

Corn Belt Kennel  
Club

An All-Breed Club  
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#### **IMPORTANT NOTICE** Change in Meeting Place For Next meeting: Oct. 12, 2010

Denny's in Normal  
1615 N Main St, Normal, IL  
(309) 452-7446

Eat: 7:00 PM  
Meeting: 8:00 PM

\*All meetings **except Feb.**  
are held the second  
Tuesday in the months of  
April, June, August,  
October and December

Deadline for *Sentinel* articles:  
The last week of the month  
prior to the Club meeting.

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From our AKC legislative liaison, **Kay Richardson:**

#### **AKC** **September 13, 2010** **AKC Opposes Missouri Proposition B**

AKC shares concerns about substandard kennels and works to protect the rights of all dog owners and promoting responsible dog ownership. Laws must be reasonable and enforceable, without restricting the rights of owners or breeders who take on the responsibility.

This proposal seeks to limit the number of dogs an individual may own. AKC believes that responsible breeders are not defined by the number of dogs kept, or whether they make a profit in selling dogs. A responsible breeder should be characterized by the quality of care and conditions that they provide their dogs. Negligence and cruelty can occur regardless of the number of dogs a person has.

#### **AKC** **September 23, 2010** **CA SB 250 Fails Passage**

California Senate Bill 250, which seeks to mandate the sterilization of a dog on a second animal control offense, has been defeated. AKC feels that this bill is very unreasonable. The two animal control violations may occur years apart and therefore not accurately reflect the true nature of the dog or the responsibility of the owner. Be aware that this bill could have denied the owner of a dog with two violations, of ever owning an intact animal again.

#### **AKC** **August 27, 2010** **AKC Informational Update: Position Statement on Debarking**

At the August Board meeting, the AKC Board of Directors approved an official canine legislation policy position on debarking. It is as follows.....

*Debarking is a viable veterinary procedure that may allow a dog owner to keep a dog that barks excessively in its loving home rather than to be forced to surrender it to a shelter. Debarking should only be performed by a qualified, licensed veterinarian after other behavioral modification efforts to correct excessive barking have failed. As with other veterinary medical decisions, the decision to debark a dog is best left to individual owners and their veterinarians.*

## **General Meeting – August 10, 2010**

Meeting called to order with 14 members and 3 guests (Kerrie Hoover, Allison Trainer, Terri Trainer)

Roll call was taken.

Minutes of June 8, 2010 read. Martin Belcke moved to approve as read. Kay Richardson seconded, motion approved.

**Treasurer's Report** – Balances were reported. Show improved over last year by \$7,220.96 however, still lost \$1,371.84. Linda Vance moved to approve as read. Martin Belcke seconded, motion approved.

**Secretary's Report** – Correspondence passed.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Legislation – Updates published in newsletter. Advise Kay Richardson if you have questions.

Cluster/Site Committee–General discussion surrounding potential sites for Show in 2011 and beyond. Dan Arterberry & Penny Duffee met with Bones Bach of Interstate Center. Preliminary thoughts are that IC will reduce by nearly ½ the rents for 2011. Also viewed facilities (Avantis Dome) in Pekin. Issues of cleaning astro turf and electricity would need to be addressed. Plus a potential conflict with Ball Diamonds and ball tournaments during the weekend.

Interstate Center – B/N CVB will provide \$1,000 for advertising in 2010 and again in 2011. Avantis Dome – Pekin Tourism has grants from \$1,000 - \$5,000 available.

The Site Committee recommends remaining at Interstate pending favorable contract finalization.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

None

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Linda Vance moved that Corn Belt Kennel Club go with the Show Site Committee's recommendation to remain at Interstate Center, pending favorable contract, for 2011 and continue searching for a suitable replacement for 2012 if necessary. Kathy Karl seconded, motion approved. David Lander and Dan Arterberry will proceed with Interstate contract negotiations.

Carrie Cowles moved that the next General Meeting take place at the Denny's on Veteran's at Oakland at 7:00. Kay Richardson seconded, motion approved.

Carrie Cowles noted that the Corn Crib stadium (host to Cornbelters Baseball) has some games designated to bring your dog to a game.

Carrie Cowles would like the Show Committees to look into having a vet on-site for the duration of the Shows. Show Committee will explore this.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Burge, Secretary

**[This editor removes from print private monetary information. Exact balances of accounts may be obtained at Club meetings.]**

## Board Report – September 2010

The Board has appointed the following to the 2011 Nominating committee:

- Bill Fryers – Chair
- Martin Belcke
- Kathy Karl

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A Reminder to all that the next meeting will be held at Denny's

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( This editor apologizes for the brevity of this edition of the *Sentinel* )



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