

Bulletin Board

Newfoundland Club of America Board of Directors
Face-to-Face Meeting of the Board
Honor's Haven
Ellenville, NY
November 6-8, 2009

(In an effort for more timely communication with the membership, here is a list of the motions made at the 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), Jacqueline K. Brellochs (JB), Mary Lou Cuddy (MLC), Roger Frey (RF), Sue Marino (SM), Kathy McIver (KM), Mary L. Price (MLP), Pat Randall (PKR), Maredith Reggie (MR), Mary Lou Roberts (MLR), Pam Rubio (PSR) and Pam Saunders (PS).

At 10:45 p.m., the meeting was called to order.

At 10:50 p.m., Lynne Anderson-Powell moved and Pam Saunders seconded that the Board go into executive session. The motion passed unanimously.

At 12:55 p.m., Kathy McIver moved and Pam Rubio seconded that the Board come out of executive session. The motion passed unanimously.

While in executive session, the Board considered the November 6, 2009 Applicants List.

While in executive session, the Recording Secretary reported that the Board had approved the Applicants List dated October 15, 2009.

By unanimous consent, the Board forwarded a proposal for a Technical Preparation Committee to the Regional Club Committee for review and discussion.

While in executive session, the Board awarded the Heroic Newfoundland Award.

While in executive session, the Board awarded Honorary Membership to Claire Carr.

While in executive session, the Board appointed the following members to the Nominating Committee: Cheryl Dondino, Chair, Ivan Rakyta, Cissy Sullivan, Ken Wildman, Geraldine Willis, with alternates Mary Lou Roberts and Bob Rogers.

Pam Rubio moved and Pat Randall seconded that the Board approve paying \$500 to the American Kennel Club for data from the years 1980-2006 for the *NCA Database*. The motion passed unanimously.

Pam Saunders moved and Pat Randall seconded that the Board consider the recommendation from the Electronic Publications Policy Committee in regards to the proposed Public Relations Spokesman no later than the December 17, 2009 teleconference. The motion passed unanimously.

Lynne Anderson-Powell moved and Pam Saunders seconded that the Board approve the *Electronic Publications Policy Manual* as amended. The motion passed unanimously.

Pam Rubio moved and Lynne Anderson-Powell seconded that the Board approve the October 15, 2009 minutes as amended. The motion passed unanimously. 1 Absent (MR)

Kathy McIver moved and Sue Marino seconded that the Board give Naomi Young Meyer permission to download and print the *Introducing the Newfoundland* pamphlet for use at the Westminster Kennel Club show. The motion passed unanimously.

Pam Rubio moved and Kathy McIver seconded that the Board approve the *DNA Clinic Guidelines* developed by the Health & Longevity Committee as amended. The motion passed unanimously.

Mary Lou Cuddy moved and Sue Marino seconded that the Board approve the purchase by the TOD/TODD Committee of two boxes of certificates and that the committee come back to the Board with three price quotes on the suggested pins. The motion passed unanimously.

By unanimous consent, the Board approved the use by regional clubs of the NCA logo when contacting vendors for donations or fund-raising with permission being granted by the Board on a case-by-case basis.

By unanimous consent, the Board approved the suggested changes to the *Specialty Show Guide* in the following areas: Treasurer and Finance and Top Twenty Judges Qualifications.

Jacqueline Brellochs moved and Pam Rubio seconded that the Board accept the bid for the 2012 National Specialty from the New-Pen-Del Newfoundland Club. The motion was ruled out of order.

Pam Rubio moved and Kathy McIver seconded that since there are extenuating circumstances, the Board suspend the policy for the approval of a National Specialty one time. The motion passed unanimously.

Jacqueline Brellochs moved and Pam Rubio seconded that the Board accept the bid from the New-Pen-Del Newfoundland Club to host the May 1-5, 2012 National Specialty in Carlisle, PA. The motion passed unanimously.

Pam Saunders moved and Sue Marino seconded that the Board direct the Breeders Education Committee to proceed with the beta testing of the Kennel Management Heart Survey and to start providing information on the survey to the members of the *Breeders List* with the caveat that the survey may change slightly after the beta testing is completed. The motion passed unanimously.

Kathy Mclver moved and Pam Rubio seconded that the Board accept the recommendation of the *Newf Tide* Policy Committee for the use of 70 pound paper (interior pages only) in issues that exceed 120 pages. The motion passed. 10 Yes (LA, JB, MLC, SM, KM, MLP, PKR, MLR, PSR, PS); 1 No (RF); 1 Abstain (MR)

Kathy Mclver moved and Pam Rubio seconded that the Board accept the recommendation of the *Newf Tide* Policy Committee that the *Newf Tide* editor will determine the number of Newfoundlands, if any, to be listed in the honorable mention category on the Oldest Living Newfoundland page. The determination will be based upon design and space considerations, as well as the ages of the dogs and what the editor feels is appropriate for that particular year. The motion passed. 10 Yes (LA, JB, MLC, SM, KM, MLP, PKR, MLR, PSR, PS); 1 No (RF); 1 Abstain (MR)

Kathy Mclver moved and Meredith Reggie seconded that the Board accept the recommendation of the Working Dog Committee for the following change: If a water or draft test is canceled due to insufficient entries the Working Dog Committee will roll over that club's application fee for use for the club's next test, whether it be a water or draft test. The fee will be held for one year and if not used on the subsequent test, the fee will be forfeited. The motion passed unanimously.

