

1 NCA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES
2 TELECONFERENCE MEETING MINUTES, September 27 & October 6, 2005
3 (Approved November 4, 2005)
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33 Roger Frey, President, called the meeting to order at 8:35 p.m. Eastern time.
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35 The following directors were present: Jan S. Boggio (JSB), Jacqueline K. Brellochs (JKB),
36 Mary Lou Cuddy (MLC), Aura Dean (AD), Jack Dean (JD), Roger Frey (RF), Kevin Gallagher,
37 (KG), Sandee Lovett (SL), Kathy McIver (KM), Mary L. Price (MLP), Mary Lou Roberts (MLR),
38 and Debra Wigal (DW). Tom Broderick (TB) *ex-officio* was present. Mary W. Price (MWP),
39 AKC delegate, *ex-officio* was absent.
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41 **Approval of Minutes**
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43 The minutes of the July 25, August 17 and August 29, 2005 teleconference meeting and the
44 April 28, 2005 Annual Membership Meeting will be ready for review and approval at the next
45 teleconference.
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17 **Report of the President**

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19 Roger Frey, President, requested that the *Newf Tide* item listed in the agenda be deferred to
20 committee reports.

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22 The President read a letter from Clyde Dunphy, acting Chair of the NCA Charitable Trust
23 Management Board (TMB), asking that the TMB be placed on the agenda for the November
24 4-6, 2005 fall face-to-face meeting. Clyde Dunphy and David Helming will attend and present
25 information on the structure, organization and operating principles and procedures for the
26 TMB. A packet of information will be forwarded to each Board member under separate cover
27 two weeks prior to the meeting. Clyde also reported that the TMB unanimously supported a
28 significant donation from NCA, Inc. to support relief efforts for the animals in need following
29 Hurricane Katrina.

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31 The President reported that the Northland Newfoundland Club raised over \$800.00 at their
32 fun match, then matched that amount and sent over \$1,600.00 to benefit the animals affected
33 by Hurricane Katrina. He encouraged other regional clubs to let the Board know of their
34 donations or activities on behalf of these animals.

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36 The President asked Mary L. Price and Jan Boggio for an update on the hotel and meeting
37 room for the November 4-6, 2005 fall face-to-face meeting in Chicago, Illinois. Mary L. Price
38 reported that the meeting will be held at the Comfort Suites O'Hare Airport in Schiller Park,
39 Illinois. The hotel offers 24-hour shuttle service from O'Hare Airport and has Internet access.
40 Room rates are \$89.00 plus tax per night, the meeting room is \$558.00 for the weekend and
41 there is an on-site restaurant and other restaurants in close proximity.

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43 There was discussion about when Board members would be arriving and the best time to
44 start the meeting. It was the consensus of the Board to start the meeting on Friday,
45 November 4, 2005 at 7:30 p.m. and meet until about 10:30 p.m. The next day, the meeting
46 will reconvene at 8:00 a.m., there will be a working lunch and the meeting will recess at 4:30
47 p.m. for dinner. The meeting will resume at 7:30 p.m. and continue until 11:00 p.m. On
48 Sunday, the Board will reconvene at 8:00 a.m. and will work until a quorum is lost. It was
49 requested that Board members try to schedule their flights home so that the Board could
50 continue to work until mid-afternoon.

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52 It was decided to invite the members of the TMB to the working lunch and then have the TMB
53 meeting in the afternoon. Regional club members living in the area were invited to join the
54 Board for dinner on Saturday night and to attend any or all parts of the meetings. Mary L.
55 Price will take care of making the arrangements.

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57 The President asked for an update on Hurricane Katrina and a possible donation to help to
58 the animals affected. In the absence of Mary W. Price, AKC Delegate, Mary Lou Cuddy
59 delivered a report from her that stated that AKC/CAR had pledges totaling over \$250,000.00
60 and that \$100,000.00 had already been distributed in cash and supplies for veterinarians and
61 shelter support staff. AKC/CAR is soliciting more funds to continue the work. It was reported
62 that the "Take the Lead" foundation had ongoing fundraising efforts to help fanciers who were

33 affected. The Irish Setter parent club has donated \$10,000.00 and the Samoyed parent club
34 donated 50% of the profits from their National Specialty which was about \$20,000.00 to the
35 AKC/CAR fund. It was reported that AKC/CAR has sent two teams; one to Louisiana and one
36 to Mississippi to aid in the distribution of funds and supplies. Dog food is being provided by
37 the dog food companies.

