



Newfoundland Club of America Board of Directors  
 Teleconference Board Meeting  
 September 21 and October 3, 2006

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44 NCA Board of Directors: Jan S. Boggio (JSB), Jacqueline K. Brellochs (JKB), Aura Dean  
45 (AD), Roger Frey (RF), Kevin Gallagher (KG), Sandee Lovett (SL), Kathy Mclver (KM), Mary  
46 L. Price (MLP), Meredith Reggie (MR), Mary Lou Roberts (MLR), Pam Rubio (PM), Cathy L  
47 Sands (CLS), Mary W, Price, AKC Delegate, *ex officio*.

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49 President Roger Frey called the meeting to order at 8:05 p.m. EDT.

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51 **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

52 The minutes of the August 17 and August 21, 2006 teleconferences were approved as  
53 amended.

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55 **PRESIDENT'S REPORT (Roger Frey)**

56 Roger Frey reported on a letter received from Roger and Consie Powell thanking the NCA for  
57 the honor of having received the Good Sportsmanship Award. The letter will be printed in  
58 *Newf Tide*. He also reported on the AKC-Petland contract.

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60 There was discussion about High Country Newfoundland Club using a bubble over the tennis  
61 courts for rings when it hosts the 2007 National Specialty Show. Jacqueline Brellochs moved  
62 and Pam Rubio that NCA approve the use of the bubble. The motion passed 9 yes  
63 (Jacqueline Brellochs, Roger Frey, Kevin Gallagher, Sandee Lovett, Mary L. Price, Kathy  
64 Mclver, Meredith Reggie, Pam Rubio, Mary Lou Roberts) 2 no (Jan Boggio, Aura Dean) and  
65 1 abstain (Cathy Sands).

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67 At 8:30 Clyde Dunphy, President of the Charitable Trust Management Board (CTMB), joined  
68 the meeting. Clyde reported on the CTMB's meeting and its plans to have a Policy &  
69 Procedures Manual. The CTMB was reminded that its recommendations for committee  
70 appointments must be submitted to the NCA Board for approval.

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72 A copy of a letter sent to Veterinary Schools was reviewed by the Board. The letter was  
73 written by the Research Advisory Committee (RAC) without direct input from Health &  
74 Longevity Committee. Both Committees are reminded that they need to communicate with  
75 each other.

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77 The CTMB is working on items for the NCA website and for *Newf Tide*. Clyde left the  
78 meeting at 9:20 p.m.

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87 **TREASURER'S REPORT (Mary L. Price)**  
88 Mary L. Price gave the Treasurer's report. It was accepted unanimously.  
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NCA Operations

Checking Account	18,900.47	
Savings Account	43,786.01	
CDs	253,972.00	
	316,658.48	316,658.48

Reserve for "Distinguished Member"  
expenses 4,687.22

Uniform Trophy Fund		
Money Market Account		15,151.70
		331,810.18

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91 Mary reported that 2<sup>nd</sup> notices have been sent to the membership and that as of May 1, 2006  
92 over 90% of the members have renewed. This renewal rate is ahead of what the average  
93 has been.

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95 The Colonial Newfoundland Club has asked for reimbursement for a portion of the cost for  
96 the tenting used at the 2006 National. Mary Lou Roberts moved and Kathy McIver seconded  
97 that the Board ask to see the financial report before making any decision. The motion was  
98 approved 11 yes (Jan Boggio, Jacqueline Brellocks, Aura Dean, Roger Frey, Sandee Lovett,  
99 Mary L. Price, Kathy McIver, Maredith Reggie, Pam Rubio, Mary Lou Roberts, and Cathy  
100 Sands) and 1 abstain (Kevin Gallagher). Colonial will be reminded that it can bill the NCA for  
101 items already approved for reimbursement.

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103 **AKC DELEGATE'S REPORT (Mary W. Price)**

104 Mary W. Price reported on the Parent Club Committee Meeting as well as the AKC Delegate  
105 Meeting.

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107 The AKC continues to encourage clubs to hold DNA clinics at their national specialty shows.  
108 It was reported that only 5 dogs took advantage of the program at the 2006 National. There  
109 will be a DNA clinic held at the 2007 National.

