

North Central Newfoundland Club

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

January 29, 2011

The Board Meeting was held at Pat's Pizza Grayslake, IL

Present: C. Sullivan, C. Hartke, S. Nummer, T. Bertrand J. Jackman, J. Mertens, K. Van Wie, L. Larsen

Absent: C. Brigham

The meeting was called to order at 10:41am.

Pres. Sullivan asked for a consensus of the board to go into Executive Session at 12:15pm and conclude the regular board meeting at 12:45pm. A consensus was reached on Pres. Sullivan's request.

Pres. Sullivan noted that C. Hartke received an update from J. Gunn regarding dates for the Water Seminar. The water seminar will be a one day event.

A motion was made by J. Jackman to accept the December 2, 2010 board minutes. Seconded by C. Hartke. All in favor the motion carried. The minutes were approved as amended.

President's Report: Pres. Sullivan stated the need to approve the appointment of Kathy Van Wie. With the lack of time to officially appoint her at the Dec. 2010 Board meeting, her appointment needed to be completed at this meeting. With a consensus of the board, Kathy Van Wie was appointed as chair of the Nominating Committee. K. Van Wie stated the nominating committee members are Russ Nummer and Dona Baker.

C. Sullivan reported that the 2nd signature was completed for the Rescue account in December. All monies from Newfiepalooza and donations for rescue via membership renewals have gone into the rescue account and the designated accounts.

Secretary Report: No report at this time.

Treasurer's Report: C. Brigham was not present at the meeting. At her request, J. Mertens handled out her treasurer's report. C. Sullivan questioned a banking fee of \$9.95. As the treasurer was absent from this meeting, no answer was given at this time. C. Sullivan asked if the refund check was received for Ed Day site rental. J. Mertens stated that it had not been received. C. Sullivan asked T. Meeker, Ed Day chair if a refund check had been issued. He stated a refund check was sent to him by mistake. He further stated that instead of asking for another check issued to NCNC from the Heller Center, he would give his personal check to NCNC for the refund amount. C. Sullivan reported she obtained a certified copy of the club's Articles of Incorporation. She also made calls to the IRS to inquire what our tax status was. She reported NCNC is a 501C7

L. Larsen motioned to accept the treasurer's report. Seconded by T. Bertrand. All in favor the treasurer's report was accepted.

Winter Walk: C. Hartke stated that the event has been published in the newsletter. At present she had not received many RSVP's. She will send out reminders and ask members to RSVP so she can plan more accurately the amount of refreshments needed. Food and refreshments donations are being offered and she thanked members for those donations. Plans for Winter Walk are well in progress. She will have maps for the location available for the NCNC web site. She asked if an endorsement has been secured. C. Sullivan stated she has received the endorsement, however she still needs some specific details to complete the paperwork. C. Hartke stated that she expected to come well under the budget of \$100.00.

Newfiepalooza: No report given

Regional: C. Sullivan requested the board consider whether the club will sponsor the Best of Breed trophy both days of the Regional. She stated the club has sponsored Best of Breed in the past. After brief discussion, J. Mertens motioned for NCNC to sponsor the Best of Breed trophy both days of the Regional. T. Bertrand seconded. All in favor the motion carried.

J. Jackman stated that plans are progressing well for the Regional. Yorkville KC will provide the Regional with a chief ring steward for both days, we have accepted their offer of a chief ring steward.

The Regional Facebook page is up and running with information to be updated regularly. In addition, the Regional Logo T-shirt form is on both the NCNC web site and a link on the Regional Facebook page. The Scissor raffle information is also available. Sales for the scissor raffle are going very well! We have wonderful brown bag and silent auction items coming in on a daily basis. The Facebook page will list those items. It should be noted we have items that will be available that are not breed specific. Barb and Jack Rozner are doing a wonderful job in gathering brown bag and silent auction items.

As of this time, C. Hartke stated trophy sponsorship is over 50%. Trophies are going quickly, please check with Cathy to sponsor a trophy. C. Hartke asked that anyone please let her know if a sponsorship is a memorial.

