

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 13 September 2017 at 2.08PM.

The Chair, on behalf of the Board of Directors, offered a warm welcome to Directors Elect, Dr K Hedberg BVSc & Mr R Harbin as Observers, noting they do not have any voting rights, however, if they feel that they have something important to raise in any matter that might assist the Board in its deliberation, the Chair may consider giving leave.

Directors observed one minute's silence as a mark of respect for the recent passing of Alexandria Kate Harbin.

| PRESENT: | L Brown J Sheppard V Etherington OAM L Brand R Britten M Arthur | F Hession J Seary N Keck M Wheeler P Cutler A Lee | |
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| IN ATTENDANCE: | Directors Elect (R Harbin & Dr K Hedberg BVSc), V Gagan-Wilson (CEO), R Kal (PA) | | |
| APOLOGIES: | E Gunter, G Spagnolo, E Pickering | | |
| | MOVED P Cutler THAT the apologies be ACCEPTED . | SECONDED V Etherington OAM | |

CARRIED

...IN CAMERA...

1. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

1.1 Meeting-9 August 2017

MOVED R Britten SECONDED P Cutler
THAT the Minutes of the Board of Directors meeting, held on 9 August 2017, be CONFIRMED.
CARRIED

1.2 Meeting-17 August 2017

MOVED R Britten SECONDED J Seary THAT the Minutes of the Additional Board of Directors meeting, held on 17 August 2017, be CONFIRMED.

CARRIED

2. <u>BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES</u>

2.1 **Board Policy – AMENDED** (Refer Item 6.1.12 BOD Minutes 09/08/2017)

> MOVED N Keck SECONDED J Shepherd THAT the Board APPROVES the Board Policy Document subject to the following amendments:-

Item 4 BOARD BENEFITS

Item 21 AMENDMENTS TO THE REGULATIONS

21.1 All Regulation changes mooted by Committees or by any Director or the Secretary are to be presented in full, in writing – both the regulation as it stands and the suggested amendments, accompanied by the rational, and must be included on the agenda and not presented as a late item.

Item 24 COMMUNICATION WITH SERVICE PROVIDERS

- 24.1 All communications between the Board of Directors and service providers to the RNSWCC (including lawyers, accountants, suppliers of equipment, office services etc.) shall only be only through the Secretary or the Chairman, or other such person, as the Board of Directors or the Secretary of the Chairman may in particular circumstance authorise.
- Item 35 JUDGES
 - 35.1 When a complaint is brought against a Judge, the relevant charge under the regulations must be advised in the letter to the Judge concerned. The matter is then referred to the Judges Committee.

Item 48 VENDORS'POLICY – DOG SUPPLIES

The Board of Directors has approved Licence Agreements between RNSWCC and the following Commercial Vendors:

Harry's Kebabs & Ice Cream Mobile Showaquipment Great Rugs It Suits Me

CARRIED

MOVED M Wheeler

SECONDED P Cutler

Petcetera

Dog's Breath

Plush Puppy

THAT the Staff of Dogs NSW are to be each given a copy of the Board Policy Document.

CARRIED

2.3 **Defibrillators in Regions**

(Refer Item 6.20.2.2 BOD Minutes 09/08/2017)

MOVED V Etherington OAM SECONDED L Brand THAT the request for the Illawarra & South East Region to be provided with a Defibrillator be APPROVED.

CARRIED

MOVED P Cutler

SECONDED R Britten

THAT the information on Local Sports Club Defibrillator Grants Program be **REFERRED** to the Finance Committee.

CARRIED

3. JUDICIAL MATTERS

4. GENERAL BUSINESS TO BE DEALT WITH IN CAMERA

4.6 2017/2018 JTEP-Chairman's Report

4.6.1 **Appointment of Toy Group Co-ordinator**

MOVED R BrittenSECONDED J SearyTHAT Mr P Cutler be APPOINTED as Co-ordinator of the Toy Group.

CARRIED P Cutler Abstained

MOVED P Cutler SECONDED J Seary **THAT** the Report of the Chair of the ConformationJudges Trainee Committee be **RECEIVED**.

