



DOGS NEW SOUTH WALES

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS held in the Amenities Building of The Bill Spilstead Complex for Canine Affairs, 44 Luddenham Road, Erskine Park on WEDNESDAY 14 MAY 2008 at 2.00PM.

PRESENT: F Pieterse C Rafton
T Couchman B Daley
C Mann C Roberts
J Mulcahy E Daniels
L Warren-Powell F Hession
P Nordstrom L Healy
M Parker

IN ATTENDANCE: C Davis (CEO), V Gagan-Wilson (Secretariat Co-ordinator)

APOLOGIES: W Richards

MOVED J Mulcahy SECONDED C Mann
THAT the late item on the Agenda be received.

Unanimously **CARRIED**

MOVED E Daniels SECONDED C Mann
THAT all items on the Agenda be received.

CARRIED

3.5 **Item 3.13: Dogs NSW Regulations - Clarification**

Director T Couchman foreshadowed a motion to revoke the 2 sections of the Dogs NSW Regulations Part II-Show, which relate to allowing a person to enter and exhibit a Baby Puppy in a sanctioned show without being a financial member of Dogs NSW.

3.6 **Item 3.4: Stock Management – Ground Condition Report**

3.6.1 MOVED E Daniels SECONDED C Mann
THAT, depending on weather conditions over the next two weeks, a flock of 70 sheep be purchased and delivered by the end of May.

CARRIED

3.6.2 MOVED C Roberts SECONDED E Daniels
THAT Dogs NSW purchase 10–15 cows in calf as soon as possible.

CARRIED

3.7 **Item 3.5: Insurance – Voluntary Workers Cover**

MOVED T Couchman SECONDED P Nordstrom
THAT the Obedience & Tracking Committee be advised that the Board is inclined to retain Section 3 of Regulations Part VIII, but that Stewards be reminded of the option of Associate Membership.

CARRIED

4. **FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT:**

4.1 **Sighting of Accounts**

On sighting of the Payment of Accounts, the accounts were approved for payment.

4.2 **Recommendation 1: Financial Report 1/7/07 to 31/3/08**

MOVED E Daniels SECONDED C Mann
THAT the Financial Report, for the period 1 July 2007 to 31 March 2008, be approved.

CARRIED

4.3 **Recommendation 2: Work Stations – Office Furniture**

MOVED E Daniels SECONDED C Mann
THAT the CEO be approved to purchase the 3 complete second hand work stations to the maximum value of \$4,000.

CARRIED

4.4 **Recommendation 3: Reduction in Photocopying**

MOVED T Couchman SECONDED M Parker
THAT:-

- 4.1.1 all Committee Minutes and attachments and Agenda are to be sent via email (where possible);
- 4.1.2 all breed worksheets and extended standards for Conformation Judges Training Programs be placed on a CD for all candidates at the beginning of the training year;
- 4.1.3 all material for Members Education Courses be placed on a CD at the beginning of the Course and given to all candidates.

CARRIED

4.1.4 MOVED T Couchman SECONDED E Daniels
THAT the Chair of the Conformation Judges Committee and the Convenor of the Members Education Working Party be informed of the above as soon as possible to enable them as much time as possible to prepare the materials for the next Program/Course.

CARRIED

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7. **MONTHLY REPORTS:**

7.1 **Executive Committee**

7.1.1 2-2008: Rejection of Entries for the Deniliquin & District Kennel Club Shows – 19 & 20/4/08
This matter is overrun.

7.2 **Complex Fundraising Committee – 30/1/08**

7.2.1 **Item 7.1: Additional Committee Member**

MOVED E Daniels SECONDED C Rafton
THAT Mr K Robinson be approved as a member of the Complex Fundraising Committee.

CARRIED

MOVED E Daniels SECONDED C Rafton
THAT the Complex Fundraising Committee Minutes be approved.

CARRIED

7.3 **Complex Fundraising Committee – 17/3/08**

MOVED E Daniels SECONDED C Mann
THAT the Complex Fundraising Committee Minutes be approved.