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39 The Board discussed making a donation to AKC/CAR or other organizations. Some Board
40 members wanted to know what AKC/CAR would do with excess funds.

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42 By consensus, the Board agreed to ask Mary W. Price, AKC, Delegate, to gather more
43 information on the AKC/CAR Hurricane Katrina Fund regarding specific actions being taken
44 by AKC/CAR and if donations are still needed and the amount of donations needed. She was
45 requested to report back at the next teleconference.

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47 **Report of the 1st Vice-President**

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49 Sandee Lovett, 1st Vice-President, reported that she had just returned from the High Country
50 Water Test and while in Colorado she met with the High Country National Specialty
51 Committee and was able to tour the site of the 2007 National Specialty. She reported that, in
52 her opinion, it would be hard to find a more perfect show site. The High Country National
53 Specialty Committee is hard at work to make the 2007 National Specialty a success.

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55 The 1st Vice-President also reported that the NCA Charitable Trust Management Board will
56 have a report for the Board's November 4-6, 2005 face-to-face meeting as reported earlier in
57 the President's report.

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59 **Report of the 2nd Vice-President**

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61 Mary Lou Roberts, 2nd Vice-President, apologized for the last-minute committee reports
62 despite her pleas to the committees to submit their reports early. The late reports will be
63 included in her report at the next meeting.

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65 She requested that the Board address the report from the NCA Legislative Liaison and
66 approve the report for posting on the NCA website.

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68 Kathy McIver moved and Sandee Lovett seconded to post, as written, the document drafted
69 by the NCA Legislative Liaison Committee outlining the NCA's concerns with the Pet Animal
70 Welfare Statute of 2005 (PAWS) sponsored by Pennsylvania Senator Rick Santorum on the
71 NCA website. The motion passed unanimously.

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73 **Report of the 2nd Vice-President: Internet Committee**

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75 The 2nd Vice-President reported that the Internet Committee still needed a good quality NCA
76 logo file. Aura Dean and Roger Frey were to look into finding the logo graphics. Aura Dean
77 reported that the file used in the cover of the **Annual of Titlists** was of good quality. It was
78 asked if that file could be forwarded to the Internet Committee. Kathy Paxton may have a file

39 that is being used for the National Specialty packet that might be suitable. It was decided to
40 send the logo file used on the **Annual of Titlists** to the Internet Committee.

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42 There was a discussion concerning **Newf Tide** being placed on CD-ROMs and whether or
43 not these should be posted on the NCA website.

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45 Summary of discussion: This was to be an ongoing project. There are only a few issues that
46 have been put on CD-ROMs. A Board member said that he had some issues of **Newf Tide**
47 on CD-ROMs and those were on the website at one time. He agreed to copy the CD-ROMs
48 he has and send them to the Internet chair. Only the older issues should be posted on the
49 website so as to encourage NCA subscriptions and membership. Another Board member
50 stated that periodicals, such as *Time* and *Newsweek*, post current issues and charge to
51 access the archives. The Internet Committee has a vision of what the new NCA website will
52 include. The committee should give the Board more information as to what it wants.

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54 The Internet Committee has requested a copy of the CD-ROM from the AKC Parent Club
55 Conference to post on the NCA website. Roger Frey will send a copy to the Internet
56 Committee.

57 58 **Report of the 2nd Vice-President: Newf Novelties**

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60 The 2nd Vice-President reminded the Board that the Newf Novelties job description had not
61 yet been approved. Some Board members did not have the job description available. It was
62 agreed to postpone discussion until the next meeting and the 2nd Vice-President will re-send
63 the job description. One Board member asked if the sales tax issues had been addressed.
64 Newf Novelties and the Finance Committee were to consult with Mark Aliff to gather
65 information on how to manage the sales taxes. The 2nd Vice-President was directed to ask
66 the Finance Committee to contact Mark Aliff and to get the sales tax questions answered.

