

**MINUTES** of a meeting of the BOARD OF DIRECTORS held via ZOOM CONFERENCING on **Wednesday 11 August 2021** commencing @ 2.00pm

PARTICIPATION: K Hedberg BVSc N Keck

L Brown J Seary
J Sheppard G Spagnolo
L Brand P Cutler
M Arthur E Pickering
R Britten C Rafton
V Etherington OAM R Harbin

IN ATTENDANCE: V Gagan-Wilson (Company Secretary), L Hadley (Committee Secretary)

APOLOGIES: NIL

NOT IN ATTENDANCE: A Lee

#### 1. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

## 1.1 Electronic Meeting 28/7/2021

MOVED J Seary SECONDED N Keck

**THAT** the Minutes of the ELECTRONIC meeting of the Board of Directors held on 28 July 2021 be **confirmed**:-

**CARRIED** 

#### 1.2 Special Zoom Meeting – 2/8/2021

MOVED J Sheppard SECONDED J Seary

**THAT** the Minutes of the Special Zoom meeting of the Board of Directors held on 2 August 2021 be **confirmed**:-

**CARRIED** 

P Cutler abstained C Rafton, V Etherington OAM not in attendance L Brand not in attendance for part of meeting

## 1.3 Special Zoom Board meeting – 7 July 2021

Director L Brand expressed her concern to the meeting in respect of the lateness of the DPI report provided to the Special Board Meeting held via Zoom Conferencing on 7 July 2021, which denied her the opportunity to properly digest the information contained within prior to making a decision on the report.

Consequently, Director L Brand suggested a motion be moved so that no late items be placed on future Board meeting Agenda that are received less than 24 hours prior to the scheduled meeting.

Options for addressing this issue were discussed.

MOVED V Etherington OAM

SECONDED R Britten

**THAT**, on receipt of Board agenda Items received after the close of the Agenda, the Company Secretary have dialogue with the President in respect of the importance of those items as to whether or not they should be included on the Agenda for the upcoming Board meeting.

**CARRIED** 

L Brand against C Rafton abstained

Directors were requested to ensure that they include a rationale as to why a specific item should be placed on the Board Agenda as a "late item".

## 2. GENERAL BUSINESS TO BE DEALT WITH IN CAMERA

#### 2.1 Executive Committee Decisions

#### 2.1.1 ECD22/2021-2019/2020 CJEP Practical Examination-Closing Date for Applications

MOVED L Brown

SECONDED R Britten

**THAT** the decisions of the Executive Committee in ECD22/2021, which read as follows, be **endorsed**:-

**THAT** the closing date for applications for the 2019/2020 Conformation Judges Education Program Practical Examination be <u>DEFERRED</u> to a date to be advised and in accordance with the NSW Government's future announcements in respect of the COVID-19 lockdowns.

**CARRIED** 

**MOVED L Brown** 

SECONDED R Britten

**THAT** the Committee Secretary/Examinations Administrator be requested to advise all Trainees and Group Co-ordinators that the previous decision of the Executive Committee on 30 March 2021 to change the status of all Trainees to Distance Trainees is still in place.

**CARRIED** 

C Rafton, P Cutler abstained

## 2.2 Operations Manager's Report – July 2021

#### 2.2.1 Items for Noting

The Board noted the following items in the Operations Manager's Report as follows:-

- Orchard Hills Lease & Other Government Related Matters
- ANKC Database Member Portal -Deceased Dogs Feature
- Soil Mound Removed
- Concrete Footpaths
- Operation Statistics

MOVED N Keck

SECONDED P Cutler

**THAT** the Operations Manager's Report for end July 2021 be **received.** 

**CARRIED** 

### 2.3 Finance Committee – 28/7/2021

# 2.3.1 Recommendation 1 – Item 6.6: Members Education Course 2022 - Application Form and Fee

**MOVED P Cutler** 

SECONDED G Spagnolo

**THAT** Recommendation 1, which reads as follows, be approved:-

**THAT** the fee for the 2022 Members Education Course be \$125.00 (incl GST) as determined by the Finance Team Lead.

**CARRIED** 

#### 2.3.2 Recommendation 2 – Item 7.1: Sheep Purchase – Fencing

**MOVED P Cutler** 

SECONDED L Brand

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

**THAT** DOGS NSW <u>not</u> consider installing temporary fencing in the Herding Area due to prohibitive costs.

**CARRIED** 

## 2.3.3 Recommendation 3 – Item 7.2: Regional Grants

**MOVED L Brand** 

SECONDED V Etherington OAM

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

**THAT** the new Regional Grant Application Form as developed by the Operations

Manager as per the Finance Committee's instructions be approved.