CARRIED

4.7 Animal Welfare & Community Liaison Officer's Report

Director R Britten **foreshadowed a motion** to draft a Regulation in relation to the AWLCO Report on Purebred Rescues.

Meeting recessed @ 3.55pm Meeting resumed @ 4.25pm

...OPEN MEETING...

5. MOTIONS ON NOTICE FROM DIRECTORS

5.1 **Regulations Part II-Show, Clause 4.4 – ADDITION**

WITHDRAWN

5.2 Regulations Part II-Show, Clause 10.4 – AMENDMENT

MOVED R Britten SECONDED P Cutler **THAT**, as consequence of the amendment to Regulations Part II-Show, Clause 10.4 at the Board of Directors meeting on 17 August 2017, the following Clause 10.4(e) & (f) be **amended to read** as follows:-

- (c) At an Agility and/or Jumping Trial held under the regulations the following shall apply:-
 - (i) There shall be at least one sash and prize for 1st place and one sash for 2nd and 3rd place in each. (09/17)
- (d) At an Obedience Trial held under the Regulations there shall be at least one Sash and Prize for each 1st, 2nd and 3rd qualifying place in each class. (09/17)

CARRIED

5.3 Dog NSW Social Media Policy – Review

MOVED P Cutler

SECONDED J Seary

THAT the Dogs NSW Social Media Policy, and the advice from the Dogs NSW Solicitor, Paul Svilans, be **DEFERRED** to the Disputes Assessment Panel for review.

CARRIED

R Britten, J Sheppard Against

Director L Brand left the meeting at 5.00pm

6. **MONTHLY REPORTS**

CEO's Report 6.1

6.1.1 Recommendation 1 – Item 1.1: Registration of Semen

MOVED R Britten SECONDED J Seary THAT the Board revisit the matter of registration of semen and the proposed introduction of a registration fee after the matter has been considered at the ANKC Ltd Conference in October 2017.

CARRIED

6.1.2 Recommendation 2 – Item 1.2: French Bulldog Inspections

MOVED R Britten SECONDED J Seary THAT all owners of flagged Main Register French Bulldogs be given an amnesty period, ending 1 December 2017, where they are able to either have the coloured French Bulldog downgraded to the Limited Register or inspected for the correct colours. On expiration of the amnesty period, all Flagged Main Register French Bulldogs that have NOT either been downgraded or inspected are to be downgraded to the Limited Register. All owners are to be advised via Registered Post and email.

CARRIED

6.1.2 Recommendation 3 – Item 1.3: Promoting Dogs NSW

MOVED P Cutler SECONDED V Etherington OAM THAT Recommendation 3, which reads as follows, be approved:-THAT the Board increase Dogs NSW public profile to encourage more interest from the public to increase membership.

CARRIED

6.1.3 Item 2.5 – Sheep Manager's Report

MOVED R Britten SECONDED F Hession THAT the sheep NOT be used until the 23 September 2017, at which time a review will be undertaken of the situation.

CARRIED

MOVED P Cutler SECONDED V Etherington OAM **THAT** the CEO's report be **RECEIVED**.

CARRIED

6.2 Finance Committee – 28/08/2017

6.2.1 Recommendation 1 – Item 8: Financial Report-1 July 2017 to 31 July 2017

MOVED R Britten SECONDED P Cutler THAT the Financial Report 1 July 2017 to 31 July 2017 be APPROVED.

CARRIED

6.2.2 Recommendation 2 – Item 8.4: 2016/2017 Annual Report-Financial Statements **MOVED R Britten SECONDED P Cutler** THAT the 2016/2017 Annual Report Financial Statements be APPROVED. CARRIED 6.2.4 Item 10.2: Electronic Magazine MOVED M Wheeler **SECONDED P Cutler** THAT Members be offered the option to choose to access the Dogs NSW Magazine online, instead of hard copy by post, for a **discount** on their annual membership of \$25.00. CARRIED **MOVED R Britten SECONDED P Cutler THAT** the Minutes of the Finance Committee be **RECEIVED**. CARRIED 6.3 Agility Committee – 22/08/2017 6.3.1 Recommendation 1 – Item 7.2: Cavalier King Charles Spaniel Club SECONDED P Cutler MOVED V Etherington OAM THAT the Committee's decisions in relation to Trial Dates be APPROVED. CARRIED MOVED V Etherington OAM **SECONDED P Cutler** THAT the Minutes of the Agility Committee be RECEIVED. CARRIED 6.4 Agility Judges Committee – 08/08/2017 **MOVED P Cutler 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. **Conformation Judges Training Committee** 6.7 The Board noted that this Committee did not meet. **Dances With Dogs Committee** 6.8 The Board noted that this Committee did not meet. 6.9 Grounds Committee – 08/08/2017

