

Arctic Bird Dog Association
Minutes for 2024 2nd Quarter Board of Directors Meeting

Date: April 2, 2024

Location: 49th State Brewing in Anchorage

In Attendance:

President: James Ohlinger
Vice President: Randy Breaux
Treasurer: Jessie Chmielowski
Secretary: Dawn Gerety
Director: Chuck Stielstra
Website: Dana Stewart
Membership: Tina Veldkamp
By-laws: Isobelle Mahooney
Ryan Mahoney

The meeting was called to order by President James Ohlinger at 6:10pm

Approval of Last Meeting Minutes:

The minutes from the last meeting were unavailable. Secretary, Dawn, will create them from the Zoom recording and distribute them to the Board of Directors for review and approval.

President's Report:

- ABDA needs to sign an updated lease and provide a certificate of insurance to BDA before any 2024 events.

Vice President's Report:

- July Hunt Test: Confirmed one in-state judge and one out-of-state judge.
- Hunt Test Secretary: Everything is on target.

Secretary's Report:

- No report was given.

Treasurer's Report:

- Current bank balance: \$42,425
- Payments are received via PayPal through the website and mailed-in checks, deposited into the association's checking account weekly.
- Investigation into non-profit pricing for electronic payment transactions is underway.
- Required forms for the State of Alaska have been filed with updated BOD member and address information.
- Insurance binder updates for 2024 properties are being taken care of.

Standing Committee Reports

Bird Program (Chuck Stielstra):

- Funds available for bird order pending invoice from vendor.
- Event calendar needs to be updated with training days so members know dates to pick up birds.
- Bird Pen maintenance: Work day TBD

Website (Dana Stewart):

- Event chairs need to provide information to Dana for website updates.
- Discussion of current website limitations because of outdated platform. Quotes received for website development ranging from \$4K to \$15K. Dana to gather more details before bringing to the membership.

Membership (Tina Veldkamp):

- Current membership: 85 with 20 new members.
- Considerations for transitioning to a calendar year registration system discussed.

By-laws (Isobelle Mahooney):

- No report was given.

Events (Randy Breaux):

- Training class enrollment: Novice pointer class is full. Flushing class still has available spots to fill.
- Gunners Workshop at Birchwood: Discussed. This would also be ideal for handlers. TBD
- CPR Certification class: Discussed. TBD

Unfinished Business:

None.

New Business:

- Hunt Test Secretary: Current secretary is retiring and has a replacement.
- Gaming license: Discussion for grants for the association as a 501(c)3 non-profit.
- Gunners Choice Awards: Need to discuss

The meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm.