

Midwest Borzoi Club Board Meeting
 Agenda
 October 25, 2021 8:30 pm EST / 7:30 pm CST
 Conference call number 614-721-0867
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Attendance:

Anne Midgarden	X	Liz Duncan-Burge	
Tina Wismer	X	Amy Balthrop	X
Rebecca Heighton-Drollinger	X	Pam Leichtnam	X
Amy Sikula	X	Dana Thompson	X
Frank Zajac	X	Jamie Bobrowski	X
Tami Marshall	X		

1. Meeting began at 8:34 EST. Board members present (see above). Board members absent: Liz Duncan-Burge

2. Minutes from last Board meeting (July 2021).

Motion to Approve July 2021 board meeting minutes – Dana Thompson
 Second – Pam Leichtnam
 Motion passed.

3. Report of the Recording Secretary – Amy Sikula.

114 members. 61 life members, and 53 regular members.
 All members renewed except one.

Motion to Approve Recording Secretary report – Frank Zajac
 Second – Tina Wismer
 Motion passed.

4. Report of the Corresponding Secretary – Rebecca Heighton Drollinger.

- The 2021 judges are available on the club website. Here are the approved specialties and judges for 2021-2023:
 - November 20, 2021-Columbus, OH
 Sweepstakes – Chris Moyer
 Regular Classes - Shen Smith

Supported Entry on Sunday (Ray Filburn, Sweepstakes – Deborah Dine)
Specialty Arrangements Chair is Amy Sikula.

- May 28, 2022 - Kalamazoo, MI
Sweepstakes – Pam Leichtnam
Regular Classes – Anne Midgarden
Show Chair is Frank Zajac and Trophy Chair is Amy Sikula.

- September 24, 2022 - Independent @ Crown Point (pending reserving
the park after Jan 1)
Superintendent - Erie Canine Event Services
Sweepstakes – Terry Ann Doane
Regular Classes – Dr. Jim Sillers (pending written contract)
Borzoi Lure Coursing Borzoi Judge – TBD
All Breed Trial on September 25, 2022
Show Chair is Pat Murphy and Trophy Chair is Amy Balthrop.

- May 27, 2023 - Kalamazoo, MI (Saturday or Sunday)
Sweepstakes - TBD
Regular Classes – Jon Titus Steele (pending written contract)

- August 12, 2023 - Caledonia, WI
Sweepstakes – TBD
Regular Classes – TBD

Rebecca is currently working on the independent specialty and Kalamazoo specialty in 2023.

Discuss 2025 judge nominations. Rebecca will remove any nominations who are not eligible and the remaining names will be sent to the membership in the January mailing.

Motion to Approve the Corresponding Secretary report – Pam Leichtnam
Second – Amy Balthrop
Motion passed.

(via email) Motion to hold the Fall 2023 specialty show in Caledonia WI as a concurrent – Pam Leichtnam
Second – Amy Sikula
Motion passed.

5. Report of the Treasurer – Frank Zajac.

Motion to Approve the Treasurer's report – Tina Wismer

Second – Jamie Bobrowski

Motion passed.

6. Report of the Committees.

- **Annual Awards** – Anne Midgarden.
- **Document Proof Reader** – Christiana Hartenstein. (no report needed).
- **Hall of Fame** – Barbara Tyler-Lord. (No report needed, since the Hall of Fame awards are given every other year).
- **MBC Bulletin Editor** - KC Artley. Published in September.
- **MBC Website** - KC Artley. Up to date.
- **NBRF Delegate** – Liz Duncan-Burge.
- **2022 Nominating Committee** - Anne Midgarden.
- **2021 Fall Specialty.**
 - Rebecca is picking up the Judges' gifts
 - Tina volunteered to make a flyer to advertise the specialty
- **Ribbons** – Jamie Bobrowski. Proposal sent via email to purchase ribbons for the Specialties.
- **Statistics, Conformation** - Lynne Bennett. Published in the February Bulletin and on the MBC website.
- **Statistics, Lure Coursing ASFA** - Amy Sikula. Published in the February Bulletin and on the MBC website.
- **Statistics, Lure Coursing AKC** - KC Artley. Published in the February Bulletin and on the MBC website.
- **Statistics, Obedience & Rally** - KC Artley. Published in the February Bulletin and on the MBC website.
- **Sunshine** - Michelene Nash.
- **Trophy Supported Entries, 2021** – Pam Leichtnam.

Motion to Approve the Committees' reports – Frank Zajac

Second – Tina Wismer

Motion passed.

7. Membership – Amy Sikula.

New Applications:

- Angela & Susan Campbell
- Emily Johnson
- Kristina Knowski
- Julie Madison

Motion to Approve – Frank Zajac
Second – Pam Leichtnam
Motion passed.

8. Old Business.

8A. Report on the AKC and ASFA Lure Coursing trials – Amy Sikula and Jamie Bobrowski.

- 10/16 Borzoi Specialty AKC lure coursing trial: Entry 25
- 10/16 All Breed AKC lure coursing trial: Entry 36
- 10/17 All Breed AKC lure coursing trial: Entry 38
- 10/23 All Breed ASFA lure coursing trial
- 10/24 All Breed ASFA lure coursing trial

Both weekends went smoothly and had enough entries to make a profit for the club.

8B. Discuss options for fall 2023 specialty since the Franksville WI site may not be acceptable. Report from Pam regarding the new site.

- Pam's club got a new site, but she still doesn't know how long their contract extends. She will get the information this week and email it to the board.

9. New Business.

9A. Discuss potential locations for 2024.

- Group discussion regarding the process clubs are now using to hire judges, and the difficulties in getting our partner clubs to hire the judges selected by the membership.
- Group discussion regarding the pros/cons of designated specialties, concurrent specialties and independent specialties. Additional discussion regarding how the type of specialty impacts our ability to hire the judges we want to hire.
- Create committee to look at locations for 2024: Rebecca Heighton-Drollinger, Tami Marshall and Pam Leichtnam. – Tami Marshall

Second – Frank Zajac
Motion passed.

9B. Supported entries at shows and lure coursing trials.

Discussion tabled for next meeting.

9C. 2022 Fall Picnic location.

We've held picnics in Ohio and Indiana so far. Does anyone have an idea for a location in IL, MI or WI?

Jamie will organize the picnic for 2022 in Michigan.

9D. MBC Rescue Fund

MBC received a donation from Cookie McNamara for to help people/borzoi in the region. Frank has made a line item in his expense report showing the \$500 set aside for this purpose. The board needs to discuss the criteria around how this money could be used.

[Discussion tabled for next meeting.](#)

9E. Motion to order rosettes for the November specialty Best of Breed, Best Opposite Sex, Best of Winners, Winners Dog, Winners Bitch, Reserve Winners Dog, Reserve Winners Bitch, 4 Awards of Merit, Select Dog, Select Bitch, Puppy Best in Sweeps, Puppy Best Opposite in Sweeps, Veteran Best in Sweeps, Veteran Best Opposite in Sweeps – Pam Leichtnam.

[Second – Tina Wismer](#)
[Motion passed.](#)

*Meeting adjourned at 10:27PM

[Motion – Pam Leichtnam](#)
[Second – Amy Sikula](#)
[Motion passed.](#)