



**NEWFOUNDLAND CLUB OF AMERICA BOARD OF DIRECTORS
REGULAR TELECONFERENCE MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2017 (APPROVED: JANUARY 18, 2018)
EASTERN DAYLIGHT TIMES ARE NOTED**

NCA Board of Directors: Lynne Anderson-Powell (LA), Steve Britton (SB), John Cornell (JC), Mary Lou Cuddy (MLC), Roger Frey (RF), Sue Marino (SM); Steve McAdams (SMc), Mary L. Price (MLP), Pat Randall (PKR), Pam Rubio (PSR), Pam Saunders (PS), Donna Thibault (DT) and Dave Helming, AKC delegate.

OPENING

President Pam Saunders called the meeting to order at 8:07 p.m., and Recording Secretary Steve Britton was present.

Other board members who answered the roll-call: John Cornell, Mary Lou Cuddy, Roger Frey, Sue Marino, Steve McAdams, Mary L. Price, Pam Rubio and Donna Thibault; Pat Randall joined the meeting at 8:40 p.m. Lynne Anderson Powell and AKC Delegate David Helming were absent.

Sue Rainey, chair of the NCA Working Dog Committee, attended a portion of the meeting.

Pam Rubio moved and John Cornell seconded to adopt the published agenda. The board adopted the agenda without objection.

AKC DELEGATE'S REPORT

In his absence, the recording secretary read a written report from AKC Delegate David Helming, and he reported the following:

- He is waiting for a reply from AKC about the NCA Board's request that a disclaimer be placed on the Newfoundland AKC Marketplace portal.
- He attended the recent delegate meeting-major focus was on the seven AKC Board Election Candidates doing Q & A; the pending AKC Board election takes place at the March 2018 Quarterly Delegates meeting.

MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Mary Lou Cuddy, membership chairman, reported on an ongoing concern with the AKC Marketplace. Some individuals, using the AKC Marketplace, have marked AKC Parent Club membership (NCA) when, in fact, they are not members of the NCA. The NCA Membership Chair monitors the AKC Marketplace for the NCA, and informs the AKC of incorrect listings.

MINUTES

The board took the following actions on pending minutes:

- Approved the minutes of its regular Face-to-face meeting-November 10, 11 and 12-as amended. (Absent: LA. PKR)
- Without objection, the board dispensed with the reading and approval of the minutes from the Charitable Trust Trustee meeting of Saturday, November 11, 2017. (The reading and approval of the Charitable Trust Trustee minutes will occur at its January 18, 2018 meeting; absent: LA).

1ST VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

John Cornell, 1st vice-president, reported that he attended the NCA Charitable Trust Management Board (CTMB) meeting and emailed a CTMB meeting report to board members under separate cover, as follows:

- CTMB Chair Clyde Dunphy reported back to the Trust about his report to the Board.

Minutes of the CTMB's last meeting were approved with the noted corrections.

- It reviewed the CTMB Treasurer's Report: Reviewed the financial Statements. Reviewed the Morgan Stanley reports, the Trust reviewed the investments.
- *Giving Tuesday* Campaign recorded 34 donations from 20 donors. A good start for the campaign.
- The Barrister Fund is depleted. The CTMB will have an ongoing discussion about replenishing and renaming the fund.
- Its ongoing 20-year fund raising program has started. A list of donors is available, and project will be re-launched before the end of the year. Another appeal campaign will be launched by the end of February.
- The CTMB is working on the annual trust report, which will be out in January. This is an earlier publishing date than in past years.
- It is looking forward to the Annual Meeting as it celebrates the 20th year of the CTMB.
- The CTMB approved using Google Groups for Cloud data storage. It now has a secure place for storage of pertinent Trust information and documents

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Without objection, to consider sensitive business, the board entered executive session. While in executive session, Pat Randall joined the meeting. (Absent: LA)

WORKING DOG COMMITTEE

Sue Raney, chair of the Working Dog Committee arrived at 9 p.m., and without objection, the board returned to its regular business session. Sue Raney presented a Working Dog Committee report on proposed Water Test Boat Safety requirements.

Steve Britton requested the board receive a minority committee report on the proposed Water Test Boat Safety requirements (authored by Sue Marino). Without objection, the board received the minority report. (Absent: LA)

Steve Britton moved and Pam Rubio seconded to approve the Water Test Boat Safety requirements proposal as noted in the Working Dog Committee Report. By roll-call vote, the board adopted the committee's proposal. (Affirmative: SB, JC, MLC, SMc, MLP, PKR, PSR, PS; Negative: RF, SM, DT; Absent: LA)

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT

Pam Rubio, corresponding secretary, reported correspondence received from AKC: Guy Fisher, Mark Dunn, and obedience changes; the board also received correspondence from NCA Member Jack Dean.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Mary L. Price reported the following:

- Receipts and Disbursements for October 21 – December 9, 2017 – net \$(28,431.47);
- Cash Balances on December 9, 2017 - \$203,699.81
- Presented a historical NCA Top 20/10 financial report.

2018 NCA NATIONAL SPECIALTY

Steve Britton, 2018 NCA National Specialty Show Chair, updated the board about the 2018 Specialty Show, and noted a show financial report that was placed in the December board packet.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Without objection, the board returned to its executive session, and subsequently returned to its regular session. (Absent: LA)

While in executive session:

- President Saunders and Treasurer Price updated the board about the NCA's disbursement/distribution from Betty Stackhouse's estate.
- An update about a Dog Bite incident occurring at a September 2017 Water Test.
- A report from Sue Marino, NCA Regional Club Liaison and Steve Britton about a conflict in a regional club's bylaws regarding its board of directors election procedure.

Subsequent to executive session, the board took the following actions in regular session:

- Pam Rubio moved and John Cornell seconded that the president appoint a special committee of three to develop a policy for reinstatement for any dog that is disqualified under the Working Dog Aggression Policy. The board adopted the motion without objection. (Absent: LA)
- Without objection, President Pam Saunders appointed Pam Rubio (chair), Sue Marino, and herself to the special committee. She also set the special committee's reporting due date as the February 15, 2018 regular board of director's meeting.

Donna Thibault moved and Steve Britton seconded to adjourn the meeting. (Absent: LA)

President Pam Saunders declared the meeting adjourned at 10:31 p.m.

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