

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 Orchard Hills on WEDNESDAY 9 August 2017 at 2.00PM.

The CEO introduced Miss Rebecca Kal to the Directors. Rebecca has been appointed to the role of Personal Assistant to the CEO.

The President requested that Directors assist with ensuring a productive meeting.

PRESENT: L Brown F Hession

J Sheppard G Spagnolo
E Pickering J Seary
V Etherington OAM N Keck
L Brand M Wheeler
E Gunter P Cutler
R Britten A Lee

M Arthur

IN ATTENDANCE: V Gagan-Wilson (CEO), R Kal (PA)

APOLOGIES: NIL

...IN CAMERA...

1. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

MOVED J Seary SECONDED L Brand

THAT the Minutes of the Board of Directors meeting, held on 12 July 2017, be CONFIRMED.

<u>CARRIED</u>

2. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

3. JUDICIAL MATTERS

3.1.2 **DAP Minutes – 3/8/2017**

MOVED E Pickering SECONDED P Cutler **THAT** the Minutes of the Disputes Assessment Panel be **RECEIVED**.

CARRIED

4. GENERAL BUSINESS TO BE DEALT WITH IN CAMERA

4.1 Executive Committee Decisions

4.1.1 ECD No.18/2017 - Show Date Approvals - WITHDRAWN

MOVED V Etherington OAM SECONDED P Cutler

THAT the **WITHDRAWAL** of ECD NO.18/2017 be **NOTED**.

CARRIED

MOVED V Etherington OAM SECONDED P Cutler

THAT the following Executive Committee decisions be ENDORSED:-

4.1.2 ECD No.18A/2017 – Bulli District Kennel Club Show Date

THAT the decision of the Executive Committee to approve the application from Bulli District Kennel Club to change the date of their show (from the 23rd Sunday, ie, 10 June 2018) to the **3**rd **Saturday**, ie, **20 January** for **2018** and **beyond**, be **ENDORSED**.

4.1.3 ECD No.19/2017 – Dogs NSW DWD Submission for ANKC Ltd Rules Review

THAT the decision of the Executive Committee to approve the submission of Review of Rules for the Conduct of Dances With Dogs Competitions for onforwarding to ANKC Ltd, be **ENDORSED.**

CARRIED

4.4 Dispensation from MEPP

4.4.1 Notice of Motion – A Morrison

MOVED E Gunter SECONDED R Britten **THAT** Regulations Part I & IA-The Register & Registration, Clause 11.2, which reads as follows:-

11.2 Effective from 1 July 2014:- (11/13)

An application for registration of a prefix may be submitted to the Secretary, Dogs NSW, at any time after the applicant has achieved a period of twelve months continuous membership and consideration of any such application and granting of a Prefix shall be subjected to the following prerequisite requirements:-

- (a) the application must be on such duly completed application form and be accompanied by such fee as the Board of Directors may, from time to time, require and will enrol the applicant in the online Dogs NSW Members Education Prefix Program.
- (b) the applicant passing a written examination in the said Prefix Program which will only be made available to the applicant at the discretion of Dogs NSW between six and twelve months after enrolment.
- (c) inspection of the applicant's premises by an Inspector authorised by the Board of Directors to ensure that they meet the standards required by the Regulations. Such inspection will not be carried out until such time as the Applicant has achieved a pass in the Prefix Program examination.
- (d) be subject to the approval of the Australian National Kennel Council Ltd, whose decision shall be final and binding on all members.

Any Member who has passed the written examination in the full Dogs NSW Members Education Program shall be exempt from undertaking the online Dogs NSW Members Education Prefix Program and its related examination. (11/14)

Be amended by the addition of the following paragraph:-

A Member Body The Board of Dogs NSW may consider for approval an application from an applicant over the age of eighteen (18) years, who otherwise would not qualify under Regulations 11.2, above, provided such applicant demonstrates an active involvement in relevant canine breeding activities and can supply such evidence.

CARRIED

M Wheeler, M Arthur against

MOVED J Seary SECONDED R Britten **THAT** the above additional paragraph be amended as follows:-

Remove "A Member Body"
Replace with "The Board of Dogs NSW"

CARRIED

MOVED P Cutler

SECONDED L Brand

THAT the report from the Chair of the Conformation Judges Training Committee be received.