67 68 **Report of the 2nd Vice-President: Working Dog Committee**

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70 The 2nd Vice-President reported that the Working Dog Committee had reviewed the Board's
71 recommendations and the committee said that they stand by the committee's original
72 recommendation for the changes in working test judges' qualifications.

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74 Mary Lou Roberts moved and Kevin Gallagher seconded to accept the Working Dog
75 Committee's report, as written.

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77 Summary of discussion: The Board reviewed the paragraph dealing with mentor judges and
78 the exhibiting requirement. A Board member stated that the judges currently on the list will be
79 grand-fathered and will not lose their judging status. It was discussed what to do about a
80 judge that has not judged in ten years and is not up-to-date on the exercises. The regional
81 clubs should consider a judge's recent judging assignments and experience when choosing
82 judges for their working tests. It was asked if the judges' guidelines should be revisited when
83 exercises are changed significantly, such as when the WRDX was approved. A partner judge

34 can petition the Working Dog Committee to move up to mentor judge status if they cannot, for
35 good reason, complete the requirements as listed.

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37 The motion passed. 11 Yes (JSB, JKB, MLC, AD, RF, KG, SL, KM, MLP, MLR, DW); 1 No
38 (JD)

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30 **Report of the 2nd Vice-President: Database Committee**

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32 The 2nd Vice-President reported, along with Aura Dean, that Flip Young, who was the first
33 Database Committee chair, may be willing to help with the Database Committee. It was also
34 reported that Dawn Fretts, current Database Committee Chair, has been contacted but no
35 response has been received to date on her progress in getting an estimate from her
36 programmer to convert Flip Young's data to the current database.

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38 **Report of the Recording Secretary**

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40 Mary Lou Cuddy, Recording Secretary, reported that the September 27, 2005 agenda was
41 prepared and distributed and the minutes of July 25, August, 17 and August 29, 2005
42 teleconference meeting and the April 28, 2005 Annual Membership Meeting will be ready for
43 review and approval at the next teleconference.

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45 **Report of the Corresponding Secretary**

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47 Aura Dean, Corresponding Secretary, reported that she had earlier mailed the AKC Lifetime
48 Achievement Awards to the Board. The Board will consider the candidates in executive
49 session.

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51 She reported the letter, written by her and Mary W. Price as directed by the Board, to Senator
52 Rick Santorum and others regarding the NCA concerns with the PAWS bill will be forwarded
53 to the Board.

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55 She reported that she had written the letter to AKC/Eukanuba National Championship Show
56 informing them that the NCA will support the entry at the show with the medallions. She also
57 wrote a letter informing them that the NCA and the Newfoundland Club of Florida will host a
58 "Meet the Breeds" booth at that show.

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20 ***Newf Tide* Policy Committee**

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22 There was a discussion regarding a member's complaint about the editing process on the
23 member's article for ***Newf Tide*** on the Top Twenty competition. The member wanted a
24 clarification of the editing process.

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26 Summary of discussion: Aura Dean, ***Newf Tide*** Policy Committee (NTPC) Chair, spoke to the
27 member about the member's concerns. The editor of ***Newf Tide*** is to edit for grammar and
28 space. The member was notified that her article would be sharing space on the same page
29 with an article on the Top Twenty obedience. The original article did not contain a list of the