6.9.1 **Recommendation 1 – Item 4.2: Gordon Douglas Building – Demolition**

OVERRUN

(Refer to Item 6.2.3)

MOVED J Seary SECONDED J Sheppard **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 – 28/08/2017

6.11.1 Recommendation 1 – Item 5.2: Blacktown Council Animal Re-Housing Facility

MOVED R Britten SECONDED P Cutler
THAT Recommendation 1 NOT be approved.

CARRIED

MOVED R Britten SECONDED P Cutler THAT the Minutes of the Media & Grounds Legislation Committee be <u>RECEIVED.</u>

CARRIED

6.11.1 RNSWCC Health & Welfare Charity Ltd-Constitution Proposal

MOVED P Cutler SECONDED V Etherington OAM **THAT** the Board **APPROVES** the Draft of the RNSWCC Health & Welfare Charity Ltd Constitution, **subject to the following amendments**:-

• 27.4 APPOINTED DIRECTORS

- (c) The Appointer shall ensure at all times that the chairperson of the board of the Member is an Appointed Director who shall be appointed for a one (1) year term.
 - The Chair of the member is elected annually.

• 47 BY LAWS

(c) When in force, a By-Law is binding on the Member and has the same effect as this Constitution.

49 ACCOUNTS AND INSPECTION

(c) from time to time determine whether and to what extent and at what times and places and under what conditions or regulations allow the Member, inspection of the accounting and other records of the Company or any of them, at any such time. will be open to the inspection of the Member.

- 51.1 SURPLUSES ARISING FROM DEDUCTIBLE DONATIONS
 - (c) The identity of the corporation(s) or institution(s) referred to in **clause 51.1(a)** is determined:
 - (i) by the Board Member in the first instance; or
 - (ii) if the Member Board does not decide or does not wish to decide, then by the Member Board,

in writing at or before the time of dissolution and failing such determination being made, by application to the Supreme Court of New South Wales for determination.

CARRIED

R Harbin left the meeting at 6.35pm

6.12 Members Education Committee – 23/08/2017

6.12.1 **MEPP Supervisors**

MOVED V Etherington OAM SECONDED P Cutler THAT the following MEPP Supervisors be APPROVED:-

| Title | First Name | Last Name |
|-------|------------|------------|
| Mrs | Elizabeth | Bailey |
| Mrs | Kelli | Blanchette |
| Miss | Rachel | Trudgett |
| Mrs | Natasha | Pound |
| Mrs | Beth | Liddicoat |
| MS | Melissa | Cairns |
| Ms | Anne | Роре |
| Mrs | Cathy | Lostrah |
| Mr | Bert | Hurcum |

CARRIED

6.13 Obedience & Tracking Committee – 17/08/2017

6.13.1 **Recommendation 1 – Item 7: Trial Dates**

MOVED P Cutler SECONDED J Seary
THAT the Committee's recommendations in relation to Trial dates be APPROVED.

CARRIED

6.13.2 Recommendation 2 – Item 8.9: Eligibility of Associate Register Dogs to Compete in Trials

MOVED M Wheeler SECONDED J Sheppard THAT the following Notice be published in the next available Dogs NSW Gazette:- **Notice to ALL Show & Trial Secretaries – Associate Register Dogs** The Obedience & Tracking Committee would like to remind Show & Trial Secretaries of the provisions of Regulation Part II-Show, Clause 3.1(c), which states that Associate Register dogs are not eligible to compete in Trials conducted by Multi-Group, Group, Semi-Group or Specialist Clubs **except** in the following circumstances:-

- (i) that a dog of a variety accepted as a Gundog being eligible to compete in a Retrieving Ability Test for Gundogs may compete in any RATG event
- (ii) a dog of mixed breeds, provided they are a mix or apparent mix of Herding Breeds may compete in Herding Tests and Herding Trials, and
- (iii) a dog of Earthdog type may compete in Earthdog Tests, provided they have successfully qualified in the Earthdog Instinct Test on at least one occasion prior to being eligible to enter the Novice Earthdog Test.

