it. She is located in Niles, MI.

Motion to adjourn – 1:23pm. Ann first, Lawren seconded.

**Minutes by Brinda Ganesan
Recording Secretary**