CARRIED

4.6 Honours Working Party

R Britten left the meeting @ 2.45pm

The Chair read to the meeting the recommendations of the Honours Working Party:-

MOVED P Cutler

SECONDED L Brand

THAT the nomination for Mr Russell Britten for a Life Membership Award be APPROVED.

CARRIED

unanimously

R Britten returned to the meeting @ 2.55pm

The Board congratulated Director Britten on being awarded Life Membership and requested he keep his award confidential until the presentation at lunchtime on the Saturday of the Spring Fair when the Governor of NSW is in attendance.

4.7 Animal Welfare & Community Liaison Officer's Report

MOVED R Britten

SECONDED P Cutler

THAT the Executive Committee **set up a meeting** with the AWCLO to discuss the Animal Welfare Code of Practice for keeping of dogs and that Dr K Hedberg BVSc be requested to attend that meeting.

CARRIED

MOVED P Cutler

SECONDED E Gunter

THAT the Report of the AWCLO be **RECEIVED**.

Meeting recessed @ 3.40pm Meeting resumed @ 4.00pm

MOVED E Gunter

SECONDED J Sheppard

THAT the Show Committee be requested to prepare a **Gazette Notice** outlining for all Secretaries the proper procedure for the cancellation of any approved show and that it be included in the Draft Schedule package sent out by Dogs NSW.

CARRIED

MOVED J Seary

SECONDED G Spagnolo

THAT Dogs NSW writes to Agricultural Societies Council and ask they advise their members that cancellation of shows should be notified to Dogs NSW.

CARRIED

Confirmation was received later in the meeting that the Manildra show will now go ahead.

...OPEN MEETING...

5. MOTIONS ON NOTICE FROM DIRECTORS

5.1 Regulations Part II-Show, Clause 6.8 – AMENDMENT

MOVED P Cutler

SECONDED J Seary

THAT Regulations Part II – Show Regulations Section 6.8, Clause 6.8.1 which currently reads:

6.8.1(a) the age groups consist of :-

- 1. 7 years to under 10 years for boys and girls
- 2. 10 years to under 13 years for boys and girls
- 3. 13 years to under 18 years for boys and girls

Be amended to read:-

6.8.1(a) the age groups consist of :-

- 1. 7 years to under 10 years for boys and girls
- 2. 10 years to under 13 years for boys and girls
- 3. 13 years to under 19 years for boys and girls

CARRIED

5.2 Regulations Part II-Show, Clause 4.3 – AMENDMENT

This matter was **<u>DEFERRED</u>** to next meeting

6. MONTHLY REPORTS

6.1 CEO's Report

6.1.2 Recommendation 2 – Item 1.2: Amendment to RNSWCC Constitution for Affiliates Template

MOVED M Wheeler

SECONDED V Etherington OAM

THAT the RNSWCC Constitution for Affiliates Template be **UPDATED** and amended to include all the latest requirements of NSW Fair Trading in relation to Constitution of Incorporated Associations.

MOVED R Britten

SECONDED E Pickering

THAT the **advice of the Honorary Solicitor** be sought on the incorporation of the NSW Fair Trading requirements into the RNSWCC Constitution for Affiliates Template.

CARRIED

6.1.3 Recommendation 3 – Item 1.3: Generic Membership Date

MOVED R Britten

SECONDED P Cutler

THAT for new members joining in the period I January to 30 June during the Membership Year the membership fee will be 50 percent of the membership fee in respect of the each category of membership.

CARRIED

6.1.7 Recommendation 7 – Item 1.7: Orana K9 Training Club Inc – Application for Affiliation

MOVED R Britten

SECONDED P Cutler

THAT Recommendation 7, which reads as follows, be approved:

THAT, the Board **APPROVES** the application from Orana K9 Training Club Inc for affiliation with Dogs NSW.

CARRIED

N Keck abstained

6.1.8 Recommendation 8 – Item 1.8: C & J Fymnore – Intervariety Belgian Shepherd Mating Proposal – Groenendael Offspring

MOVED E Gunter

SECONDED J Seary

THAT Recommendation 8, which reads as follows, be approved:-

THAT the application from Mr & Mrs Fynmore for an intervariety Belgian Shepherd mating proposal (Groenendael offspring) **be forwarded to ANKC Ltd** for consideration.