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111 The AKC expects to have all show records available online by early in 2007.

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113 There was discussion about the fact that the AKC does not appear to be monitoring Online  
114 Breeders Classified (OBC) ads. The Chair of the NCA Breeders Education Committee  
115 reported that her committee does monitor the list and that approximately 90% of the listings  
116 are neither NCA members nor are they members of a regional Newfoundland club. She  
117 reported that the AKC will correct a listing when notified by a Parent Club.  
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119 Mary reported many of the Delegates were unhappy about the AKC-Petland contract. The  
120 contract decision was made by AKC staff and approved by the Board of Directors but without  
121 any consultation with the Delegate body. While the Delegate body may recommend, it  
122 cannot overrule AKC staff action. There are approximately 23 for-profit registries available  
123 and the AKC states that its registrations are down 6% in the first 8 months of 2006.  
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125 Mary Lou Roberts moved and Pam Rubio seconded that NCA form a Task Force for the  
126 purpose of forming a coalition of AKC Parent clubs to achieve two objectives: 1) (short term)  
127 Rescind the contract between the AKC and Petland, and 2) Work with the AKC to find ways  
128 for the AKC to remain a viable organization without selling out the interests of pure-bred  
129 dogs. The motion passed unanimously. Task force members will be appointed in Executive  
130 Session.  
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## 132 **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

133 The Applicant List of September 21, 2006 was approved for publication.  
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135 Beverly Eichel will be asked to Chair the Task Force. All NCA members who are AKC  
136 Delegates will be asked to work on the AKC Task Force.  
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138 The Recording Secretary asked for directions regarding charges against an NCA member  
139 who has not as of this date renewed membership. It was determined that the Board will  
140 move forward with the hearing scheduled for the November face-to-face meeting. The  
141 disciplinary information packet will be sent out to the Board as soon as additional information  
142 is received from the complainant.  
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## 144 **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### 145 **1) General Education Committee**

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147 Four proposed ads were submitted for use by the General Education Committee. Kathy  
148 McIver moved and Pam Rubio seconded to approve 3 of the ads. The motion passed  
149 unanimously. The committee may choose any of the 3 approved ads to use for the  
150 Eukanuba Classic catalog. The ad not approved contains a photo already in use by the  
151 Breeder Education Committee.  
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**2) Health & Longevity Committee (H&L)**

A report was received from H&L Committee regarding a change to the wording in the blurb inserted in each issue of *Newf Tide*. The proposed change was accepted as presented and will be published in *Newf Tide*.

**3) Judges Education Committee (JEC)**

Kim Griffin of JEC has asked to be present at the face-to-face meeting of the Board in November to present the revised JEC presentation now available on CD. It was noted that the JEC Committee has not yet approved the CD. Kim Griffith and Betty McDonnell will be asked to be present at the Board teleconference on October 3 to discuss where the committee stands on this project.

**4) Constitution and By-Laws Committee (CBLC)**

There was discussion about the proposed revisions to the NCA Constitution and By-Laws. Members of the CBLC will be asked to attend the face-to-face meeting of the Board in November.

Jacqueline K. Brellochs moved and Mary Lou Roberts seconded that the Board ask for an official CBL Committee response to an email sent previously. The motion passed unanimously.

Mary Lou Roberts moved and Cathy Sands seconded to send to the CBLC a portion of the By-Laws of the German Shepherd Dog Club relating to the disposition of charges against and reapplication to membership for a member whose membership has lapsed or been rescinded and ask committee members to consider its addition to the NCA By-Laws. The motion passed unanimously.

Kathy McIver moved and Mary Lou Roberts seconded to list the winners of the Isabel Kurth Award on the NCA website and ask those winners to comment on how the NCA has changed over the years. The motion passed unanimously

Mareidith Reggie recused herself and temporarily left the meeting at 11:40 p.m.

