

Bulletin Board

Newfoundland Club of America Board of Directors
Face-to-Face Meeting of the Board
Chicago, Illinois
November 19-21, 2010

(In an effort for more timely communication with the membership, here is a list of the motions made and actions taken at this meeting. This list is presented by the Board for your information and is to be considered unofficial. The complete official minutes of the meeting will be published as soon as they are approved.)

NCA Board of Directors: Lynne Anderson-Powell (LA), John Cornell (JC), Mary Lou Cuddy (MLC), Sue Marino (SM), Mary L. Price (MLP), Meredith Reggie (MR), Pam Rubio (PR), Pam Saunders (PS) and Donna Thibault (DT). Roger Frey (RF), Jacqueline K. Brellochs (JB) and Kathy McIver (KM) attended the meeting via teleconference.

At 8:10 p.m., the meeting was called to order by Presiding Officer Mary Lou Cuddy.

Pam Rubio moved and John Cornell seconded that the minutes of the October 21, 2010 teleconference be approved as amended. The motion passed unanimously.

John Cornell moved and Pam Saunders seconded that the Board direct the Recording Secretary to prepare the upcoming election materials using her home address for return mailing and that the counting of the 2011 ballots would be conducted by Board-appointed counters and the Recording Secretary rather than an outside firm. The motion passed unanimously.

Pam Saunders moved and John Cornell seconded that the Board thank the Judges Education Committee for their response to the Board's concerns. The motion passed. 10 Yes (LA, JC, MLC, SM, KM, MLP, MR, PR, PS, DT); 2 No (JB, RF)

Pam Rubio moved and Sue Marino seconded that the Board approve the recommendation that either an AKC Companion Dog (CD) title or the new AKC Versatility (VER) obedience title will count toward calculating ROM points. The motion passed unanimously.

Meredith Reggie moved and Sue Marino seconded that the Board approve the awarding of obedience pins for the following AKC obedience titles: Companion Dog (CD), Companion Dog Excellent (CDX), Utility (UD), Versatility (VER) and Obedience Trial Championship (OTCH). The motion passed unanimously.

Kathy McIver moved and Pam Saunders seconded that the Board accept the recommendation of the Specialty Show Coordinating Committee to award an annual plaque to the winner of the Stud Dog and Brood Bitch classes at the National Specialty,

in memory of Mrs. Elizabeth Loring Powers, effective with the 2011 National Specialty. The motion passed unanimously.

Kathy McIver moved and Pam Rubio seconded that the Board approve the recommendation of using the Lenox china Eternal pattern for the National Specialty uniform trophies. The motion passed unanimously.

Kathy McIver moved and John Cornell seconded that the Board accept the Specialty Show Coordinating Committee's recommendation not to include international NCA members licensed to judge Newfoundlands in their countries on the approved list of conformation judges. The motion passed. 10 Yes (LA, JC, MLC, SM, KM, MLP, MR, PR, PS, DT); 2 No (JB, RF)

Pam Saunders moved and Pam Rubio seconded that the Board approve the recommendation of the Specialty Show Coordinating Committee that the Specialty Show Coordinator, charged with updating an approved judges list every three years, shall enlist the assistance of two additional members of the Specialty Show Committee to conduct the count. Upon completion of the tabulation of those AKC judges in the top 15%, the Coordinator will promptly share the following information with the Committee, the NCA Board and the following will be published in the next issue of *Newf Tide*.

- Number of NCA members who voted
- Judges in the top 15% of votes

The number of votes judges needed to qualify will not be published, nor will the number of votes each judge received. The motion passed unanimously.

At 11:10 p.m., the meeting was recessed.

NCA Face-to-Face, continued November 20, 2010

At 10:15 a.m., the meeting reconvened.

Pam Saunders moved and Meredith Reggie seconded that the Board approve the Steering Committee's proposal of the concept of increasing NCA membership. Individual methods to accomplish increasing NCA membership will be brought before the Board for approval. The motion passed. 10 Yes (LA, JC, MLC, RF, SM, MLP, MR, PR, PS, DT); 1 No (KM); 1 Abstain (JB)

Sue Marino moved and Lynne Anderson-Powell seconded to approve the goals and purpose of the proposed Newf Ambassador Program. The Newf Ambassador Committee will provide the Board with details of specific programs. The motion passed. 10 Yes (LA, JB, MLC, RF, SM, MLP, MR, PR, PS, DT); 2 No (JC, KM)

At 11:15 a.m., Pam Saunders moved and John Cornell seconded that the Board go into executive session. The motion passed unanimously.

At 12:54 p.m., Sue Marino moved and John Cornell seconded that the Board come out of executive session. The motion passed unanimously.

While in executive session, the Board approved the Applicant List of October 21, 2010.

While in executive session, the Board selected the recipients for the 2011 Heroic Newfoundland, Good Sportsmanship and Isabel Kurth awards.

While in executive session, the Board appointed Kelli Lepore as the International Liaison.

While in executive session, the Board approved the list of ballot counters and alternates as presented by the Recording Secretary.

