

South Loop Dog P.A.C. Board Meeting
August 18, 2005
1718 S. State Street

Present: Gail Merritt (GM), Beth Schipke (BS), Kristine Lyons (KL), Stephanie Daugherty (SD), Wendy Ito (WI), Mike Schipke (MS), Mary Gwanda (MG)

Dog PAC members present: Enrique Perez

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

1. **Call to order:** *GM 6:45 pm*
2. **Approval of Agenda:** *GM/MG*
3. **Approval of July 21, 2005 board meeting minutes:**
4. **Treasurer's Report:** Total Assets \$91,498.10 Funds Reserved for Operating Expenses \$5,108
5. **President's Report - *GM***
 - A. **Grant Bark Park update** – Still no date for groundbreaking. GM is working with Bob Foster at the CPD. We discussed landscaping the park and want to find out how much we can landscape the park.
 - B. **Advisory Counsel** – GM met with Dr. B and Beverly (Dogone Fun) on 8/17/05 as the first Advisory Council meeting. The Counsel will initially meet 1x a month then a meeting schedule will be determined. It was suggested that a non dog owner also be added to the Counsel. The Advisory Counsel will act as a resource for the Dog PAC. Some of their discussion included: meeting with dog walkers, how to deal with aggressive dogs in the park, we should update brochure on dog smarts (this would also be used with condo boards). We are going to gather all condo board rules to see what each building allows. A suggestion was also made to get more doggie bag dispensers. Perhaps this could be sponsored by a business. We need to communicate to the public that the bags are only for use if you forget to bring a bag – maybe we could print a sticker. This meeting will be held the 4th Wednesday of each month at Dogone Fun at 7:30 pm.
 - C. **Grand Opening:** What activities/contests/games do we want to have? Do we want goodie bags – maybe a dog cake and a people cake? MG checking on doggie cake.
7. **Executive Session: K-9 9-K Update** – Still working on obtaining refreshments (WI). KL is working on volunteers. We confirmed that a sponsorship of \$150 gets your business name on the t-shirt. In order to have your business logo on the t-shirt you need to be a \$250 sponsor. SD has secured 10 parking spaces. We are collecting prizes for the most donations. We also plan to design a mailer for the vendor and sponsors giving them the event details. Currently we only have three vendor tables. If we are able to obtain an agility course it was suggested to have the participant sign a waiver.
8. **Next board meeting time & place:** 9/15/05 at 6:30 pm - location TBD
9. **Meeting adjourned:** *GM 9:05 pm*