

1
2 Board of Directors Teleconference
3 July 19, 2007
4 BULLETIN BOARD
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6 President Roger Frey called the meeting to order at 8:10 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time
7 (EDT). Present were Jacqueline Brellochs, Barbara Finch, Roger Frey, Kevin
8 Gallagher, Sandee Lovett, Sue Marino, Kathy McIver, Mary L. Price, Meredith Reggie,
9 Mary Lou Roberts, Pam Rubio, and Cathy L. Sands. AKC Delegate, Mary W. Price, *ex*
10 *officio*, was also present.

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12 **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

13 The minutes of June 21, 2007 teleconference were approved as amended.
14 The minutes of the May 1, 2007 NCA Annual Membership Meeting were approved for
15 publication as amended.
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17 **PRESIDENT'S REPORT (Roger Frey)**

18 No report.
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20 **1ST VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT (Sandee Lovett)**

21 Sandy reported on the July meeting of the Charitable Trust Management Board, and
22 indicated that CTMB was working on its revised operating principles and organizational
23 change structure. Mary L. Price stated that the CTMB is also working on grant
24 application proposal for the Petco Foundation.
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26 **2ND VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT (Mary Lou Roberts)**

27 Discussion was deferred to specific committee reports.
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29 **CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT (Jacqueline Bellochs)**

30 A letter was received from Bernese Mountain Dog Club regarding required DNA on all
31 dogs.

32 A letter was received from California Senator Dave Cox in reply to the NCA's letter
33 opposing Bill 1634 (California Healthy Pets Act). He also opposes the bill.
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35 **RECORDING SECRETARY'S REPORT (Cathy L. Sands)**

36 No report.
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38 **TREASURER'S REPORT (Mary L. Price)**

39 Mary presented the Treasurer's report. It was accepted unanimously. She reported the
40 following balances: checking account: \$16,071.18; savings account: \$ 7,978.28;
41 invested in CDs: \$255,010.77; and the NCA operations balance total of \$279,060.23
42 with \$4,517.20 in reserve for "Distinguished Member" expenses. The Uniform Trophy
43 Fund balance is \$11,845.58 for a grand total of \$290,905.81. Membership renewals are
44 being processed.
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46 MOTON: Pam Rubio moved and Jacqueline Brellochs seconded to transfer the funds
47 received from the now defunct Ohio Newfoundland Club in the amount of \$1,974.80 into
48 the NCA Rescue Fund. Motion passed unanimously.

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50 Mary submitted the proposed 2008 Budget. Aura Dean joined the meeting at 9:25 p.m.
51 in order to give input on the *Newf Tide* and *Annual of Titlists* portions of the budget.
52 Aura left the meeting at 9:45 p.m.

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54 MOTION: Pam Rubio moved and Kathy Mclver seconded to approve the 2008 Budget
55 as submitted. The motion passed unanimously.

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57 MOTION: Kathy Mclver moved and Cathy Sands seconded to approve
58 the Sheridan Gateway Suites at Chicago O'Hare as the site for the Board's fall face-to-
59 face meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

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61 **AKC DELEGATE'S REPORT (Mary W. Price)**
62 Mary presented a recap of the AKC Delegates Meeting held in Las Vegas on June 10th
63 and 11th. Mary will not be able to attend the September AKC Delegates meeting.

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65 **COMMITTEE REPORTS (Mary Lou Roberts)**
66 • Breeders Education Committee: Kathy Mclver submitted a list of books that the BEC
67 will have available for loan to NCA members.
68 • Kathy Mclver presented a request from a regional club to use the Judges Education
69 Committee's (JEC) power point presentation at a regional club event. The request
70 was denied because the power point has not yet been approved by the Board.

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72 MOTION: Mary Lou Roberts moved and Kathy Mclver seconded to have JEC send to
73 each member of the Board copies of the Judges Notebook, the Pocket Guide, and the
74 new CD (minus the video clips which will not run on CD) for the Board's review. The
75 motion passed with 2 abstaining.

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77 MOTION: Maredith Reggie moved and Barbara Finch seconded to invite Denise
78 Castonguay, Chair of JEC, to the face-to-face meeting of the Board to give the new
79 presentation. Barbara Finch will help with the presentation. The motion passed
80 unanimously.