Sue Marino moved and Pam Saunders seconded that Board members submit final corrections to the "Newf and You" content given to Meredith Reggie by the December 16, 2010 Board teleconference. The motion passed unanimously.

Sue Marino moved and Pam Saunders seconded that Newfoundlands earning the new AKC Grand Champion title may submit this accomplishment, per established policy, for publication in *Newf Tide* and the Annual of Titlists. The motion passed unanimously.

John Cornell moved and Kathy McIver seconded that the Board approve the policy for awarding AKC Selects, NCA Selects, and NCA Award of Merits, as amended to include the same procedure at regional specialties as well as National specialties. The motion passed unanimously.

Sue Marino moved and Pam Rubio seconded that the Board approved the purchase of a one year supply of Award of Merit medallions and directed that other suppliers be contacted for estimates. By unanimous consent, the motion passed.

The Board clarified that items submitted to the Charitable Trust Management Board (CTMB) by NCA committees for consideration must first have approval of the NCA Board. The clarification passed by unanimous consent.

By unanimous consent, the Board approved the recommendation of the NCA Charitable Trust that the CTMB Chair be appointed as the AKC/CHF Liaison.

Pam Rubio moved and Kathy McIver seconded that Committee articles be administered in accordance to the *Newf Tide* Policy Committee's general policy on article submission, and not as committee reports. The motion passed. 11 Yes (LA, JB, JC, MLC, RF, SM, KM, MLP, PR, PS, DT); 1 Abstain (MR)

Pam Saunders moved and Lynne Anderson-Powell seconded to refer a proposal for WRD requalifications to the Working Dog Committee. The motion passed unanimously.

Meredith Reggie moved and Pam Saunders seconded that the request for the Working Dog Committee to review the requirements for passing performances in water test exercises be referred to the Working Dog Committee. The motion passed unanimously.

Pam Saunders moved and Pam Rubio seconded that a request to review the evaluation procedures pertaining to the observation experience of potential working test judges be referred to the Working Dog Committee with a response back to the Board by the February 17, 2011 meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Pam Saunders moved and Meredith Reggie seconded that the Board appoint Donna Thibault as Master of Ceremonies for the awards presentation portion of the Annual Meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Pam Rubio moved and Kathy McIver seconded that the Board accept Pam Saunders' offer to prepare a proposal regarding the updating of current policies to the *NCA Policy and Procedure Manual* for use by the Governing Documents Review Committee by the December 16, 2010 teleconference. The motion passed unanimously.

At 4:21 p.m., Sue Marino moved and Kathy McIver seconded that the Board go into executive session. The motion passed unanimously.

At 5:05 p.m., Sue Marino moved and Pam Saunders seconded that the Board come out of executive session. The motion passed unanimously.

While in executive session, the Board approved the updating of the *NCA Policy and Procedure Manual* as a two-phase project - the archival history of the NCA and the current policies and procedures for use by the Governance Committee.

At 5:06 p.m., the meeting was recessed.

At 8:03 p.m., the meeting reconvened.

Pam Rubio moved and Pam Saunders seconded that the NCA participate in the Purina Dog Breed Library and Selector tool. The motion passed unanimously.

Sue Marino moved and Pam Rubio seconded that the Board place the Inter-Committee Communication policy, approved at the August 19, 2010 meeting, on the December 16, 2010 agenda for review and possible clarification. The motion passed. 11 Yes (LA, JB, JC, MLC, RF, SM, MLP, MR, PR, PS, DT); 1 No (KM)

Pam Saunders moved and John Cornell seconded that the Rescue Education and Awareness Committee be allowed to post an advertisement on *NCA e-notes* for volunteers. The motion passed unanimously.

At 9:45 p.m., Meredith Reggie moved and Sue Marino seconded that the Board go into executive session. The motion passed unanimously.

At 9:54 p.m., Pam Rubio moved and Pam Saunders seconded that the Board come out of executive session. The motion passed unanimously.

At 10:00 p.m., the meeting was recessed.

**NCA Face-to-Face Meeting, Continued
November 21, 2010**

At 9:02 a.m., the meeting reconvened. Roger Frey (RF) was absent.

The Board thanked the North Central Newfoundland Club for their warm welcome and wonderful baskets. Their hospitality is appreciated.

At 9:06 a.m., Pam Saunders moved and Lynne Anderson-Powell seconded that the Board go into executive session. The motion passed unanimously. 1 Absent (RF)

At 9:15 a.m., Pam Saunders moved and Sue Marino seconded that the Board come out of executive session. The motion passed unanimously. 1 Absent (RF)

While in executive session, the Board considered a concern regarding the procedure for awarding the Good Sportsmanship Award. Kathy McIver will respond on behalf of the Board.

Sue Marino moved and John Cornell seconded that the Board approve the recommendation of the Electronic Publications Policy Committee to post the *Newf Know How* and other informational articles on Squidoo.com. The motion passed unanimously. 1 Absent (RF)

At 11:35 a.m., John Cornell moved and Sue Marino seconded that the meeting be adjourned. The motion passed unanimously. 1 Absent (RF)