30 Top Twenty dogs and the article was shortened to accommodate the addition of the list of
31 names. The editor will, if time permits and if there are significant changes to the article,
32 contact the author of an article with the revised version but this was not done in this case.
33 There was some discussion about the discrepancies between the **Policy Manual** and the
34 **Newf Tide** guidelines and that these two documents should be consistent with each other.
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36 It was asked if it would not be common courtesy to send an edited article to the author. The
37 layout procedure was explained to the Board and that time is of the essence when doing the
38 final layout and to wait for an author's approval could cost the **Newf Tide** more as deadlines
39 would have to be extended.
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41 Mary Lou Roberts moved and Jacqueline Brellochs seconded that the Board agrees that the
42 **Newf Tide** editor has the authority and responsibility to reasonably edit articles for
43 correctness and space considerations. Where possible, and when time allows, it is
44 recommended that the **Newf Tide** editor send the article's author a copy of the revised article
45 as a courtesy.
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47 Aura Dean moved that the motion be referred to the **Newf Tide** Policy Committee. There was
48 no second.
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50 Summary of discussion: A Board member felt that this motion is within the parameters of the
51 NTPC. Other Board members felt it was a generous motion with not a lot of shackles. In
52 response to a question, it was stated that there had been very few complaints about the
53 editing out of the thousands of articles that have been printed in **Newf Tide**.
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55 Jack Dean moved and Aura Dean seconded to refer the above motion to the **Newf Tide**
56 Policy Committee.
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58 Summary of discussion: It was stated that standard procedure has been to refer items to
59 committee for committee input. The NTPC will have a teleconference on October 5, 2005 and
60 could report back to the Board at the next teleconference.
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62 Kevin Gallagher moved and Kathy McIver seconded to call the question on the motion to
63 refer to **Newf Tide** Policy Committee. The motion to call the question passed unanimously.
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65 The motion to refer to the **Newf Tide** Policy Committee passed. 8 Yes (JSB, MLC, AD, JD,
66 RF, KG, MLR, DW); 4 No (JKB, SL, KM, MLP)
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68 There was discussion about the questions concerning the 3rd Quarter 2005 **Newf Tide** cover
69 pages. The back cover photograph was in black and white and some members thought the
70 front cover was blurry and not in focus.
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72 Summary of discussion: There were three photographs submitted for the front cover, two of
73 which were deemed to be not usable. The third was received directly from the photographer
74 and was thought to be "dreamy" and "soft". Another Board member disputed this version

75 saying that the owner of the dog wanted to send some show photos but that they were
76 refused.

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78 The back cover being printed in black and white was the result of a mistake by the printer
79 using the wrong file. The same photo was done in black and white to be used in the table of
80 contents and it was inadvertently linked to the back cover. This happened after the color
81 proof was approved. Thus the mistake was not caught until the magazine had been printed.

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83 It was asked what measures the printer was taking to make amends for this mistake. The
84 photograph in question will be printed on the inside back cover, in color, at no charge in the
85 next issue. Some Board members felt that more should be done by the printer to rectify the
86 mistake, such as a free reprint. A Board member mentioned that a number of pages were
87 missing from the **Annual of Titlists** that he had received in his advance copy. The printer
88 checked the rest of the **Annual of Titlists** and so far, there have only been two defective
89 copies.

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91 Kathy McIver moved and Kevin Gallagher seconded to establish an Ad Hoc committee to
92 review all aspects of production and distribution of **Newf Tide**.

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94 Summary of discussion: Members of this committee would be people who are involved in the
95 publishing business and they could look at new ways of dealing with the publishing of **Newf**
96 **Tide**. In response to a Board member's concern, it was stated that the committee would not
97 be staffed this evening and a call for volunteers would be placed on the NCA website and in
98 **Newf Tide**.

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100 The motion passed. 7 Yes (JKB, MLC, RF, KG, KM, MLP, MLR); 5 No (JSB, AD, JD, SL,
101 DW)

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103 Jack Dean moved and Deb Wigal seconded to put a call for volunteers for the ad hoc
104 committee to review **Newf Tide** production and distribution in **Newf Tide**, on the NCA website
105 and the Internet lists.

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107 Summary of discussion: There was concern expressed that **Newf Tide** will come out too late
108 for this. A Board member said that more members would see it in **Newf Tide**. Another Board
109 member had reservations about using the Internet lists and would not support it.

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111 The motion passed. 8 Yes (JKB, MLC, AD, JD, KG, MLP, MLR, DW); 3 No (RF, SL, KM) 1
112 Absent (JSB)

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114 The Board directed Mary Lou Roberts to post the call for volunteers on the Internet lists and
115 the NCA website and to refer the members on the Internet lists to the NCA website for more
116 information.

117 118 **Report of the Treasurer**

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120 Mary L. Price, Treasurer, reported the following:

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NCA Operations

Checking Account	20,538.18	
Savings Account	78,306.08	
CDs	<u>197,950.62</u>	
	296,794.88	296,794.88

"Distinguished Member" Restoration	53.20	
CD	<u>1,179.31</u>	
	1,232.51	1,232.51

Uniform Trophy Fund		
Money Market Account		<u>11,408.20</u>

\$309,435.59

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23 A Board member questioned the entry in the check register of \$2,700.00 received from the
24 Newfoundland Club of Northern California as he felt that it did not belong under Specialty
25 Stipend.

