

**Board of Directors Meeting
Phone Conference
May 16, 2019**

Present: Patty Koller, Campbell Forsyth, Randy Mooney, Jeff Christiansen, Sonny Mahurin, Carrie Pottinger

Patty Koller moved to approve the April minutes as submitted, Randy seconded. Motion carried.

President's Report

- We are moving forward with the Finals.
 - We have a few more sponsors.
 - The cattle are secured.
 - If we can find more sponsors, that would be great.
 - We need items for the auction.
 - Discussion about hiring more help so that the Directors are not run down all day long.
 - We need to ensure we are properly staffed and all Board members agreed.
 - Discussion about payouts and ensuring that there are equitable payments that also covers the expenses for each class.
 - Reviewed the budget and not set in stone, still need to work through once the final entries are received.

Treasurer's Report

- Carrie Pottinger mentioned that the major difference from the last meeting is that the Futurity was paid out last week.
- A few minor expenses for the Finals have already been paid out such as porta potties and the deposit to Laramie County Fair.

Old Business

- Election update
 - Tim Feddes won the election for the Mountain Region.
 - He will be installed at the Annual Meeting at the Finals.
- **Finals Update**
 - Entries as of 5/15/19
 - What to do with entries on the wait list?
 - There are pros and cons to increasing the # of entries allowed.
 - Discussion proceeded.
 - Steve Knipmeyer motioned to let the waiting list in for Nursery and Intermediate as it currently stands.
 - Randy Mooney seconded. Discussion occurred.
 - It was decided to have a roll call vote.
 - Campbell:Forsyth: Yes
 - Steve Knipmeyer: Yes
 - Jeff Christiansen: No
 - Randy Mooney: Yes
 - Patty Koller: No
 - Motion carried.

- Randy Mooney shared a course update.
 - Kevin Lippe and Marvin Daniel are on the Open and Nursery Committee and have the course planned and ready.
 - Will get the obstacles decided and the course up on the website before the Finals.
- Carrie Pottinger Update/Request
 - Request for approval to purchase souvenir caps for the Finals.
 - Sold about 40 last year.
 - Recommend buying 48 (four dozen).
 - This will be the only souvenir we will have.
 - Campbell Forsyth motioned that we purchase four dozen hats for Cheyenne. Patty Koller seconded. Motion carried.
- Food vendor
 - Breakfast & lunch will be available throughout the Finals.
 - They will also cover as the drink vendor on June 12 and 13.
 - It was tough to find a food vendor, please support the food vendor throughout the Finals so that they are willing to come back.

New Business

- Move up
 - The NCA in helping support local associations and keeping a level playing field within the trial community will recognize and support all local organizations and their rules of moving handlers from the Novice and the Intermediate class.
 - Rules include the dog of year points for first and second and also placement in the local association's finals of champion and reserve.
 - As always, local associations and hosts have the final say of who will run in each class, but the NCA will follow and implement these movements accordingly.
 - Discussion occurred. It was decided to table the discussion.
- Nursery Rules Discussion
 - The old Nursery will be implemented whereas:
 - if a Nursery age dog scores points in the Open class that dog is automatically eligible for National Finals
 - and will also receive Nursery points for those points scored in Open class.
 - In addition, Intermediates that wish to run in Nursery class and upon scoring points will also be awarded Intermediate points for scoring in the Nursery class.
 - Any Intermediate handlers that score in the top 30 percent of the end of year points in Nursery will move up as well as any Intermediate that makes it to final round of National Finals in Nursery will also be moved up.
 - Discussion occurred. It was decided to table the discussion.

Next meeting is Thursday, May 30, 2019.

Motion to adjourn by Campbell Forsyth. Patty Koller seconded.