

Minutes from South Loop Dog Park Action Cooperative meeting 12/28/04

Attendees: Beth Schipke, Mike Schipke, Mary Gawenda, Wendy Cobrin, Stephanie Daugherty, Wayne Fron, Teri Fron, Kristine Lyons and Gail Merritt

Emancipation

Communication Plan - We drafted a letter announcing our status as an independent nonprofit organization. This will be given to SLN board and used for newspaper advertisements in the Gazette & Journal. The next edition of Fetch will also announce our exciting news!

This will sever all ties with SLN. The decision was made not to include them in any of our activities (such as membership drive).

New address: 47 W. Polk, 100-522. We are also looking into getting a voicemail box.

In all communication we need to refer (at least once) to our full name, South Loop Dog Park Action Cooperative. We can then abbreviate with Dog P.A.C.

Bylaws

We reviewed and discussed the questions and proposed changes regarding the bylaws. Congratulations are in order for our new Vice President – Beth Schipke!!

Fundraising

Before planning any events we should check Crain's 05 Blue Dates book which lists events in 2005. We should also check for any scheduled sporting events.

Bricks – Gail has not heard back from the CPD's lawyers regarding the verbiage on the bricks we have sold. We need to create a letter documenting the new CPD law to be sent to anyone who may need to re-word their brick.

Membership – We want to be able to start our renewal membership drive soon.

To do's:

- ✓ Beth will redesign our logo (remove HPRN reference)
- ✓ Draft letter summarizing our successes of 2004 and plans for 2005 & membership renewal form
- ✓ Include brick form - state it must be returned by 3/1/05 to be included in the park – the form will also have acceptable examples for language on bricks
- ✓ Include information about D.O.G.S. (Doggie on-line garage sale)
- ✓ Maybe include magnet which contains all our vital info