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27 **Executive Session**

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29 At 11:24 p.m., Kathy McIver moved and Jacqueline Brelochs seconded to go into executive
30 session. The motion passed unanimously.

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32 At 11:39 p.m., Aura Dean moved and Kevin Gallagher seconded to come out of executive
33 session. The motion passed unanimously.

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35 While in executive session, the Board approved the September 9, 2005 applicant list.

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37 While in executive session, the Board considered candidates for the AKC Lifetime
38 Achievements Awards. The Board voted for Marian Mason Hodesson (Conformation) and
39 Rosalie Alvarez (Companion Events). The Board abstained in the voting for the Performance
40 Events.

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42 While in executive session, the Board accepted the resignation of Sue Jones and thanked
43 her for her service and appointed Jill Britton and Cathy Sands to the **Breeders List**
44 Committee.

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46 While in executive session, the Board accepted the resignation of Jackie Petrie and Barbara
47 Brown from the Rescue Prevention Committee and thanked them for their service. Donna
48 Zink will remain as Chair of the Rescue Prevention Committee. The 2nd Vice-President was
49 directed to post on the Internet, the NCA website and in **Newf Tide** that there are openings
50 on the Rescue Prevention Committee.

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52 At 11:45 p.m., Kathy McIver moved and Kevin Gallagher seconded to recess the
53 teleconference until Thursday, October 6th at 9:00 p.m. Eastern time. The motion passed
54 unanimously.

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56 **NCA Teleconference Meeting Reconvenes on October 6, 2005**

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58 Roger Frey, President, called the meeting to order at 9:08 p.m.

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60 The following directors were present: Jan S. Boggio (JSB), Jacqueline K. Brellochs (JKB),
61 Mary Lou Cuddy (MLC), Aura Dean (AD), Jack Dean (JD), Roger Frey (RF), Kevin Gallagher,
62 (KG), Sandee Lovett (SL), Kathy McIver (KM), Mary L. Price (MLP), Mary Lou Roberts (MLR),
63 and Debra Wigal (DW). Tom Broderick (TB) *ex-officio* was present. Mary W. Price (MWP),
64 AKC delegate, *ex-officio*, was absent.

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66 **Approval of Minutes**

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68 The Board considered the minutes of the July 25, August 17 and August 29, 2005 meeting.

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70 Kathy McIver moved and Sandee Lovett seconded to approve the July 25, August 17 and
71 August 29, 2005 minutes as written and to call the question and all previous questions.

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73 Summary of discussion: A Board member raised a point of order regarding calling the
74 question as there was no discussion and no previous motions. Roberts Rules of Order allow
75 for this type of motion at any time.

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77 The motion passed. 8 Yes (JKB, MLC, RF, KG, SL, KM, MLP, MLR); 3 No (JSB, AD, JD); 1
78 Abstention (DW)

79
80 Mary Lou Roberts moved and Sandee Lovett seconded to approve for publication, as written,
81 the April 28, 2005 Annual Membership Meeting minutes.

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83 Summary of discussion: A Board member felt that minutes of the executive session should be
84 included in these minutes. The President reported that he has consulted with the
85 parliamentarian who was at the Annual Membership Meeting who stated that no minutes of
86 the executive session should be recorded except to report the actions taken during the
87 executive session.

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89 The motion passed. 11 Yes (JSB, JKB, MLC, AD, RF, KG, SL, KM, MLP, MLR, DW); 1 No
90 (JD)

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92 **Membership Applicants**

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94 It was brought to the Board's attention by Marget Johnson, Membership Chair, that three
95 membership applicants had inadvertently been left off the applicant list that was sent to **Newf**
96 **Tide**. The delay in publishing these applicants will cause a problem for two of the applicants.