CARRIED

6.1.12 Recommendation 12 – Item 1.12: Board Policy Document

MOVED E Pickering

SECONDED J Sheppard

THAT Recommendation 12, which reads as follows, be approved:-

THAT the Board **ACCEPT** the Board Policy Document in principle with a view to accepting amendment within 28 days to be addressed at the next Board meeting.

CARRIED

E Gunter, M Arthur against

Director J Sheppard requested that a copy of the work of the previous Working Party be provided to all Directors.

Meeting recessed @ 5.30pm Meeting resumed @ 5.40pm

6.1.13 Northern Region (Coastal) Committee – Annual General Meeting

MOVED E Gunter

SECONDED G Spagnolo

THAT the a **Notice** be placed in the September 2017 Dogs NSW Gazette advising of the 2017 Dogs NSW Northern Region (Coastal) Annual General Meeting to be held on **Saturday 7 October 2017** at Kyogle Showground commencing at 5.30pm. Notice to include information regarding availability and return of completed Nomination Forms and other relevant information.

CARRIED

MOVED E Gunter

SECONDED P Cutler

THAT Mr Thomas George MP be **appointed** as **Returning Officer** for the purposue of the Northern Region (Coastal) Committee AGM on Saturday 7 October 2017, subject to his availability for that date, and if he is unavailable the matter be considerd by the Executive Committee to appoint a suitable Returning Officer.

CARRIED

MOVED P Cutler

SECONDED J Seary

THAT Director E Gunter be **requested to assist the CEO** to ensure that all facets of this election are done within the Regulations.

CARRIED

E Gunter abstained

6.1.14 Item 2.7: Board Training Session

MOVED R Britten

SECONDED P Cutler

THAT a **training session** for Directors in respect of use of iPads/laptops and the Dropbox be conducted on **Wednesday 25 October 2017**.

CARRIED

MOVED P Cutler

SECONDED G Spagnolo

THAT the CEO's report be **RECEIVED**.

CARRIED

6.2 **Finance Committee – 24/7/2017**

6.2.1 Recommendation 1A - Item 6.4: Interstate Fee Comparison — Increase to Limited Registration Fees

MOVED P Cutler

SECONDED J Seary

THAT Recommendation 1A, which reads as follows, be APPROVED:-

THAT there be an increase in registration fees to bring Limited Registrations in line with Main Registrations, as the same amount of work is required for both applications.

CARRIED

MOVED M Wheeler

SECONDED P Cutler

THAT the increase in registration fees to bring Limited Register fees in line with Main Register fees be **EFFECTIVE 1 January 2018** and a Notice be published in the next available Gazette.

6.2.3 Recommendation 2 – Item 8: FINANCIAL REPORT – 1 July 2016 to 30 June 2017

MOVED J Seary

SECONDED L Brand

THAT Recommendation 2, which reads as follows, be approved:-

THAT the Financial Report 1 July 2016 to 30 June 2017 be **APPROVED**.

CARRIED

6.2.4 Item 10.1: Government Grants

MOVED E Gunter

SECONDED G Spagnolo

THAT the Board express its disappointment that the matter of Government Grants was only noted and no action taken and, therefore, the matter be **REFERRED** back to next Finance Committee meeting and Grounds Committee. The Committees should note that the next intake for Grants is due in November and it may be helpful to peruse the previous submission prepared by former Director M Parker.

CARRIED

MOVED E Gunter

SECONDED J Seary

THAT the Minutes of the Finance Committee be **RECEIVED**.

CARRIED

6.3 **Agility Committee – 1/8/2017**

6.3.1 Recommendation 1 - Item 7: Trial Dates

MOVED V Etherington OAM

SECONDED J Seary

THAT the Committee's decision in relation to Trial Dates be **APPROVED**.

CARRIED

6.3.2 Recommendation 2 – Item 8.8.2: Proposal for Purchase of New Agility Equipment

MOVED R Britten

SECONDED L Brand

THAT Recommendation 2, which reads as follows, be APPROVED:-

THAT new agility equipment **be purchased** to replace current old and damaged equipment.

CARRIED

MOVED E Gunter

SECONDED P Cutler

THAT the Minutes of the Agility Committee be **RECEIVED**.

