Minutes of NZDJA Board Meeting held at Ardmore Grounds 15/4/18

Commenced: 9.15am

Present: K Finlayson (Acting Chair), L Diamanti, D Hull, L Strongman, M Lawrence

B Parker to arrive late due to flight changes

Apologies: R Greer K Hardwick

Moved L Diamanti seconded M Lawrence

Plan the next 4 F2F meetings for the year so board members can plan in advance these dates.

Minutes of the previous meeting were taken as read

Moved L Strongman seconded M Lawrence

Matters Arising:

Kirsty Hubbard JDH Chair Code of ethics to be sent to all Judges under NZDJA panel - to do this with the AGM notice All in favour

Treasurer to be confirmed - In the interim acting treasurer will be D Hull

Moved K Finlayson seconded L Strongman All in favour

Email from R Weaver to Treasurer - Write back and confirm your list of members financials which each branch needs to comply with as it forms part of the KPI's for funding. Treasurers email to all branches advising this.

L Strongman report was tabled and accepted. Board to look at future support person for newer judges. Action when required.

Moved L Strongman seconded L Diamanti - All in favour

Treasurer's report:

Payments for approval = Taxi for B Parker – Catering L Greer Moved K Finlayson/ L Strongman

General Business:

Theory Examinations

K Finlayson's report was tabled and discussed.

Last minute speciality papers - a vote of thanks for the quick turnaround.

As there is very little time for schedules to be in for Practical. Introduce 7 days to be added to anyone wanting a review on their paper or querying questions after receipt of the exam result. Vote of thanks to all who did papers - 78% pass rate total of 780 questions written - 7 questions queried (1%) overall the exam was very successful. Move to continue in same vein next year. No papers were set to in trap any candidates the focus is producing judge's for the international Arena and standard need to be high. One compliment received for the non-sporting paper the candidate congratulates the writers as they found the paper well written. M Lawrence to send out spreadsheet he developed for exam writing to other board members.

DVDs Approval to purchase list of DVDs Required Moved L Strongman seconded M Lawrence

Aust. Breed Standard Judges book by John Bryson's published. It was agreed this would be a good idea if adapted to New Zealand standards with photos to be approved by the board. Look at public sponsorship how we are to proceed along with this production. L Diamanti to follow up.

Tail Docking Ban -With the impending tail ban the board to request the Breed Standard Committee to look at descriptions of tail to be included in the standards and a direction for the judge's on how to judge those tails & the carriage of tails. Look at the country of origin and look at tail standards and if changed to adopt that standard. Write to them asking a face to face discussion ring of Doctor King of breeds and how we can reflect these changes 1 10 18 bored being proactive look at ANKC standard and review and implement.

Article Submitted to the Board on Pugs with request for credit points. Write back to referring them back to their branch for this to be submitted at a branch meeting for discussion and then it can be signed off by the branch co-ordinator.

Testicles discussion - The registry states that both testicles must be ascended by 6 months the Judges Regulations states that they must be descending by 9 months with regard to this being acceptable for all awards, many of the breed standards state there must be two descending testicles. Dogs NZ Kennel to look at the show regulations for this as this should be uniform. K Hardwick to bring up in general business at ACOD.

Note of thanks - Board wishes to thank L Greer for catering and being a taxi for the board members.

Manawatu Secretary's report circulated to all Manawatu members – this was left in the regional reps hands to deal with.

The structure of learning is set out at the AGM with those attendees on what they are requiring for the year and how to achieve those requirements for training etc.

Judges Travel Overseas - Before accepting a contract you will need to have already received approval from Dogs NZ via letter of your ratification to judge. It is imperative that you received this before accepting appointments.

South African Appointment Approval - Advise they need approval from Dogs NZ and also advise FCI's new requirements.

Resignations

W Dines L Hinton, A Phipps, I Smith Leave of absents for 12 months 31/1/2019

Judges Badges – there are a number of new members we are wishing to get badges to however with the change of name how are Dogs NZ or NZKC wanting us to proceed with the small number of badges left.

Judges Guide Currently in the process of being typed.

Training Learning Group M Lawrence, K Hardwick and D Hull – M Lawrence to touch base with S Rickard and look at what ANKC can offer and then complete a teleconference call to discuss.

Old Exam Papers K Finlayson to follow up with C Begg and L Chalmers.

Practicing Certificate Due to the short notice given to members to be advertised in our Newsletter due end of April a one off extension to 31st May 2018 with the expiry of 31/1/2020 is open to those wishing to apply. Certificate to produced and given out at conference or posted? R Williams and K Simmons approved.

How do we encourage people to come into the judging arena – Encompass the stewarding appointments with the aspiring criteria will reduce the entry level process by 1 year. No change to the Ribbon Parade or Open Show current criteria. Discuss at AGM

Practical Examination Auckland and Christchurch – Ray to approach members in Auckland & Christchurch as observers with a view to meeting the day before the Exams.

Last Year's Conference Report back on a working party and task force to address the regional representation – Discuss at the AGM and also get feedback from branches on how they see the regional representation works.

Website Members – members login section work in progress nearing completion.

Specialist Panel discussion.

AGM CONFERENCE

Form and function

Country of Origin

Brace Issues

Challenges or Lollies – L Strongman

L Strongman to find out about the program on rear breed standards

Lunch costs

Becky Murphy & Debra Anderson availability

Suggestion: T Borrell to complete a lecture on Chesapeake Bay Retrievers.

Remits – D Hull to complete recommendations and forward to L Diamanti & K Finlayson for editing.

Promotional credits for stewarding from the board

Passing a theory exam – pass should never be removed.

Meeting closed at 3.46pm

Next meeting Friday 22 June starting 9.30am.