Newfoundland Club of America, Inc.

Board of Directors Teleconference Meeting
April 19, 2006

Agenda

Approval of the Minutes of last meeting
• March 27-28, 2006 Face to Face Meeting of the Board minutes (under separate cover)
• March 28, 2006 Annual Membership Meeting minutes (under separate cover)
• March 29, 2006 Annual Meeting of the Board minutes (under separate cover)

President’s Report (Roger Frey)

1st Vice-President’s Report (Sandee Lovett)

2nd Vice-President’s Report (Mary Lou Roberts)
• (Committee information under separate cover)
• Discuss process for notifying appointees and committee chairs of appointments and changes to committees.

Recording Secretary’s Report (Cathy L Sands)
• Former Recording Secretary has asked permission to destroy ballots and envelopes from the last election.

Corresponding Secretary’s Report (Jacqueline Brellochs)
• Detail of correspondence received and items responded to

Treasurer’s Report (Mary L. Price)
• Clarification of effective date for new member renewals.

AKC Delegate’s Report (Mary W. Price)

Committee Reports
• Newf Tide update regarding publisher (Aura Dean)
• Comments on the new website design (Mary Lou Roberts)

Executive Session
• Letter received
• Membership Applications

New Business
1. **MOTION:** The WDC operate under the old judge qualification rules until we hear of a new proposal from the WDC, and that we inform the regional clubs of the temporary suspension of the new judge qualifications (Pam Rubio)

**RATIONALE:** At the Annual meeting the Board was asked to suspend the new changes to the Working Dog Judge Qualifications. The Board deferred to the WDC and a meeting was held. Sandee Lovett facilitated and Cheryl Dondino took notes. The meeting was well attended, with many positive suggestions put forth. I'm sure the WDC will be making a recommendation based on those suggestions; but until that time the regional clubs are still saddled with these new judge qualifications, making it extremely difficult to put together a judging panel for the tests this year. Bear in mind that clubs need to get applications in 4 months before their events.

2. **MOTION:** Make the membership application/procedure more user friendly. (Cathy L. Sands)

**RATIONALE:** The current application and sponsorship forms seem to me to be very cumbersome. The membership has expressed much dissatisfaction about the current process. If the board agrees I would suggest that we turn this issue over to the membership chairperson for review and recommendations.

3. **MOTION:** Have the NCA pay for rosettes to be given to all new VNs at the National Specialty, and have this coordinated through the Versatile Newfoundland Committee. (Mary Lou Roberts)

**Old Business**

1. **AKC Draft Program** Condensed Report (3 pages) (Sandee Lovett)

2. **Meeting Schedule:** At the 2004 fall face-to-face meeting, the Board agreed to the principal of setting a fixed date (e.g., 3rd Thursday of each month) for its teleconferences, but we have never acted on that. Motion: Set a fixed date -- or at least a fixed schedule in advance -- around which everyone can plan. (Mary Lou Roberts)

3. **Discussion:** To clarify the following motion: (Kathy McIver) "Jacqueline Brellochs moved and Kevin Gallagher seconded to establish an online "Whelping Box" on the NCA website to let those looking for a Newfoundland find reputable breeders with puppies and/or adult Newfs available. The motion passed."

**FYI**

1. **Discussion:** Leadership skills for Effective Governance (Kathy McIver) (attachment)

2. Samples from print broker

3. Breeder Symposium in San Francisco: possibility of sending Pam Rubio (Healthy & Longevity Committee) & Kathy McIver (Breeder’s Education Committee) to symposium.

**Adjournment**