6.4 Agility Judges Committee – 11/7/2017

6.4.1 Recommendation 1 – Item 7.3: Agility Stewards – Expression of Interest

MOVED V Etherington OAM

SECONDED P Cutler

THAT Recommendation 1, which reads as follows, be APPROVED:-

THAT the Agility Judges Committee train any person that is willing to take up the Stewards training. Dogs NSW members on completion of the Steward training course will receive a Certificate of Completion, be accredited and their names be placed on an official Agility Stewards List.

CARRIED

MOVED R Britten

SECONDED L Brand

THAT Stewards for the Agility Course be **ONLY Members** or **Associate Members** and that non-Dogs NSW members will only receive a Certificate of Completion.

CARRIED

MOVED R Britten

SECONDED J Seary

THAT the Minutes of the Agility Judges Committee be **RECEIVED**.

CARRIED

6.5 **Breed Assessment & Temperament Test Committee**

The Board noted that this Committee did not meet.

6.6 Complex Fundraising Committee

The Board noted that this Committee did not meet.

6.7 Conformation Judges Training Committee

The Board noted that this Committee did not meet.

6.8 Dances With Dogs Committee

The Board noted that this Committee did not meet.

6.9 **Grounds Committee – 11/7/2017**

6.9.1 Recommendation 2 – Item 4.1: Off Leash Area

MOVED R Britten

SECONDED N Keck

THAT Recommendation 2, which reads as follows, be APPROVED:-

THAT Quote 2 (Rod Smith-Annexure B of the Grounds Committee Minutes) be approved to construct an off leash area.

CARRIED

6.9.2 Recommendation 3 – Item 6.1.1: Show Ring Tables

MOVED V Etherington OAM

SECONDED G Spagnolo

THAT Recommendation 3, which reads as follows, be APPROVED:-

THAT 14 new tables be purchased to replace the existing show tables that have seen better days. Tables will be \$47.50 ex GST each.

6.9.3 Roads – Quote from Ozpave

MOVED R Britten

THAT the following road works, as quoted by Ozpave, be undertaken:-

- 1) fix up holes
- 2) go up to gate

WITHDRAWN

MOVED G Spagnolo

SECONDED R Britten

THAT the quote from Ozpave to undertake road works as follows be approved:-

- (1) fix up holes in front of and around Rotunda
- (2) repair road up to perimeter gate
- (3) add a small car park next to the Rotunda
- (4) repair the rough area at the GSDL Building

CARRIED

MOVED V Etherington OAM

SECONDED L Brand

THAT the Minutes of the Grounds Committee be **RECEIVED**.

CARRIED

6.10 Library & Archives Committee

The Board noted that this Committee did not meet.

6.11 Media & Government Legislation Committee – 31/7/2017

6.11.1 **Dr K Hedberg Report**

MOVED M Wheeler

SECONDED E Pickering

THAT the matter be **REFERRED** back to the Media & Government Legislation Committee requesting a copy of Dr K Hedberg's submission on behalf of Dogs NSW.

CARRIED

MOVED G Spagnolo

SECONDED J Seary

THAT the Minutes of the Media & Government Legislation Committee be **RECEIVED**.

6.11.2 Meeting with Mayor

The President advised she, in company with Director L Brand, Mr Bill Brand and the CEO, had a very positive meeting with the Mayor of Penrith to discuss the current flood situation with the land and contours of the land with a view to whether the Council would object to an application from Dogs NSW for an indoor show facility. The Mayor, in principle, was well on board with the suggestion. He agreed that this sort of facility would be an absolute asset to the local council area and undertook to review the flood levels/contours and provide in principle advice as to where we could consider locating such a facility. In regards to the tenure of the property, the Mayor is well on board and will assist us wherever possible. On receipt of advice from the Council regarding what area of the grounds would be suitable for the indoor facility, Dogs NSW will put together a proposal including a map of the area with plans of our vision and make it very professional and informative and include as much public amenity to inform the Government of the benefits to the local community by ensuring we have long term tenure of the Orchard Hills Complex.

The President also advised that an additional 500 signature were collected from the Dog Lovers Show on the weekend.

6.12 Members Education Committee

The Board noted that this Committee did not meet.