**5) *Newf Tide* Policy Committee**

Aura Dean reported on the status of the Editor bids for *Newf Tide*. Three bids have been received. Jan Boggio stated that she is not bidding on the contract.

There was discussion about the lateness of receipt of the bid packet by the Board. There was additional discussion about the format of the packet. It was also noted that no contract with Sutherland Printing has been sent to the Finance Committee for review and approval.

Cathy Sands moved and Kathy McIver seconded that Nicki Gunderson of the ad hoc *Newf Tide* Committee will work with the *Newf Tide* Policy Committee to revise the bid packet. The

199 motion passed 9 yes (Jacqueline Brellochs, Roger Frey, Kevin Gallagher, Sandee Lovett,  
200 Mary L. Price, Kathy Mclver, Pam Rubio, Mary Lou Roberts, Cathy Sands) 2 abstain (Jan  
201 Boggio, Aura Dean, 1 recusal (Maredith Reggie) . The revised bid packet will be presented  
202 to the Board at the October teleconference.

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204 Pam Rubio moved and Kathy Mclver seconded to print in *Newf Tide* (October 1 deadline) a  
205 notice that the bid packet has been revised. The motion passed 6 yes (Jacqueline Brellochs,  
206 Roger Frey, Mary L. Price, Kathy Mclver, Pam Rubio, Mary Lou Roberts (3 no (Kevin  
207 Gallagher, Sandee Lovett, Cathy Sands) 2 abstain (Jan Boggio, Aura Dean) 1 recusal  
208 (Maredith Reggie).

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210 Kevin Gallagher moved and Kathy Mclver seconded to extend the deadline for bidding to  
211 December 20, 2006. The motion passed 9 yes (Jacqueline Brellochs, Roger Frey, Kevin  
212 Gallagher, Sandee Lovett, Mary L. Price, Kathy Mclver, Pam Rubio, Mary Lou Roberts, Cathy  
213 Sands) 1 no (Aura Dean), 1 abstain (Jan Boggio) 1 recusal (Maredith Reggie),

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215 Maredith Reggie rejoined the meeting at 12:25 a.m.

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217 The Board voted to recess until Tuesday, October 3, 2006 at 8 p.m. EDT. The Agenda  
218 published for the September 21, 2006 meeting will be continued at that time.

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220 **RECESS**

221 The Board recessed at 12:30 a.m. Eastern Daylight Time and will resume via teleconference  
222 on Tuesday, October 3, 2006 at 8:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time.

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225 **OCTOBER 3, 2006**

226 Roger Frey, President, reconvened the meeting at 8:04 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time.

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228 Present were Jan Boggio, Jacqueline Brellochs, Aura Dean, Roger Frey, Sandee Lovett,  
229 Mary L. Price, Kathy Mclver, Maredith Reggie, Pam Rubio, Mary Lou Roberts, Cathy Sands,  
230 Mary W. Price, AKC Delegate, *ex officio*.

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232 Mary Lou Cuddy, Membership Chair, joined the meeting at 8:09 p.m. for discussion of the  
233 proposed revision of the membership application packet.

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235 Kathy Mclver moved and Cathy Sands seconded to accept the revised membership packet.  
236 The motion passed unanimously.

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238 The Committee members (Mary Lou Cuddy, Maredith Reggie, and Cathy Sands) were  
239 thanked for their work developing the more user-friendly membership packet.

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241 There was discussion about the feasibility of making the membership application packet  
242 available via the NCA webpage. This will be added to the November face-to-face meeting  
243 agenda for discussion.

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245 Kevin Gallagher joined the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

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247 Mary Lou Cuddy reported that she and Meredith Reggie are working on a new format for the  
248 NCA membership directory to make it more user-friendly.

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250 Mary L. Price left the meeting at 8:38 p.m. Mary Lou Cuddy left the meeting at 8:40 p.m.  
251 Meredith Reggie recused herself and temporarily left the meeting at 8:41 p.m.

