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A NOTE FROM THE BOARD:

We hope that this issue of the Belgian Beat finds you enjoying the soon to be fall weather and hopefully cooler temps for some. 2025 ABMC National Specialty Co-Chairs Paige Johnson & Tiffany Holley, along with their incredible committee, have been working tirelessly to ensure that the 2025 National Specialty is phenomenal. The trophies have been chosen and deposits have been paid. The finishing touches are being made on the Host Hotel and the RV Parking. Sara Andersen, 2025 Vendor Chair, is currently seeking vendors, if you know of someone that may be interested, please have them reach out to Sara at sarajane3@twc.com

The 2026 ABMC National Specialty planning is in the beginning stages. The Board has received some correspondence regarding a possible locations with dates to be determined shortly. More information will be published as soon as it becomes available.

We have had some members reach out about possibly attending the ABMC Board Meetings. The Board discussed this and we will be publishing the zoom.com information in each edition of the Belgian Beat (on the left side of page 2). We would like to invite any member who wishes to attend any Board meeting to please do so. Please note that ONLY ABMC Board Members will be able to speak at these meetings, all other attendees will be muted by the host and will remain muted for the entire meeting. Also, at times the Board may have to enter an Executive Session due to the sensitive nature of certain topics. When the Board must enter an Executive Session, this will be done at the end of the meeting and all attendees other than the ABMC Board, will be asked to leave for the remainder of the meeting.

Recently, the Board of Directors attempted to form a "Sunshine Committee" which would have been tasked with sending an uplifting note to ABMC members that had fallen on hard times. Sadly, we were unable to secure any volunteers to serve on the Sunshine Committee, so the Board decided to table this undertaking indefinitely.

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MEMBERSHIP INFO:

Individual Membership -- \$40

Family Membership – \$65

Junior Membership (10y-17y) – \$10

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OCTOBER 2024 ABMC

Date: October 15, 2024 Time: 6:30 MST

BOARD MEETING INFO

Join Zoom Meeting:
https://uso6web.zoom.us/j/82901013651?
pwd=dTvibi4lEVOvn8Pcbflia5ep6RV2bz.1

Find your local dial in number: https://uso6web.zoom.us/u/ kdEtWIPswJ

Meeting ID: 829 0101 3651 Passcode: 191069

NEW MEMBER APPLICANTS

NONE

*** UPCOMING EVENTS****

ABMC Regional Specialty & Supported Entry

September 27, 2024 Pacific Belgian Malinois Club Carson City, NV Closing Date: September 11, 2024

ABMC Regional Specialty

November 1-3, 2024 Doswell, VA Closing Date: October 16, 2024

ABMC Regional Specialty

December 13, 2024 Orlando, FL Closing Date: November 13, 2024

ABMC Agility Trials - 2025 National Specialty Fundraiser

February 7-9, 2025 Pinnacle Dog Sports Westlake, OH Closing Date: January 29, 2025

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February 28- March 2, 2025 Pinnacle Dog Sports Westlake, OH Closing Date: February 9, 2025

2025 ABMC National Specialty

May 3-10, 2025 Purina Farms Grey Summit, MO

*****Welcome New ABMC Members****

Smadar Lave Sandra & Gary Padgett

****BOARD MEETING MINUTES*****

Minutes ABMC BOD Meeting August 13, 2024

- 1. Meeting was called to order by President Paige Johnson at 7:33 pm CST
 - 1.1 Paige Johnson
 - 1.2 Janet Lasater
 - 1.3 Sara Andersen
 - 1.4 Jeanine Daugherty
 - 1.5 Susie Williamson
 - 1.6 Suzanne Belger
 - 1.7 Miranda Genetti
 - 1.8 Tiffany Holley absent
- 2. Approved minutes of July 15, 2024 BOD Meeting. Suzanne moved to accept the Minutes as corrected* (*corrections to new member list: Annette Lynch and Allison Kennedy); Jeanine seconded; approved.
- 3. Treasurer's report: Discussed. Detailed account located elsewhere in The Performer.
- 4. Committee Reports
 - 4.1 2025 National Specialty: The logo is complete and posted; the host hotel is under contract; contract is complete with Show Dog Video Pros and the deposit has been paid; will be doing a grooming table Raffle.
 - 4.2 2026: proposal pending.
 - 4.3 Others none
- 5. Old Business
 - 5.1 Continuation of National Specialty Manual revision: Committee has been formed; Jeanine will send a note to the Committee for report.
 - 5.2 Follow-up: Showsight promotion of the breed tabled
 - 5.3 Sunshine Committee: Paige will have Tiffany contact the Area Reporters.
- 6. New Business
 - 6.1 Event applications: due to some discrepancies in deadlines, there was discussion regarding putting together a calendar with deadline reminders so that applicants are able to apply in an efficient, timely manner so that the BOD can approve according to AKC deadlines.
 - 6.3 Application for Lifetime Membership: Jeanine moved to approved the Lifetime Membership application of Theona Desrosiers, who has been a member for over 30 years. Suzanne seconded. Approved.

- 7. New Members: Brian Frentz, Joy Daniels and Jo Greiger. Suzanne moved to accept the above-listed applicants as new members. Jeanine seconded. Approved.
- 8. Announcement: Miranda has a 50% off offer from Cabelas through Sunday for items that may be used as possible trophies for the National Specialty.
- 9. Next meeting: September 17, 2024.
- 10. Adjournment: Sara moved to adjourn at 8:04 pm CST; Janet seconded. Approved unanimously.

Respectfully submitted, Janet Lasater Recording Secretary