Note: Associate Register dogs accepted as a Gundog must have an "AG" notation in their registration number to compete in RATG trials. Where there is uncertainty regarding a dog's eligibility to enter any of the above events please contact the Office for advice or confirmation of eligibility.

CARRIED

6.13.3 Recommendation 3 – Item 8.10: Proposed Obedience Instructors Workshop

MOVED M Wheeler SECONDED P Cutler
THAT the following Notice be published in the next available Dogs NSW Gazette:-

PROPOSED DOGS NSW OBEDIENCE INSTRUCTOR WORKSHOP

To be conducted by the Obedience & Tracking Committee. Expressions of interest are invited for a proposed Workshop to be conducted Saturday 3 & Sunday 4 February 2018 at The Bill Spillstead Complex for Canine Affairs, Orchard Hills. Cost: \$100.00 per person, tea/coffee provided.

Topics to be covered will include, but not limited to:-

- What makes a good Instructor
- Motivating handlers
- Dealing with problem dogs
- Dealing with problem owners
- Planning class content

The Workshop will provide opportunity for the practical elements of instructing at introductory level of obedience.

Numbers will be limited to 20 attendees, nominated by their Club, and who are currently instructing for the Club.

Relevant details of the Workshop content, Presenters and Application Form will be made available as soon as sufficient expressions of interest are received.

All Enquiries and expressions of interest to Maria Wheeler 0409988901 borealisdobes@bigpond.com

CARRIED

MOVED P CutlerSECONDED R BrittenTHAT the Minutes of the Obedience & Tracking Committee be RECEIVED.

CARRIED

6.14 Obedience & Tracking Judges Committee – 17/08/2017

MOVED P Cutler SECONDED R Britten
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 – 16/08/2017

6.16.1 **Recommendation 1 – Item 6: Application for Trial Date**

MOVED V Etherington OAMSECONDED P CutlerTHAT the Committee's recommendations in relation to Trial dates be APPROVED.

CARRIED

MOVED R Britten SECONDED P Cutler THAT the Minutes of the Retrieving & Field Trials Committee be **RECEIVED**.

CARRIED

CARRIED

6.17 Show Committee - 17/08/2017

6.17.1 Application for CACIB Show

MOVED R BrittenSECONDED P Cutler**THAT** an **application to conduct a CACIB Show** on the Friday of the 2018 Spring FairDog Show (ie, 31 August 2018) be forwarded to the ANKC Ltd.

6.17.2 **Recommendation 3 – Item 7: Application for Show Date**

MOVED J Seary SECONDED P Cutler THAT the Committee's recommendations in relation to Trial dates be <u>APPROVED</u>. CARRIED

6.17.4 Recommendation 5 – Item 8.3: Lifting and Moving Dogs in the Show Ring

MOVED M ArthurSECONDED R BrittenTHAT the matter of lifting and moving dogs in the Show Ring be REFERRED back to the
Show Committee to formulate a suitable Regulation to deal with this issue.

CARRIED

6.17.5 Recommendation 6 – Item 9.2.1: Regulations Part II-Show, Clause 13.4(v)-AMENDMENT

MOVED J Seary SECONDED V Etherington OAM **THAT** Regulations Part II-Show, Clause 13.4(v) be amended as follows:

13.4 An Application for entry for an exhibit at a recognised show:-

(v) shall be lodged on or before the closing date for entries, as determined by the body conducting the Show, having regard to its obligations under the Regulations (09/17). but which shall not be less than seven (7) clear days before the scheduled commencing date of such Show;

CARRIED

MOVED V Etherington OAM SECONDED J Seary THAT the Minutes of the Show Committee be **RECEIVED**.