6.12.1 **MEPP Supervisors**

MOVED R Britten SECONDED L Brand **THAT** the following persons be **APPROVED** as MEPP Supervisors:-

Sgt		Gibson
Mr	Michael	Difford
Mr	David	Hanna
Mrs	Kirsty	George
Mrs	Joanne	Goodenough
Mrs	Karen	Glanford
Mrs	Kellie	Urszulak
Ms	Linda	Bourke

CARRIED

6.13 Obedience & Tracking Committee - 20/7/2017

6.13.1 Recommendation 1 - Item 7: Trial Dates

MOVED M Wheeler SECONDED E Gunter **THAT** Recommendation 1, which reads as follows, be **APPROVED: THAT** Committee's decisions in relation to Trial Dates be approved.

6.13.2 Recommendation 2 – Item 8.2.1: Special Permission – Rally O Trials

MOVED M Wheeler

SECONDED G Spagnolo

THAT Recommendation 2, which reads as follows, be APPROVED:-

THAT advice be sent to the ANKC Ltd that Dogs NSW does <u>NOT</u> recommend any dispensation be given to a dog suffering a medical disability to compete in Rally O Trials. All dogs are required to compete on an equal basis under the ANKC Ltd Rules and it is suggested that the owner consider training her dog in other pursuits that do not require jumping such as nose work.

CARRIED

6.13.3 Recommendation 3 – Item 8.4: Endurance Test

MOVED R Britten

SECONDED L Brand

THAT Recommendation 3, which reads as follows, be APPROVED:-

THAT Dogs NSW replace the electric urn as a matter of urgency as it presents a danger in its current condition as it leaks boiling water.

CARRIED

MOVED V Etherington OAM

SECONDED P Cutler

THAT the Minutes of the Obedience & Tracking Committee be **RECEIVED**.

CARRIED

6.14 Obedience & Tracking Judges Committee – 13/7/2017

6.14.1 Recommendation 1 – Item 7.2: Meeting in September – Gazette Notice – Obedience Judges Training Scheme

MOVED V Etherington OAM

SECONDED P Cutler

THAT Recommendation 1, which reads as follows, be APPROVED:-

THAT the following Notice for the 2018 Obedience & Tracking Judges Training Scheme be placed in the next available Dogs NSW Gazette:-

OBEDIENCE & TRACKING JUDGES COMMITTEE

The Obedience & Tracking Judges Committee will be conducting a Judges Training Scheme in 2018.

Closing date for applications will be **COB Monday 5 February 2018.**

The Theory Night – Introduction to the Course - will be held on **Thursday 8 March 2018 at 7.00pm** (please note all metropolitan candidates are required to attend this session. Country candidates, who are not able to attend, must provide bona fide apologies).

The Theory Examination will be held on **Friday 18May 2018.** Successful candidates will be required to attend training sessions arranged by the Obedience & Tracking Judges Committee.

The Practical Examination will be held on **Friday 2 November 2018**.

Courses to be held are: CCD, Novice, Open, UD, UDX, Rally O, Tracking and Endurance.

Application forms can be obtained from Dogs NSW Office.

MOVED J Seary

SECONDED P Cutler

THAT the Minutes of the Obedience & Tracking Judges Committee be **RECEIVED**.

CARRIED

6.15 Public Relations Committee

The Board noted that this Committee did not meet.

6.16 Retrieving & Field Trials Committee - 19/7/2017

6.16.1 Recommendation 1 – Item 3.3: Item 8.5: Annual Trophy

MOVED V Etherington OAM

SECONDED F Hession

THAT Recommendation 1, which reads as follows, be APPROVED:-

THAT the Working Gundog Club of NSW be contacted for acceptance of a return of the annual trophy into their custody.

CARRIED

6.16.2 Recommendation 2 - Item 6: Trial Dates

MOVED V Etherington OAM

SECONDED J Seary

THAT Recommendation 2, which reads as follows, be APPROVED:-

THAT the Committee's decisions in relation to Trial Dates be approved.