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08 One of applicants has been named as a Water Test Chair for the Old West Newfoundland
09 Club pending her acceptance into the NCA.
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11 Summary of discussion: The Old West Newfoundland Club is concerned about their test
12 being approved with a chair that has not yet been accepted into the NCA. The Board
13 discussed the timing of the test application and the publication of the applicant in **Newf Tide**.
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15 Mary Lou Roberts moved and Deb Wigal seconded that the Working Dog Committee will
16 accept Karen Bailey as the chair of the Old West Newfoundland Club's Water Test due to the
17 fact that her name was inadvertently not published as a Board approved applicant in the 3rd
18 Quarter 2005 issue of **Newf Tide**.
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20 Summary of discussion: A Board member questioned how the Board could direct a
21 committee when the Board does not have all facts and dates. The Working Dog Committee
22 should have input into this discussion.
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24 The motion passed. 6 Yes (JSB, RF, SL, KM, MLP, MLR); 1 No (JD); 4 Abstentions (JKB,
25 MLC, AD, KG); 1 Absent (DW)
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27 The 2nd Vice-President will contact the Working Dog Committee Chair.
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29 The other applicant that will encounter difficulties with the delay in publication is a junior
30 member.
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32 Summary of discussion: This junior has been doing well in junior handling and would be a
33 contender for the NCA Top Junior Handler award. There was a question as to whether there
34 is a policy that a junior needs to be a member to be eligible for the awards. A junior should
35 not be punished for someone's mistake.
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37 Mary Lou Roberts moved and Deb Wigal seconded that the Awards Committee send a
38 Juniors Award application to Amanda Cook due to the fact that her name was inadvertently
39 not published as a Board approved applicant in the 3rd Quarter 2005 issue of **Newf Tide**.
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41 The motion passed. 10 Yes (JSB, MLC, AD, RF, KG, SL, KM, MLP, MLR, DW); 2
42 Abstentions (JKB, JD)
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44 **Referral to Committee**

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46 Mary Lou Roberts moved and Deb Wigal seconded to send agenda item #27 (judges judging
47 multiple specialties) to the Specialty Show Committee. The motion passed unanimously.
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49 **Election Concerns**

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51 A Board member asked if the petition form and sample acceptance letter were on the NCA
52 website. It was stated that they were there.

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A Board member asked why the election notice that went out in **Newf Tide** did not instruct candidates for the Board to include the years of terms on the NCA Board in their information. The Recording Secretary replied that the notice had been inadvertently left off the notice. It was decided that Kevin Gallagher would contact the candidates to request that they include the requested information when they submit their election statements.

Certificate of Incorporation

A Board member asked if the Board had voted to ask NCA members to ratify the Board's decision to amend the Certificate of Incorporation to prohibit proxy voting. Several Board members said that they thought the Board had decided against it.

Unfinished Business

Mary Lou Roberts moved and Jacqueline Brellochs seconded to review the policies governing the procedures for handling grievances (see policy manual, Volume II, page 19, "Hearing Procedures: Disciplinary") with the intent of making explicit the policies that apply to the jurisdictional phase of the proceedings.

Summary of discussion: Some Board members thought this motion was tabled until letters from the attorneys were received.

The motion passed. 6 Yes (JKB, RF, SL, KM, MLP, MLR,); 2 No (AD, JD); 4 Abstentions (JSB, MLC, KG, DW)

AKC/Eukanuba National Championship Show Catalog Ad

A Board member had looked at past catalogs from this show and informed the Board that almost all the ads congratulated the invitees to the show and often gave membership, officers and educational information.

Kathy Mclver moved and Kevin Gallagher seconded to remove agenda item #2 (AKC/ Eukanuba National Championship Show catalog ad) from the table. The motion passed unanimously.

Kathy Mclver moved and Kevin Gallagher seconded to place an ad in the 2006 AKC/Eukanuba National Championship Show catalog for \$125.00. The motion passed unanimously.

By consensus, the Board requested that the General Education Committee to work with Kathy Mclver to determine the make-up of the ad.

Minutes in Newf Tide

38 Jack Dean moved and Aura Dean seconded not to have the minutes in **Newf Tide** and
39 mailed to everyone but to have a multiple distribution methods. That approach may save
40 around \$8,000 per year and free up **Newf Tide** for more interesting articles.

