



**Omaha Dog Park Advocates  
November 9, 2016  
Swanson Library, 6 p.m.**

**Present** – Lynne Newlin, Mickey Merriam, Bob Denney, Jim Kee, Mary Gibilisco, Ed Sirkorski, Theresa Pogge, Jody Blakely.

**Hanscom** – - Jim moved some of the dog bag dispensers at Hanscom seeing how some were in the locked area and others were not being used. Jim hasn't touched base with the parks department on the trail extension that is being planned as part of the Hanscom park renewal.

**Hefflinger** – The dirt has been leveled! Someone jammed the push button on the new fountain on the small dog side and it ran all weekend. Ed called the parks and the water was shut off. Ed is not sure if the fountain was fixed or the water was just turned off. This is the second time in less than a year the new fountain on the small dog side has been vandalized.

**Paint your Pet** – 19 people signed up so 1 short of the 20 maximum. We brought in \$143.

**New Business** –ODPA was contacted by someone wanting advice on setting up a dog park in Missouri Valley.

**Old Business** - Lynne checked into the wine fundraiser a Boston Terrier rescue used, and like the Treat me Right, they want a lot of charitable information for which we aren't large enough to have such as demographics of who uses the park and how we rate in the philanthropy world. Not sure how wine would go over with our demographics. Beer would be a better fundraiser. Lynne did reach out to Long Dog Fat Cat and they are eager to provide "ice cream" (yogurt) for a possible Ice Cream Social. It is produced at their 90<sup>th</sup> & Center location and they need would need two week's notice – more like a month so we could decide on which flavor(s).

Jim reached out to the boyfriend of his cousin re: creating You Tube video about dog park etiquette. If we accomplish this we can put a QR Code at the parks letting the public know the videos exist.

Jim hasn't heard back from the solar people for meeting.

**Elections:** We received nominations for Members at Large, but no nominations for VP, Treasurer or PIO. Mary, Mickey and Ed will be Members at large.

Should someone come forward that would like to be VP, Treasurer or PIO in the year we can have an election provided they attend the requisite number of meetings to qualify to be a board member.

We did agree that for now, Jody will remain as a signatory on the checking account as we need two of them.