



Bulletin Board

Newfoundland Club of America Board of Directors

Regular Monthly Tele/Video Conference Meeting

Thursday, July 21, 2022.

All times Eastern Daylight Time

(In an effort for prompt 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 when approved.)

NCA Board of Directors: Lynne Anderson-Powell (LA), Steve Britton (SB), John Cornell (JC), Mary Lou Cuddy (MLC), Sue Marino (SM), Mary L. Price (MLP), Stacy Roderick (SR), Pam Rubio (PR), Pam Saunders (PS), Katie Sidesinger (KS), Donna Thibault (DT); Susan Wagner (SW) and Dave Helming, AKC delegate.

President John Cornell called the meeting to order at 8:01 p.m. and Recording Secretary Steve Britton was present.

Other board members who answered the meeting roll call: Lynne Anderson Powell, Mary Lou Cuddy, Mary L. Price, Pam Rubio, Pam Saunders, Katie Sidesinger, Donna Thibault and Susan Wagner.

AKC Delegate David Helming answered the roll call and was present for a portion of the meeting.

Sue Marino joined the meeting at 8:32 p.m. and Stacy Roderick joined the meeting at 8:34 p.m.

The following committee chairs or volunteer consultants reported at the meeting:

Robin Seaman-Grenier, chair of the National Specialty Show Committee, joined the meeting at 9:00 p.m.; Nicki Dobson, volunteer marketing and sales consultant joined the meeting at 9:30 p.m.; Bill Matlock, chair of the *Ad-hoc* Marketing and Sales Committee joined the meet at 9:35 p.m., Mary Lou Zimmerman, chair of the Steering Committee joined the meeting at 9:53 p.m., Denise Castonguay, Judges Education Committee chair, joined at 10:15 p.m. and Susan Raney, Working Dog Committee chair, joined the meeting at 10:30 p.m.

Steve Britton moved and Mary Lou Cuddy seconded to refer the new AKC EDDY Award information to the NCA Breeder Education Committee to prepare a presentation to submit for the AKC EDDY Award. The board approved the motion without objection. (Absent: Sue Marino and Stacy Roderick)

Steve Britton moved and Pam Saunders seconded to authorize Lynne Anderson-Powell, to engage Marylou Zimmerman, Technical Resources, to provide assistance to the Breeder Education Committee regarding the AKC EDDY Award. The board approved the motion without objection. (Absent: Sue Marino and Stacy Roderick)

Steve Britton moved and Mary Lou Cuddy seconded to postpone consideration relating to the pending AKC dog show rule amendment about awarding majors based on group placements to its August 18, 2022 meeting. The board of directors adopted the motion without objection. (Absent: Sue Marino and Stacy Roderick)

The minutes of the July 16, 2022 regular and the July 30, 2022 special meetings were approved as amended. (Absent: Sue Marino and Stacy Roderick)

The board ratified action taken by unanimous written consent on publishing new member applications. (Absent: Sue Marino and Stacy Roderick)

The following notice will appear in *Newf Tide*:

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For distribution

Notice

At its June 30, 2022 meeting, the board of directors agreed to begin publishing new member application notices in **e-Notes**, the NCA's electronic newsletter, beginning November 2, 2022. The NCA will discontinue publishing new member application notices in **Newf Tide**, the club's quarterly magazine, beginning with the first quarter 2023 issue. The list of applicants is available upon request from the membership chair for members who do not receive **e-Notes**. **This notification affects only new member application notices.**

Steve Britton moved and Pam Rubio seconded to amend a motion adopted at a Board of Directors Face-to-face meeting held May 9, 2022, to convene the Board's 2022 Fall Face-to-face meeting at the Sonesta Chicago O'Hare Airport Rosemont (formerly known as the Holiday Inn & Suites Chicago O'Hare Rosemont) October 14 – 16, 2022. The board of directors adopted the amendment without objection.

Mary Lou Cuddy moved and Donna Thibault seconded to authorize Mary Lou Zimmerman, Technical Resources, to send a reminder through the NCA's *Constant Contact* account to participate in the *OFA Newfoundland Health Survey*. The motion was adopted without objection.

Mary Lou Cuddy moved and Pam Saunders seconded to refer a proposal to the NCA Membership Engagement Committee to invite non-NCA members who donate to the NCA Charitable Trust to apply for membership in the Newfoundland Club of America. The board of directors adopted the motion without objection.

President John Cornell assumed a motion to Table a proposal about a Breeder Education Committee Mister Mover educational program grant proposal. The motion to table was adopted without objection.

President John Cornell assumed a motion to Take From the Table a proposal about a Breeder Education Committee Mister Mover educational program grant proposal. The motion to Take From the Table was adopted without objection.

Steve Britton moved and Pam Rubio seconded to approve the Breeder Education Committee's request to apply for a NCA Charitable Trust Educational Fund grant for funding a Mister Mover educational seminar scheduled at this fall's Triple Crown Regional Specialties in Maryland. The board of directors approved the committee's request to apply for a grant with the NCA Charitable Trust without objection.

Donna Thibault moved and Lynne Anderson-Powell seconded to approve a request from the Steering Committee to launch a Five-year member survey through all available communication channels. The board of directors approved the request without objection.

Donna Thibault moved and Lynne Anderson-Powell seconded to refer the following question to the Specialty Show Committee: Investigate other methods to publish historical information and to reduce the number of pages contained annually in the National Specialty Show Catalog. The board of directors adopted the motion without objection.

Steve Britton moved to forward the draft Harassment Policy to the Governing Documents Committee. The board of directors adopted the motion without objection.

Denise Castonguay joined the meeting, and without objection, the board of directors entered executive session.

When Denise Castonguay left the meeting, without objection, the board of directors returned to regular session.

Sue Raney, chair of the NCA Working Dog Committee, joined the meeting.

Pam Saunders moved and Sue Marino seconded that in response to a recent request from a member, the board of directors deny the request and further, it NOT amend the current Draft or Water Test regulations to accommodate participation of unregistered Newfoundlands in NCA sanctioned water and draft tests or trials. The board of directors adopted the motion without objection.

After Sue Raney left the meeting, the board of directors returned to executive session without objection.

While in executive session, the board of directors took the following actions:

- Receive the report of the Membership Chairman.
- Instructed the recording secretary to write a letter responding to NCA member Priscilla Hensel.
- Concurred with a report it received from Shauna Bryant, chair of the NCA Health and Longevity Committee. The NCA will only host a DNA clinic at the 2023 National Specialty. The next opportunity to host cardiac or ophthalmology clinics at a National Specialty will occur in 2024.
- Consideration for removing a member from a standing committee was postponed to the regular August 18, 2022 Board of Directors meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 11:37 p.m.