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42 Summary of discussion: This motion will save money, paper and space in **Newf Tide**. People
43 will have a hard copy so there is a permanent record. There was discussion about making the
44 minutes easier to navigate on the NCA website. The **Newf Tide** printing contract is bid on a
45 set range of pages, the NCA cannot pull a lot of pages out of **Newf Tide**. A Board member
46 said those pages could be used for articles, but it was pointed out that it is difficult to find
47 good quality articles consistently. Some Board members reported that members have
48 indicated to them that they want the minutes to remain in **Newf Tide** for a variety of reasons.
49 The NTPC had discussed using lesser quality paper for the minutes and had voted it down
50 soundly. A Board member suggested a poll of the membership. A Board member had spoken
51 to eight of the NCA Honorary Members and they were reticent to change.

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53 The motion failed. 3 Yes (AD, JD, KG); 9 No (JSB, JKB, MLC, RF, SL, KM, MLP, MLR, DW)
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55 Jack Dean moved and Jan Boggio seconded to have set forth in the very beginning of the
56 minutes a listing of the topics contained so that members have a brief synopsis of what was
57 accomplished and have that summary linked on the website minutes so members can just
58 click on that topic and go right to the section they want to read.

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60 Summary of discussion: A Board member stated that it was simple to do with using Word
61 Table of Contents tools. It would make the minutes easier to navigate on the NCA website as
62 members could click on the heading and would go directly to that portion of the minutes.

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64 The motion passed. 10 Yes (JSB, JKB, AD, JD, RF, KG, KM, MLP, MLR, DW); 2 Abstentions
65 (MLC, SL)
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67 **Reports at the Annual Membership Meeting**

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69 Jack Dean moved and Jacqueline Brelloch seconded that to reduce the time spent at the
70 Annual Membership Meeting each officer, AKC Delegate and committee person would be
71 required to write out a summary of what they would normally say, have it reproduced and
72 distributed at the annual meeting and then limit each of the above persons to two minutes of
73 speaking time and then as much time as required for answering any questions from the
74 membership.

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76 Summary of discussion: The members can read the reports while they are waiting for the
77 meeting to begin. The meeting will move faster which will please most members.

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79 The motion passed. 11 Yes (JSB, JKB, MLC, AD, JD, RF, KG, SL, KM, MLP, DW); 1 Abstain
80 (MLR)
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82 **Election Packet Review**

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34 Jack Dean moved and Aura Dean seconded to have the election packet prepared and
35 distributed to all of the candidates and Board members before it is sent to the printer so that
36 any errors can be caught. An error is defined as something being in the original submission of
37 the candidate but not in the election packet.

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39 Summary of discussion: A Board member stated the many eyes will help to catch inadvertent
40 errors. There was a concern that candidates would want to change their statements to
41 counter another candidate's statement. It was stated that re-writing would not be allowed.
42 This motion concerns a dropped paragraph or sentence or anything that appears in the
43 original submission and not in the election packet. There was a friendly amendment to clarify
44 what can be changed and what cannot. A hard copy is to be submitted and that could be
45 used by the person putting the election packet together to check for omissions or errors.

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47 The motion failed. 2 Yes (AD, JD); 10 No (JSB, JKB, MLC, RF, KG, SL, KM, MLP, MLR, DW)

48 49 **Puppy Referral 800 Number**

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51 Mary Lou Roberts moved and Aura Dean seconded to refer agenda item #9 (puppy referral
52 800 number phone lines) to the Steering Committee.

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54 Summary of discussion: A Board member suggested that this motion be referred to the
55 Rescue Prevention Committee. Another Board member stated that the Rescue Prevention
56 Committee has had this for several years.

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58 Jack Dean moved and Kevin Gallagher seconded to amend the previous motion by adding
59 that a report will be due back to the Board by November 1, 2005.

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61 Summary of discussion: There was discussion about the date the report would be due. The
62 Board has a full agenda for the fall face-to-face meeting. The Board could give the Steering
63 Committee more time to reasonably consider this.

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65 The motion for the report to be due by November 1, 2005 failed. 6 Yes (JSB, JKB, AD, JD,
66 KG, DW); 6 No (MLC, RF, SL, KM, MLP, MLR)

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68 The motion to refer to committee passed unanimously.