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82 • *Ad hoc* Constitution & By-Laws Revision Committee: Bev Eichel submitted a request
83 for additional committee members.
84 • Health and Longevity Committee: Pam Rubio reported that the committee has met
85 and would be making recommendations to the Board once the minutes of their
86 teleconference have been approved.
87 • Mary Lou Roberts stated that the Nominating Committee was to be commended for
88 doing a very professional job. The Board agreed.

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90 MOTION: Pam Rubio moved and Mary Lou Roberts seconded to approve the revised
91 contract that the Technical Resources Committee has submitted for creation of the NCA
92 database development using Ascent Systems. The motion passed unanimously.

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94 Mary W. Price was excused to leave the meeting at 10:25 p.m.

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96 Sue Marino reported that the Working Dog Committee will meet next week and will be
97 finalizing the revision of the judges' qualifications.

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99 At 11:00 p.m. Kathy McIver moved and Sue Marino seconded to go into Executive
100 Session for the purpose of approving membership applications for publication and to
101 discuss committee appointments. The motion passed unanimously. The Board came
102 out of Executive Session at 11:30 p.m.

103 104 **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

105 While in Executive Session the Board approved for publication the membership
106 applicants list of July 19, 2007 with the exception of one which was held in abeyance
107 and several which were returned to the Membership Chair which needed additional
108 sponsorship information.

109 110 **NEW BUSINESS (held over from June meeting)**

111 *Mary Lou Roberts*

- 112 1. Key file/document storage and retention. – held over for August teleconference
113 meeting.
- 114 2. Electronic Newsletter – held over for August teleconference meeting.

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116 MOTION: Mary Lou Roberts moved and Sue Marino seconded establish, beginning in
117 2008, an additional ROM designation, called the ROM-Open, that will be awarded to
118 any dog/bitch that has met the already-established ROM criteria but which also has all
119 of its test results, regardless of status, for hips, elbows, heart, and cystinuria, posted in
120 a publicly accessible, open database. (This will include the OFA database as well as
121 other databases that might be made publicly available in the future, including an NCA
122 database.) This award, which will be given in the form of a certificate on parchment-like
123 paper and awarded at the Annual Meeting of the Membership, does not in any way
124 change the existing or qualification for the existing ROM award. Recipients of this award
125 will be listed in *Newf Tide* in a one- to two-page article each year, listing the dogs'
126 information, the breeders/owners, and including text that explains the additional level of
127 award and highlights the importance of the posting of all test results. Photographs of
128 each dog receiving the award will not be included with this article. Current *Newf Tide*
129 policy regarding the publication of the old ROM award will not change.

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131 Qualification for the ROM-Open award can be grandfathered to dogs already holding
132 the ROM award if the breeder meets the posting criteria at any time in the future. As
133 suggested by the Steering Committee, appropriate dates for the onset of the inclusion of
134 these tests will be established by the Health & Longevity Committee no later than

135 September 1, 2007. (Note: ROMs earned prior to the first appropriate health test date
136 will not be eligible for the ROM-Open award.)
137 An article announcing the ROM-Open award will be prepared for the 3Q07 issue of
138 *Newf Tide*, allowing owners to submit the appropriate test results prior to December 31,
139 2007.
140 The motion failed.

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142 MOTION: Jacqueline Brellochs moved and Pam Rubio seconded to create a new NCA
143 award for dogs owned by NCA members. The dogs must have a minimum of hips,
144 elbows, cystinuria, and heart (tested by a cardiologist) listed in an open database to be
145 eligible for the award. Owners of the dogs must apply for the award and submit proof of
146 such listings. Details of such award will be discussed at the August teleconference
147 meeting of the Board. The motion passed unanimously.

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149 *Jacqueline Brellochs*
150 NCA's official logo is copyrighted. There was discussion about the NCA logo and the
151 variations that have appeared in various publications in the past. The original dye for
152 the logo needs to be located.

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154 **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

155 Jacqueline Brellochs: AKC's Life Achievement Awards -- Each member club may vote
156 for one of three nominees in each of three categories conformation, companion events,
157 and performance. The deadline for submitting names has passed. Jacqueline will send
158 biographies for the August agenda packet; board will vote them; due early September.

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160 **ADJOURNMENT**

161 Barbara Finch moved and Pam Rubio seconded to adjourn at 12:30 a.m. EDT. The
162 motion passed unanimously.

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164 The next teleconference meeting of the Board of Directors will be August 16, 2007 at
165 8:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time.

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167 Respectfully Submitted,

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169 Cathy L. Sands
170 NCA Recording Secretary

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