

**Minutes**  
**National Cattledog Association**  
**Board of Directors Meeting**  
**WhatsApp Call – December 13th, 2023**

The meeting was called to order at approximately 7:00 MST (8:00 CST) by Verona Butler, President.

Board members present by roll call: Alex Hodge, Barry Breemersch, Bob Wagner, David Henry, Jeanne Bulkley, Joni Tietjen, Mike Collins, Verona Butler and Angie Brooks-executive secretary. Milt Scott was absent.

**Approval of the Agenda**

- Jeanne Bulkley moved that the agenda be approved. The motion was seconded by Joni Tietjen and approved unanimously.

**Minutes**

- Mike Collins moved that the minutes of the November 15th, 2023 meeting of the NCA board be approved. The motion was seconded by Mike Collins and approved unanimously.

**Treasurers Report**

- P&L and Balance sheet reports were sent out before the meeting. Bob Wagner presented the treasurers report, states “everything is still looking good, we are ahead of where we were last year on fundraising”. Jeanne Bulkley moved that the treasurers report be approved. The motion was seconded by Mike Collins and approved unanimously.

**Presidents Report**

- Verona Butler reported that Aimee Nelson has talked to the Mt Vernon, MO Area Chamber of Commerce and several local businesses in regards to fundraising. Jeremy McBride is talking to local businesses as well.

**Executive Secretary’s Report**

- Angie Brooks stated that everything is going well, not many trials being sanctioned but not unusual for November/December with the holidays.

**Old Business**

- Live-streaming the finals. Alex Hodge moved that the \$6700 bid from DTO to stream the field courses and the intermediate and novice finals be accepted. The motion was seconded by Jeanne Bulkley and approved unanimously.
- There was discussion about whether to accept Becca Barrons bid or to use local businesses for the booklet, bags, and banners. Alex Hodge moved that the NCA use Becca Barron for

the awards, program and banners, and the merchandise if she is able to attend. The motion was seconded by Jeanne Bulkley and approved unanimously.

- Fundraising ideas:
  - Joni Tietjen suggested a 'drawpot team fundraiser', after discussion Alex Hodge moved that the NCA have a drawpot fundraiser to raise money to cover the cost of the livestream. The cost will be \$100 per team, 50/50 split with 50% going to the NCA and 50% going to the people buying the top winning teams. The motion was seconded by Jeanne Bulkley and approved unanimously. Plans are to have a drawing sometime before the finals and those buying teams will find out what teams they have. The drawing will be livestreamed.
  - Verona Butler suggested that board members aim for raising \$1000 in their regions. Alex Hodge and Joni Tietjen reported fundraisers that they were considering.

### **New Business**

- Mike Collins stated that in his region the sanctioning fees may be preventing hosts from sanctioning their trials with the NCA. He also stated, "they already sanction with MSSA, it is maybe 800 miles to the MSSA finals and 2000 miles to Missouri from here." There was discussion of different options to increase interest on both the west coast and in Canada. Alex Hodge moved to reduce sanctioning fees in those regions until the end of the NCA trial year to see if it would increase interest. The motion was seconded by Mike Collins and approved unanimously.
- End of year awards: It was decided that the high points handlers from each class will receive a jacket this year.

### **Comments**

- Verona Butler encouraged board members to look at possible recipients for the HOF and distinguished service awards for this year.

Verona Butler, President, called for a motion to adjourn. Jeanne Bulkley moved that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was seconded by Alex Hodge and approved unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 10:33 MST(9:33 CST)

The next meeting of the NCA board is scheduled for Wednesday, January 10th, 2023 by WhatsApp conference.