Policy and Procedures: R. Nummer stated the board has asked for a policy on the judge issue, yet as of this time there has been no resolution or direction from the board. His committee is waiting for board direction on this issue. Discussion followed. After a lengthy discussion J. Mertens suggested the board revisit this issue at a later date.

C. Sullivan requested the P & P committee to draft language for a policy on formal bank statements for all accounts to be available at each board meeting for review and that those statements be placed in a file. Discussion followed.

Water Seminar: J. Gunn stated the Water Seminar will be a one day event. She anticipates a full seminar with 20 individuals paying \$20.00 each. She felt there would be minimal expenses and the budget would be about \$100.00. She plans to sell rope kits to bring in money.

Water Test: This year's test will be a 2 day event, she explained that in past years there has been a waiting list not only for NCNC's water test, but for other Regional clubs as well. She projects the 2011 test to be a full test. She outlined her budget. Anticipating a full test, exhibitor fees would bring in \$1,500. In all, the budget would come to \$3,400. Discussion followed. After discussion J. Mertens motioned to accept the water test budget as submitted. C. Hartke seconded. All in favor, the motion carried.

Picnic: J. Mertens stated he has reserved space for the picnic site. The location is at Bristol Woods, WI.

Ice Cream Social: C. Sullivan stated at present there is no chair for this event. J. Mertens suggested this event be placed on a future agenda.

Draft Test: L. Larsen stated the Nippersink site has been reserved and a permit obtained. Her budget will be presented at the April board meeting.

Halloween Event: S. Nummer stated her idea for a Halloween party was strictly for a fun time for everyone. She received a lot of positive feedback in response to holding this event. She stated she would not be able to chair this event, but would volunteer on the committee. Discussion followed. After discussion this event will be discussed at a future meeting.

Ed Day: T. Meeker stated he is looking into ideas for the 2011 event. He hopes to have a budget to submit for the April Board meeting. As of this date he has not submitted receipts for the 2010 Ed Day.

Rescue: M. Price was unable to attend the meeting due to her mother's illness. She submitted bank statements to the board. It is noted \$505.00 was donated on behalf of the memory of T. Bertrand's mother, Katie. As previously stated, all Newfiepalooza monies have been sent to the rescue account and the various designated accounts. An additional note: The CD is due for renewal February 14th. The name currently on the CD needs to be updated by the board and once the name has been updated, M. Price requests to be notified of that change.

National Specialty Research Committee: R. Nummer is searching for one last person to fill out his committee. Once that person is selected, he will update the board on the committee's findings.

Unfinished Business: North Central Facebook Page: C. Hartke updated the board on the status of the Facebook page. She stated the need for control over the content of the page. She provided a hand out of items currently seen on the page, one of which is a diet ad. She stressed the need for continual monitoring, so spam items do not appear on the page. She suggested K. Clancy may be a person to administer the Facebook page. Alternatively, C. Hartke will volunteer to administer the NCNC facebook page. Discussion followed. With a consensus of the board C. Hartke will contact K. Clancy to see if she is able to administer the NCNC facebook page. An alternative would be for K. Clancy and C. Hartke to be co-administrators of the account, or C. Hartke would volunteer to take on the administrator role.

Puppy Buyer/Litter Listings on Web Site: A lengthy discussion took place. With limited time to continue the discussion, it was decided this topic needs more discussion and will be continued at a future meeting.

J. Mertens motioned to go into Executive Session. Seconded by T. Bertrand.

At 12:15pm the Board went into Executive Session. The Board came out of Executive Session at 12:45pm.

As a result of Executive Session the dates for the 2012 Regional Specialty were approved.

As a result of Executive Session Amy and Todd Nathan's membership was approved.

At 12:46pm J. Mertens motioned to resume the regular board meeting. C. Hartke seconded.

J. Mertens motioned to accept the dates for the 2012 Regional Specialty. Seconded by L. Larsen. All in favor the motion carried.

New members: J. Mertens motioned to accept Amy and Todd Nathan. C. Hartke seconded. All in favor the motion carried.

L. Larsen motioned to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by J. Mertens. All in favor, the meeting adjourned at 12: 50pm.

Respectfully submitted by,

Sharon Nummer

NCNC Secretary