69 70 **Mailing of the National Specialty Packets**

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72 Aura Dean, NTPC Chair, reported on a conversation with Kathy Paxton, National Specialty
73 Chair for the Colonial Newfoundland Club. The Colonial Newfoundland Club expressed
74 serious concerns to the Board with the **Newf Tide** delivery delays and getting the National
75 Specialty packet to the membership in a timely manner. The National Specialty is in late
76 March rather than April or May which pushes many of the deadlines forward. They have
77 requested that their National Specialty packet be printed and mailed (bulk rate) separately
78 from **Newf Tide** at a local printer so that delivery will be timely.

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30 Kathy Paxton gave the Board the following figures: for the printing of the packet, envelopes
31 with bulk mail permit and return address - \$1,359.00, inserting packets and sealing of
32 \$1,850.00, envelopes - \$117.00, sorting by zip code, bundling and taking to post office -
33 \$184.00 for a total of \$1,660.00, exclusive of the price of postage.
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35 Summary of discussion: The Board discussed the comparison of costs from when the North
36 Central Newfoundland Club mailed their own packets. **Newf Tide** should be mailed between
37 November 15th and November 20th, but the printer may slip a day or two. Aura Dean is
38 awaiting phone calls from postal representatives to discuss the delivery delays. There are
39 legitimate concerns about getting the packet into **Newf Tide** and delivered in a timely manner
40 which are exacerbated by the early date of the National Specialty.
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42 Aura Dean moved and Jacqueline Brellochs seconded to approve the Colonial Newfoundland
43 Club's request to send out the 2006 National Specialty packet independently of **Newf Tide**
44 and that the NCA will provide up to \$2,000.00 for the mailing due to current postal delays in
45 delivering **Newf Tide** and the early date for the National Specialty.
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47 Summary of discussion: A Board member asked if the Specialty Show Committee had been
48 consulted. Kathy Paxton and Robin Seaman, Specialty Committee Chair, may have talked
49 but it was agreed that Robin Seaman should be informed if she does not know. If there are
50 concerns about the motion, they will come back to the Board.
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52 At 11:05 p.m., Jan Boggio left the meeting.
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54 A Board member asked how much the Colonial Newfoundland Club had made on their 1999
55 National Specialty. It was reported that they had a net income of over \$32,000.00. This Board
56 member stated that he would not mind paying the same price as if the packet were going into
57 **Newf Tide** but felt that the Colonial Newfoundland Club should absorb anything over that. It
58 was reported that the best price that the club could find were the prices mentioned earlier.
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60 Another Board member was uncomfortable with the precedent this sets. A Board member
61 stated that the distribution process is not working successfully at the moment and the Board
62 should not restrict the Colonial Newfoundland Club's ability to run a successful National
63 Specialty.
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65 Jack Dean moved that the NCA pay \$1,600.00 and the Colonial Newfoundland Club bear the
66 extra costs if they want to change the delivery method. There was no second.
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68 The motion to approve the Colonial Newfoundland Club's request passed unanimously. 1
69 Absent (JSB)
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71 At 11:12 p.m., Deb Wigal left the meeting.
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73 There was a discussion regarding having one more teleconference before the fall face-to-
74 face meeting. The Board was unable to find a free date where all Board members could
75 participate.

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27 There was a brief discussion concerning the lack of a response from the Finance Committee
28 Chair, and the Newf Novelties Chair, concerning their discussions with Mark Aliff and the
29 sales tax issues. The President has talked to Mark Aliff and he is expecting their calls. A
30 Board member said that the Board should have a report directly from Mark Aliff.

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32 In response to a question, the face-to-face meeting will be recorded. A Board member stated
33 that the President, the Recording Secretary and the Internet Committee Chair need to
34 develop a plan to get the teleconference recordings on the NCA website.

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36 At 11:25 p.m., Kathy McIver moved and Kevin Gallagher seconded to adjourn the meeting.
37 The motion passed unanimously.

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39 The next meeting of the Board will be the November 4-6, 2005 face-to-face meeting in
40 Chicago, Illinois. Agenda items are due no later than October 15, 2005.

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42 Respectfully submitted,

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44 Mary Lou Cuddy

45 NCA Recording Secretary