

North Central Newfoundland Club

BOARD MEETING

February 13, 2014

The Board Meeting was held at The Palatine Inn in Palatine, IL

The meeting was called to order at 6:22pm.

Present: C. Hartke, T. Bertrand, M. Bertrand, S. Nummer, J. Jackman, J. Mertens, A. Corvillion, D. Burke, M. Reggie.

The minutes from the Dec. 10, 2013 meeting were presented. It was noted the meeting date was incorrect for the minutes.

M. Bertrand motioned to accept the minutes, T. Bertrand seconded the motion. With all in favor the minutes were accepted as amended.

**Secretary Report:** No report at this time.

**Treasurer's Report:** M. Bertrand presented his report.

For the reporting period of December 10, 2013 to February 13, 2014:

Beginning balance December 10, 2013: \$23,817.57

Ending Balance February 13, 2014: \$20,770.78

Income from all sources during reporting period: \$478.00

Expense during reporting period: \$3524.79

Rescue donations received with dues so far: \$144.00

T. Bertrand motioned to accept the treasurer's report. A. Corvillion seconded and with all in favor the motion carried.

**Rescue:** M. Price sent her report via email.

Checking account:

Previous balance as of December 31, 2013: \$10,373.81

Ending balance as of January 31, 2014: \$10,688.81

M. Price reported that currently there are no Newfs in our foster care. Several owners are being counseled concerning health and behavior problems.

Newfs recently placed include: Ashley, Duchess, Niki.

Other Newfs assisted by NCNC include: Zeus, Bogart, Gracie, Sofie, Lucas, Max, Lucy, and Bear.

Since the last rescue report: Twenty nine applications were sent to potential adopters. M. Price stated once again, foster care is very limited but always needed.

**Picnic:** J. Mertens stated a grove in Half Day Hills has been reserved.

**Draft Test:** D. Burke stated M. Burke will take over as draft test chair. Her committee consists of: C. Sullivan Chief Steward, T. Bertrand, Hospitality and D. Burke, Test Secretary.

Lengthy discussion followed. After discussion, J. Mertens motioned to make the draft test a 2 day event. M. Bertrand seconded the motion. With all in favor, the motion carried.

**Water Test:** No report was submitted, however, the site has been reserved and the contract has been signed.

**Water Seminar:** J. Jackman stated the water seminar will be held June 28 from 9-4 at Lake Andrea Pleasant Prairie, WI. Jr and Sr. exercises will be taught. Entry fee is \$25.00/ dog. An 8 foot leash will be given to participants as well as a packet of information. Reservation for the site was \$110.00.

**Ed Day:** Plans are in place.

**Newfiepalooza:** K. Sudholz emailed her extensive report. Her committee is in place and plans are proceeding.

**Policy & Procedures:** No report at this time.

**Legislative:** No report at this time.

**Newsletter:** No report at the time.

**Bylaws:** A final review and discussion of the proposed changes to the bylaws took place. After discussion, M. Bertrand motioned to change the quorum to 15%. A. Corvillion seconded the motion. With all in favor the motion carried.

After the final corrections are made the bylaws will be sent to NCA for approval.

**Judges Selection Committee:** No report at the time.

**Regional:** No report at this time.

**Nominating Committee:** T. Bertrand reported that potential candidates are being contacted.

**Unfinished Business:**

**Trailer:** The trailer remains at J. Merten's home. It will be organized by J. Jackman and J. Mertens.

**NCA Opening Ceremony:** D. Jackman is formulating some ideas, but is also looking for ideas from members.

**National Catalog Ad:** J. Mertens presented a draft of an ad for the catalog. With discussion, revisions were made. M. Reggie will present the final copy of our ad for approval by the board.

**Event Manuals:** J. Mertens distributed binders to event chairs present at the board meeting. Each chair will work on a description of procedures for their event. It will be handed down to future chairs as a working guide.

M. Bertrand motioned to go into Executive Session at 8:22pm. Seconded by T. Bertrand. With all in favor the motion carried.

At 8:56pm the board came out of Executive Session and resumed the meeting.

**New Business:**

**Member Outreach Program:** A discussion took place to generate ideas to increase member involvement in the club.

**501c3:** A brief discussion took place regarding the details of having a 501c3. This item will be revisited at a later date.

**Web Site:** J. Mertens and D. Burke presented some ideas for changes to the web site. Discussion followed.

**New Fundraiser:** T. Bertrand presented a fundraiser idea. A rhinestone t-shirt will be offered with 2 design options. With each t-shirt ordered, the club will receive \$5.00. Details will be available on the web site as well as on the club Facebook page.

**New Members:** J. Mertens motioned and T. Bertrand seconded to approve the following new members: Jenny & Tony Shimka, Ashley Gaer and Andrew Knoop.

**Next Board Meeting:** The next board meeting will be held on July 15 in Winfield, IL.

With no further business before the board, J. Mertens motioned to adjourn the meeting. M. Bertrand seconded the motion. With all in favor, the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:28pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Nummer

NCNC Secretary