CARRIED

6.18 Sporting Committee – 23/08/2017

6.18.1 **Recommendation 1A – Item 6.2: ANKC Ltd Sled Sports Rules**

MOVED R BrittenSECONDED P CutlerTHAT Recommendation 1A, which reads as follows, be APPROVED:-THAT ANKC Ltd Sled Sports Rules be amended to include that, due to normal protocolswhereby State or ANKC Ltd Representatives are observers only at ANKC events, allreferences to ANKC Ltd in the document should be removed.

CARRIED

<u>For the Office</u>: Please refer the approval of this Rule Change to the Chair of the National Slep Sports Event Committee for onforwarding to ANKC Ltd.

6.18.3 **Recommendation 2 – Item 7: Application for Trial/Test Date**

MOVED R Britten SECONDED P Cutler THAT the Committee's recommendations in relation to Trial/Test dates be APPROVED. CARRIED

MOVED V Etherington OAM SECONDED P Cutler THAT the Minutes of the Sporting Committee be **RECEIVED**.

CARRIED

6.19 Spring Fair Dog Show Committee – 17/08/2017

6.19.1 **2018 Judges**

Director J Seary requested a list of the Judges for the 2018 Spring Fair Show to be submitted to the next Board of Directors meeting.

MOVED P CutlerSECONDED J Seary**THAT** the Minutes of the Spring Fair Dog Show Committee be **RECEIVED**.

CARRIED

6.20 Stewards & Representatives Committee

The Board noted that this Committee did not meet.

6.21 Visiting Overseas Conformation Judges Evaluation Committee The Board noted that this Committee did not meet.

7. ANKC LTD MATTERS

SECONDED N Keck

7.1 Electronic Motion 150/2017: Belgian Shepherd Dog Intervariety Breeder Application- COB Monday 30 October 2017

MOVED J Seary SECONDED R Britten **THAT** the Board of Directors supports EM#150/2017 in regards to the Belgian Shepherd Dog Intervariety Breeder Application.

CARRIED

7.2 Expressions of Interest – CACIB Shows – COB Friday 29 September 2017

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(Refer Item 6.17.1 above)

MOVED P Cutler THAT the ANKC Ltd matters be **RECEIVED.**

CARRIED

8. <u>CORRESPONDENCE</u>

8.1 Anatolian Shepherd Dog Club Inc-Affiliation Matters

MOVED M Wheeler **THAT** the request for the Anatolian Shepherd Dog Club Inc for permission to have an interstate office bearer be **DECLINED**.

> LAPSED For want of a seconder

MOVED N Keck

SECONDED R Britten

THAT the request for the Anatolian Shepherd Dog Club Inc for permission to have an interstate office bearer be **APPROVED**.

<u>CARRIED</u>

MOVED R BrittenSECONDED P Cuter**THAT** the Anatolian Shepherd Dog Club Inc be notified that the Regulations state that they are
allowed to have one Championship Show biannually and that they are only required to have a
minimum of 10 members who are also Dogs NSW Members.

CARRIED

9. BUSINESS ADJOURNED FROM PREVOUS MEETINGS - NIL

10. GENERAL BUSINESS

10.1 Breed Standards Committee – Cloning of Companion Animals

MOVED P Cutler SECONDED V Etherington OAM **THAT** the correspondence in regards to the Cloning of Companion Animals be received.

CARRIED

10.2 Correct Format for Submitting Regulation Changes

MOVED P Cutler SECONDED J Seary **THAT** the advice from Director M Arthur in regards to the proper format for Motions to Amend Regulations be noted, ie:-

• Current Regulation to be quoted

- Proposed Regulation to be quoted
- Rationale for amendment to be included

| | <u>C</u> | <u>ARRIED</u> |
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| MEETING CLOSED: | 7.46pm | |
| NEXT MEETING: | Wednesday 11 October 2017 @ 12.00noon to allow sufficient ti | me for |
| | discussion of the ANKC Ltd 2017 October Conference Agenda (lunch | to be |
| | provided @ 1.00pm) | |