

Minutes
South Loop Dog Park Action Cooperative

Date/Time: Thursday, April 20, 2006 @6:30 pm

Location: 41 E. 8th Street #2107

Attendees: Gail Merritt (GM), Kristine Lyons (KL), Wendy Ito (WI), Wendy Cobrin (WC), Mike Schipke (MS), Beth Schipke (BS), Barbara Perez (BP), Stephanie Daugherty (SD), Mary Gwanda (MG)

Key: initials in italics indicate who acted or motioned/seconded

1) **Call to order:** *GM 6:44 pm*

2) **Approval of minutes from March 16, 2006:** *GM/WC*

3) **Approval of agenda:** *All*

4) **Treasurer's Report:** BP provided the board copies of the current balance sheet and income statement.

5) **President's Report:** *GM*

Grand Opening – GM met with Dr. B and Beverly on 4/19/06 to discuss ideas for the celebration. The CPD does not want to schedule the grand opening until July. This will provide them with extra time (if needed) for construction. GM has requested the celebration be held on a Sunday so that everyone can attend. Out target date is Sunday, July 9th. The board decided that if the park is complete it should be used prior to the official grand opening. We will use the swimming pools we have so that the doggies can plan/wade in the water.

We decided to have goodie bags for the grand opening. They will contain:

- Dog Smarts brochure
- Tennis ball throw toys Beth & Mike will donate)
- How to use the park brochure (MS will research)
- How to get park license
- Treats
- Membership forms

We will also solicit contributions to pay for the grand opening. Here is a menu of what we need:

- Bags (possibly with logo) (sponsors on back?)Balloons (500) and balloon arch – may need to be delivered(
- People treats – cake
- Doggie cake (MG will donate)
- T-shirts – create GBP identity WC will ask Jen to design new logo
- Doggie scarves (with new logo)