By unanimous consent, the Board agreed that the Judges Education Committee's DVD will not be included in back issues of *Newf Tide*.

Lynne Anderson-Powell moved and Kathy Mclver seconded that Board approve the recommendation of the Working Dog Committee for the following change: Working test evaluations may also be filled out electronically on the *NCA Website*. The motion passed unanimously.

At 10:49 p.m., by unanimous consent, the Board recessed the meeting until 8:30 a.m., November 7, 2009.

NCA Face-to-Face Meeting, continued November 7, 2009

At 9:02 a.m., the meeting was reconvened.

Pat Randal moved and Kathy Mclver seconded that the Board amend the committee guidelines and policies to reflect the following:

To remove from the NCA Policy Manual, Volume II, Committee Guidelines and Policies, Membership, Sections 1-4.

Membership

- 1) Chairs are appointed annually by the NCA Board.
- 2) Most, but not all, NCA Committees are non-exclusive, i.e., any NCA member may serve on such a committee providing they are contributing to the goals of the committee.
- 3) For exclusive (limited membership) committees, it is the responsibility of the Board to appoint committee members. An example of that is the Nominating Committee.
- 4) For non-exclusive committees, the Board may suggest or appoint committee members or the Chair may appoint as many members as they feel are necessary to conduct business effectively. Others may volunteer to serve by contacting the Committee Chair.

and to replace the above text with the following: All committees will be appointed annually by the Board as per the *NCA Constitution and Bylaws*, Article V, Section 1. The motion passed unanimously.

Mary Lou Roberts moved and Sue Marino seconded that the Board refer the recommendation for ranking priorities for grant funding to the NCA Trustee. The motion passed. 11 Yes (LA, JB, MLC, RF, SM, KM, MLP, PKR, MR, PSR, PS); 1 No (MLR)

At 11:04 a.m., Kathy McIver moved and Pam Rubio seconded that the Board go into executive session. The motion passed unanimously.

At 12:07 p.m., Kathy McIver moved and Lynne Anderson-Powell seconded that the Board come out of executive session. The motion passed unanimously.

While in executive session, the Board awarded the NCA Good Sportsmanship Award.

While in executive session, the Board awarded the Isabel Kurth Award.

Meredith Reggie moved and Sue Marino seconded that the awards given to Juniors be titled: Top Junior in Junior Showmanship, Top Junior in Conformation, Top Junior in Obedience. The motion passed unanimously.

At 1:37 p.m., Pam Rubio moved and Lynne Anderson-Powell seconded that the Board go into executive session. The motion passed unanimously.

At 2:54 p.m., Pam Saunders moved and Pam Rubio seconded that the Board come out of executive session. The motion passed unanimously.

Pam Saunders moved and Pam Rubio seconded that as the result of a discussion held in executive session, the Board will place an article in the 4th Quarter 2009 issue of *Newf Tide* outlining the history, time line and expectations of the *NCA Database*. The motion passed unanimously.

Sue Marino moved and Lynne Anderson-Powell seconded that the Board appoint Mary Lou Roberts to write the article for the 4th Quarter 2009 issue of *Newf Tide*. The article will be submitted to the Board for review. The motion passed unanimously.

At 10:11 p.m., Pat Randall moved and Pam Saunders seconded that the Board go into executive session. The motion passed unanimously.

At 10:23 p.m., Pam Rubio moved and Pam Saunders seconded that the Board come out of executive session. The motion passed unanimously.

At 10:28 p.m., by unanimous consent, the Board recessed the meeting until 8:30 a.m., November 8, 2009.

NCA Face-to-Face Meeting, continued
November 8, 2009

At 9:25 a.m., the meeting was reconvened.

By unanimous consent, the Board instructed Mary W. Price, AKC Delegate to cast a negative vote for the proposed AKC Grand Champion title.

At 10:20 a.m., Meredith Reggie moved and Pam Saunders seconded that the Board go into executive session. The motion passed unanimously.

At 10:43 a.m., Pam Rubio moved and Pam Saunders seconded that the Board come out of executive session. The motion passed unanimously.

While in executive session, the Board appointed Lynne Anderson-Powell to the Technical Resources Committee.

Sue Marino moved and Jacqueline Brellochs seconded that the NCA pay the September 16-30, 2009 invoice from Ascent Systems, Inc. in the amount of \$4225.00. The motion passed unanimously.

At 10:53 a.m., Pam Rubio moved and Sue Marino seconded that the meeting be adjourned. The motion passed unanimously.