CARRIED

7.4 **Show Committee – 15/4/08**

7.4.1 Aggressive Dog Reports x 2: Arawn Autumn Stone (4100151297) & Ch Schaferden Celtic Sun (3100155851)

MOVED T Couchman SECONDED E Daniels

THAT the Chair of the Show Committee be authorised to make arrangements for the temperament testing of the above 2 dogs, as well as German Shepherd dog, Abinitio Bobby Dazzler (2100251593) in the appropriate regions.

CARRIED

7.4.2 Item 4.3: Changes to Representative Reports

MOVED T Couchman SECONDED B Daley

THAT the advanced draft Representatives Report lay on table for the June 2008 Board meeting and any comments from Directors are to be provided to the Chair of the Show Committee as soon as possible.

CARRIED

7.4.3 Item 4.1: Entries at Shows

Director B Daley thanked the Show Committee for the preparation of such a comprehensive document as this has never been done before and will serve as a very useful tool.

7.4.4 Item 4.2: Register of Absentees

The Board agreed that Director T Couchman be requested to draft a Regulation, including rationale, that permits any exhibit under Best of Breed level to leave the show at their option without forfeiting any awards achieved in breed judging. Best In Group and all Class winners in Group will still be required to stay for General Specials, however, Runner Up In Group from the same Class as Best In Group will not be required to stay.

MOVED B Daley SECONDED C Mann

THAT the Show Committee Minutes be approved.

CARRIED

7.5 **Stewards & Representatives Committee – 16/4/08**

7.5.1 Item 5.1: Budget

MOVED E Daniels SECONDED B Daley

THAT the CEO respond to the Stewards & Representatives Committee asking for a of their idea as to what is considered to be an appropriate amount for their operating budget for the next 12 months.

CARRIED

MOVED T Couchman SECONDED B Daley

THAT the Stewards & Representatives Committee Minutes be approved.

CARRIED

7.6 **Conformation Judges Committee – 16/4/08**

7.6.1 Item 3.2: Conformation Judges Training Program Review Report

7.6.1.1 MOVED E Daniels SECONDED T Couchman

THAT the request by the Conformation Judges Committee to postpone its response on the Conformation Judges Training Program Review Report to the June 2008 Board meeting be approved.

CARRIED

7.6.1.2 MOVED E Daniels SECONDED J Mulcahy

THAT the Board postpone its decision to publish the Conformation Judges Training Program Review Report on website until Mr T Tancred's comments have been considered.

CARRIED

11. MOTIONS ON NOTICE FROM DIRECTORS

11.1 Conformation Judges Training Program Review

See item 7.6.1.4, above.

12. GENERAL BUSINESS

12.1 Promotional Issues

12.1.1 Media Spokesperson

MOVED J Mulcahy

SECONDED C Roberts

THAT Dogs NSW accepts Dr Peter Higgins offer to act as a Public Relations Spokesperson for Dogs NSW, on a voluntary basis, on a trial basis for 6 months and then review.

CARRIED

12.1.2 ACAC

MOVED E Daniels

SECONDED B Daley

THAT the Board considers an “in principle” approach to developing our involvement and relationship with ACAC whilst reserving Dogs NSW position in relation to making such independent submissions regarding animal welfare issues as it sees appropriate.

CARRIED

12.2 Donation by Sgt Brendon Yate

A framed photo of the Australian National Flag carried on a RAAF Hercules on a combat mission into Afghanistan and Iraq for Dogs NSW, March 2007, which was presented to Director F Hession at the Anzac Day Show

MOVED E Daniels

SECONDED C Roberts

THAT the CEO writes to Mr Yate and thanks him for his kind donation.

CARRIED

12.3 Journal

Director P Nordstrom requested the Board be provided with a comprehensive report on what the current Journal is costing. This information will be included in the next Finance Committee report.

MEETING CLOSED: 5.00pm

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday 11 June 2008 @ 2.00pm