CARRIED

6.16.3 Recommendation 2 – Item 8.5: Review of the Retrieving & Field Trial Rules

MOVED J Seary

SECONDED L Brand

THAT Recommendation 3, which reads as follows, be APPROVED:-

THAT a Notice be placed in the next available Dogs NSW Gazette as follows:-

Review of the Rules for the Conduct of Ability Tests for Gundogs

for interested Retrieving Trial Competitors a meeting will be held on Saturday 10 February 2018 at 1.00pm Any enquires please contact Mr Ken Griffin on 02 9628 7062

CARRIED

MOVED P Cutler

SECONDED J Seary

THAT the Minutes of the RAFT Committee be **RECEIVED**.

CARRIED

6.17 Show Committee - 19/7/2017

Recommendation 1 - Item 4.1: Regulations Part II-Show, Clause 10.4: Prizes -6.17.1 **AMENDMENT**

G Spagnolo left the meeting @ 8.00pm

MOVED P Cutler

SECONDED A Lee

THAT Director E Gunter and the CEO work together and refer the final draft to the

Executive Committee for approval.

6.17.3 Resignation of Convenor of the Junior Handler Working Party

MOVED R Britten

SECONDED E Gunter

THAT an appropriate letter be sent to Ms Courtney Spencer thanking her for her efforts as Convenor of the Junior Handler Working Party and her representation on the ANKC Ltd Junior Handler Committee.

CARRIED

6.17.4 Recommendation 5 - Item 7.4.7: North of the Harbour All Breeds Kennel Club - Request to hold a CACIB Show

MOVED R Britten

SECONDED P Cutler

THAT Recommendation 5, which reads as follow, be APPROVED:-

THAT the Board <u>NOT</u> approve the request from North of the Harbour All Breeds Kennel Club to conduct a CACIB Show in 2018, as it is believed that a CACIB show should be a Dogs NSW event.

CARRIED

E Pickering against

6.17.5 Recommendation 6 - Item 7: Show Dates

MOVED E Gunter

SECONDED P Cutler

THAT Recommendation 6, which reads as follows, be APPROVED:-

THAT the Committee's decisions in relation to Show Dates be approved.

CARRIED

MOVED P Cutler

SECONDED J Seary

THAT the Minutes of the Show Committee be **RECEIVED**.

CARRIED

6.17.6 Southern Highlands Kennel & Obedience Club Inc – 3rd Championship Show

MOVED E Pickering

THAT the request for permission from Southern Highlands Kennel & Obediecne Club Inc to conduct a 3rd Championship Show on the **42**nd **Friday**, ie, **20 October** for **2017 only** to be held at **Berrima**, be **APPROVED**.

WITHDRAWN

MOVED R Britten

SECONDED J Sheppard

THAT the request for permission from Southern Highlands Kennel & Obedience Club Inc to conduct a 3rd Championship Show on the **42**nd **Friday**, ie, **20 October** for **2017 only**, **NOT** be approved.

CARRIED

M Wheeler against

MOVED R Britten

SECONDED E Pickering

THAT the balance of the shows for the weekend 20-22 October 2017, ie, Obedience, RATG & Rally O, be **APPROVED**.

It was agreed that a **Notice** be published in the next available Dogs NSW **Gazette** reminding Club Officials of the Regulations pertaining to submission of show schedules.

6.18 **Sporting Committee – 26/7/2017**

MOVED P Cutler SECONDED J Seary

THAT the Minutes of the Sporting Committee be **RECEIVED**.

CARRIED

6.19 Spring Fair Dog Show Committee - 17/7/2017

MOVED R Britten SECONDED P Cutler

THAT the Minutes of the Spring Fair Dog Show Committee be **RECEIVED**.

CARRIED

6.19.1 Sponsorship by Dog News Australia

The Committee was requested to follow up with Dog News Australia regarding the free advertisement in accordance with their sponsorship arrangement as the advertisement had not appeared in the August edition of the magazine and will now be too late for the Spring Fair event.

6.19.2 Closing Date for Entries

The Committee was requested to ensure that the acceptance of entries is conducted in accordance with the Regulations, ie, "no later that 7 days prior to the Show".

6.20 Stewards & Representatives Committee – 19/7/2017

6.20.1 **Item 7.2: Stewards List**

MOVED P Cutler SECONDED J Seary

THAT a **Notice** be placed in the next available Dogs NSW **Gazette** asking members who steward if they would like to be on the supplementary list.

CARRIED

MOVED R Britten

SECONDED V Etherington OAM

THAT the Minutes of the Stewards & Representatives Committee be **RECEIVED**.