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253 **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

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255 **1) *Newf Tide* Policy Committee**

256 The Board discussed the revised *Newf Tide* Bid Packet. Aura Dean presented comments  
257 sent by David VanCouvering regarding the necessity of making clear to the bidders who have  
258 already placed a bid that this packet has been revised.

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260 Pam Rubio moved and Kathy Mclver seconded that the Board accept the proposed bid  
261 packet as amended. The motion passed 7 yes (Jacqueline Brellochs, Roger Frey, Sandee  
262 Lovett, Kathy Mclver, Pam Rubio, Mary Lou Roberts, Cathy Sands) 3 recused (Jan Boggio,  
263 Aura Dean, Meredith Reggie), 1 abstain (Kevin Gallagher) and 1 absent (Mary L. Price).

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265 There was discussion about the deadline for bidders.

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267 Kevin Gallagher moved and Pam Rubio seconded to re-visit the deadline date for the *Newf*  
268 *Tide* bid packets. The motion passed 5 yes (Aura Dean, Kevin Gallagher, Sandee Lovett,  
269 Kathy Mclver, Pam Rubio) 4 no (Jacqueline Brellochs, Roger Frey, Mary Lou Roberts, Cathy  
270 Sands), 1 abstain (Jan Boggio), 1 rescued (Meredith Reggie) and 1 absent (Mary L. Price).

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272 The Board discussed several methods of notifying the membership of the revised *Newf Tide*  
273 bid packet and the extended due dates.

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275 Kevin Gallagher moved and Jacqueline Brellochs seconded that Kevin Gallagher will prepare  
276 an email and/or the mailing of a postcard to the NCA membership regarding the revised *Newf*  
277 *Tide* bid packet as approved by the Board and giving the date of December 18, 2006 as the  
278 deadline for receipt of bids. If it is not feasible to do so by October 6, 2006, he will notify the  
279 Board and a notice will be placed in the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter, 2006 *Newf Tide*. The motion passed 9  
280 yes (Jacqueline Brellochs, Aura Dean, Roger Frey, Kevin Gallagher, Sandee Lovett, Kathy  
281 Mclver, Pam Rubio, Mary Lou Roberts, Cathy Sands), 2 recusals (Jan Boggio, Meredith  
282 Reggie) and 1 absent (Mary L. Price).

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284 Maredith Reggie returned to the meeting at 10:05 p.m.

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286 **1) Judges Education Committee (JEC)**

287 Kim Griffith joined the meeting at 10:06 p.m. Kim reported that the JEC had been charged  
288 with upgrading the slide presentation to digital. The Committee's mandate was not to change  
289 the presentation but to upgrade the quality. Some of the photos were not good enough  
290 quality to use in the new presentation and those have been replaced. The CD was shown at  
291 the 2006 National and the JEC committee approved it. Several new members have been  
292 appointed to JEC and those members will receive copies of the CD for their review.

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294 There was discussion about whether the CD presentation, which is in power point, would run  
295 on MAC computers. Kim will check into this and report back to the Board.

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297 Kathy Mclver moved and Jacqueline Brellochs seconded that the Board members receive  
298 copies of the CD and the written presentation to review before the fall face-to-face meeting.  
299 The motion passed unanimously (1 absent, Mary L. Price).

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301 Kim will mail the presentation packets to the Board when he returns from Canada, in  
302 approximately 2 weeks time.

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304 Kim Griffith left the meeting at 10:30 p.m.

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306 **3) Task Force**

307 Mary Lou Roberts reported that Bev Eichel, chair, had contacted 40 clubs that agreed to  
308 participate in the task force. It has been reported that the AKC has now cancelled its contract  
309 with Petland.

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311 The Task Force is still charged to work with the AKC to find ways for the AKC to remain a  
312 viable organization without selling out the interests of pure-bred dogs. It was restated that  
313 AKC registrations were down 6% in the first 8 months of 2006.