CARRIED

6.20.2 Far Northern Area - Issues

6.20.2.1 Aspiring Stewards Manual & Open Book Examination

MOVED P Cutler SECONDED R Butler

THAT the Committee be required to work toward developing an Aspiring

Stewards Manual and Open Book Examination.

6.20.2.2 **Defibrillators in Regions**

MOVED P Cutler SECONDED E Pickering

THAT a **letter of thanks** be sent to Ms R Keene for the donation of \$500 towards a further defibrillator for Orchard Hills.

CARRIED

Regional Directors were requested to **follow up** with their Regions as to the provision and availability of defibrillators at shows in their Regions.

6.20.2.3 Aggressive Dog Powerpoint Presentation

Director N Keck was requested **to follow up** on this issue to have the Presentation available on the Dogs NSW website and the Dogs NSW APP and emailed to Clubs.

6.20.2.4 State Borders Clashing Shows

MOVED R Britten SECONDED M Arthur

THAT a **motion** be proposed to **ANKC Ltd** that a National Calendar be developed and available on the ANKC Ltd website to avoid interstate clashes.

CARRIED

6.21 Visiting Overseas Conformation Judges Evaluation Committee

The Board noted that this Committee did not meet.

7. ANKC LTD MATTERS

7.1 ANKC Ltd EM#149 – Dogs NT Request for Exemption from VOJE - WITHDRAWN

NOTED

7.2 ANKC Ltd FCI Agreement - Signed

NOTED

7.3 ANKC Ltd October Conference – Dogs NSW Agenda Items

The meeting considered appropriate motions from Dogs NSW for the 2017 ANKC Ltd October Conference.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

8.1 Microchip Scanners at Shows

MOVED J Seary SECONDED L Brand

THAT the Show Committee be requested to draft a Regulation on the requirements/procedures for microchip scanning of dogs whose identification is in dispute.

8.2 Central Coast Dog Obedience Training Club Inc – Regulation Clause 1.3 (c)(iii)B

MOVED M Wheeler

SECONDED E Gunter

THAT Dogs NSW writes back to Club stating that if they are getting over 25 new members per month and that 15 of their full membership are Dogs NSW members, then they are complying with the requirements of the Regulations.

CARRIED

8.3 WUSV Harmonisation Program

MOVED J Sheppard

SECONDED R Britten

THAT Dogs NSW does **NOT** support the WUSV Harmonisation Program.

CARRIED

9. BUSINESS ADJOURNED FROM PREVOUS MEETINGS - NIL

10. GENERAL BUSINESS

10.1 Gordon Douglas Building

MOVED P Cutler

SECONDED L Brand

THAT the Board supports the decision of the Chair to close the Gordon Douglas Building.

CARRIED

Director M Wheeler expressed the thanks of the Penrith Kennel & Obedience Club for the alternative arrangements for the Club's equipment.

MOVED P Cutler

SECONDED L Brand

THAT the Gordon Douglas Building be demolished immediately and before the road work is undertaken with the intent to redevelop the site within the next few years.

CARRIED

MOVED L Brand

SECONDED P Cutler

THAT a further 2 quotes be obtained and permission be sought from Penrith Council for the demolition.

CARRIED

Directors were advised that the toilet block will remain.

MOVED E Gunter

SECONDED P Cutler

THAT when the further quotes are received it be considered by the Executive Committee.

10.2 Voluntary Workers Check for Photographers

Director L Brand requested advice in respect of safety checks for working with children.

The CEO confirmed that it is a requirement for all Junior Handler Judges to sign a NSW Working With Children Check - Volunteer Declaration and in respect of photographers there is already legislation in place that restricts the taking of photographs of children without consent, as follows:-

Criminal offences

There are a number of existing criminal laws that address the taking and use of unauthorised images for offensive purposes. Some of these include:

- use of surveillance devices to record a 'private activity' without consent;
- filming for indecent purposes;
- making an image of a child engaged in a private act for prurient purposes;
- making indecent visual images of a child under the age of 16;
- committing indecent or offensive acts in a public place;
- child pornography offences; and
- using a telecommunications network or carriage service to facilitate certain offences.

MEETING CLOSED: 9.25pm

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday 13 September 2017 @ 2.00pm