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315 Jan Boggio moved and Maredith Reggie seconded that the Task Force be asked to write a  
316 letter for signature by the NCA thanking the AKC for listening to the concerns of the dog  
317 fancy regarding the Petland issue. The motion passed 10 yes (Jan Boggio, Jacqueline  
318 Brellochs, Aura Dean, Roger Frey, Kevin Gallagher, Sandee Lovett, Kathy Mclver, Maredith  
319 Reggie, Pam Rubio, Cathy Sands) 1 no (Mary Lou Roberts), 1 absent (Mary L. Price).

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321 **3) Whelping Box**

322 Pam Rubio & Maredith Reggie will have a report on this issue for the fall face-to-face  
323 meeting.

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327 **4) National Specialty Show Guide Committee**  
328 Mary Lou Roberts will ask for an update on the status of changes to the Guide. The update  
329 is to be received by the fall face-to-face meeting.  
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331 Jacqueline Brellochs moved and Cathy Sands seconded to go into Executive Session at  
332 10:50 p.m. The Board came out of Executive Session at 11:00 p.m.  
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335 **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

336 While in Executive Session the Board approved the membership application of October 3 for  
337 publication in *Newf Tide*.  
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339 While in Executive Session the Board discussed Committees and deadlines not met.  
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341 **5) Rescue Education and Awareness Committee (REACT)**

342 The Committee has asked for approval of a proposed survey regarding how NCA members  
343 got their first Newfoundland. Mary Lou Roberts moved and Kathy McIver seconded to  
344 approve the concept of the survey and asked that Meredith Reggie and Pam Rubio share  
345 their comments with the Committee.  
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347 All Committees are reminded that the Board must approve all surveys before they are sent  
348 out.  
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350 Mary W. Price left the meeting at 11:12 p.m.  
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352 **6) Constitution and By-Laws Committee (CBLC)**

353 An email was received by the Board in answer to the Board's questions. Mary Lou Cuddy  
354 reported that multiple members of CBLC plan to attend the November face-to-face meeting in  
355 Chicago.  
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357 **7) Newf Novelties Committee**

358 An email was received from Susan Aspeotes, Chair of the Newf Novelties Committee  
359 showing some items that are available from Café Press which might be suitable for sale by  
360 both Newf Novelties and the Charitable Trust  
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362 **8) Working Achievement Award Committee (WAAC)**

363 There was discussion about the preliminary report received from WAAC Chair, Brian Hodges.  
364 The Board discussed whether the mandate for this Committee is clear and what its intent  
365 was. Board members were uncertain as to whether this award was to encourage more  
366 people to compete in working events or to honor dogs that were outstanding working dogs.  
367 There was discussion about whether there should be 2 separate awards with separate  
368 names. This discussion will continue at the November face-to-face meeting.  
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370 **OLD BUSINESS**

371 1. Mary Lou Roberts asked if NCA has an equitable policy regarding payment of volunteers  
372 for work done for the NCA. This subject will be addressed in conjunction with the CBLC  
373 meeting at the November face-to-face meeting.

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375 2. Mary Lou Roberts asked that the Board establish a policy as to whether or not NCA Board  
376 members will be able join the face-to-face meeting by phone if unable to attend. There was  
377 discussion regarding the need to have such services available. It was decided by consensus  
378 that the service would be available since the Board may need to use it to communicate with  
379 committee(s) during the meetings.

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381 **NEW BUSINESS**

382 1. Cathy Sands requested that the NCA be responsible for subsidizing costs of required  
383 tenting, generators and fuel for those generators at National Specialty Shows. The Board  
384 referred this item to the National Specialty Show Committee for input.

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386 **ADJOURNMENT**

387 The meeting adjourned at 12:04 a.m. Eastern Daylight Time.

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389 The Board will hold its fall face-to-face meeting in Chicago November 3-5, 2006. The  
390 meeting will be held at the Comfort Suites O'Hare, 4200 N River Rd, Schiller Park, Illinois  
391 beginning at 8 p.m. Central Standard Time on Friday.

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393 Respectfully submitted,

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396 Cathy Sands  
397 NCA Recording Secretary