**CARRIED** 

## 2.3.5 Recommendation 5 – Item 8.1.1.2: New Process for I&E Statements

MOVED L Brown

SECONDED R Britten

THAT Recommendation 5, which reads as follows, be approved:-

**THAT** the Board endorses and adopts the new process for I&E Statements as outlined by the Finance Team Lead.

CARRIED

#### 2.3.6 Recommendation 6 – Item 8.1.2: Financial Statements as @ 30 June 2021

MOVED L Brown

SECONDED R Britten

**THAT** the Board <u>NOT</u> approve the Financial Statements as @ 30 June 2021 and the matters raised by Director C Rafton, as detailed above, be referred back to Finance Team Lead for a response and a Special Meeting of the Board be convened when a satisfactory response to those queries has been received.

**CARRIED** 

MOVED J Sheppard

SECONDED R Britten

**THAT** the Minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held on 28 July 2021 be received.

**CARRIED** 

#### 2.4 Judges Committee

The Board noted that this Committee did not meet.

# 2.5 **Compliance Investigative Panel**

## 2.6 Animal Welfare & Community Liaison Officer Report – July 2021

#### 2.6.3 **Ancillary Items**

**MOVED L Brown** 

SECONDED P Cutler

**THAT** the Information reported under "Ancillary Items" in the Animal Welfare & Community Liaison Officer's report be forwarded to Media & Government Legislation Committee for their next meeting for notification.

**CARRIED** 

**MOVED L Brand** 

SECONDED V Etherington OAM

THAT the Animal Welfare & Community Liaison Officer's Report for July 2021 be received.

**CARRIED** 

- 2.7 Aggressive Dogs NIL
- 2.8 Honours Awards 2021 Recommendations

#### 3. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

#### 4. JUDICIAL MATTERS

MOVED L Brown

**SECONDED E Pickering** 

**THAT** the Judicial Co-ordinator's Report be **received**.

**CARRIED** 

# OPEN MEETING

#### 5. MOTIONS ON NOTICE

5.1 Identification of Natural Bob Tail on the ANKC Ltd Business System (Refer Item 2.1.4-BOD Minutes 14/7/2021)

#### 5.1.1 **Motion 1**

MOVED C Rafton

**SECONDED E Pickering** 

**THAT** ANKC Ltd endorse the recorded information of Natural Bob Tail, identified on the pedigree database as "NBT", as part of the printed information that appears as part of a dog's registered name or number, ensuring that this information is included in relation to their official identification.

**CARRIED** 

#### 5.1.2 **Motion 2**

MOVED C Rafton

**SECONDED E Pickering** 

**THAT** ANKC Ltd implement a dropdown identification code of 'VD', noting a Veterinarian Approved Docking, to be printed on all certificates of dogs pursuant to receipt of a certificate verifying that the dog has had this Veterinary procedure in line with legislation.

**CARRIED** 

#### 5.1.3 **Motion 3**

MOVED L Brown

SECONDED J Seary

**THAT** the implementation of VD be permitted on <u>all</u> dogs that have been previously registered under Vet Certification.

Director C Rafton agreed to amend her rationale so the implementation of inclusion of the suffix "VD" does not refer to dead dogs prior to submitting a motion to ANKC Ltd.

Meeting recessed @ 3.56pm Meeting resumed @ 4.20pm

#### 6. MONTHLY REPORTS

#### 6.1 Company Secretary's Report

### 6.1.1 Recommendation 1 – Item 1.1: Application for Affiliation – Gulgong Show Society

MOVED V Etherington OAM

SECONDED N Keck

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

**THAT** the Board accepts the application for Associate Affiliation from the Gulgong Show Society.

**CARRIED** 

## 6.1.2 Recommendation 2 – Item 1.2.1: Ballot Paper Envelopes - Lick & Seal v Press & Seal

Director C Rafton drew to the attention of Directors that corporate entities are required to provide press and seal and replied paid envelopes for elections. Further, that Postage Paid is only charged for those envelopes that are actually posted.

MOVED N Keck

SECONDED G Spagnolo

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

**THAT** DOGS NSW moves to using "press and seal" envelopes for Ballot Papers.

CARRIED

L Brand abstained

#### 6.1.3 Recommendation 3 – Item 1.2.2: Replied Paid Post

MOVED L Brown

SECONDED M Arthur

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

**THAT** DOGS NSW moves to providing REPLIED PAID envelopes for the posting of Ballot Papers to the Returning Officer.

**CARRIED** 

**MOVED L Brand** 

SECONDED V Etherington OAM

**THAT** the Company Secretary's Report be **received**.

**CARRIED** 

## 1.2 Agility Committee - 19/7/2021

## 6.2.1 Recommendation 1 – Item 7: Approval of Trial Dates

MOVED C Rafton SECONDED V Etherington OAM

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

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

**CARRIED** 

#### 6.2.2 Recommendation 2 – Item 8.8: Not For Competition at DOGS NSW Approved Trials

MOVED V Etherington OAM

SECONDED C Rafton

**THAT** Recommendation 1, which reads as follows, be approved:-

**THAT** the NFC rules for Agility Dog Open & Jumping Dog Open be updated as per attached.

**CARRIED** 

MOVED V Etherington OAM

SECONDED C Rafton

THAT the Minutes of the Agility Committee meeting held on 19 July 2021 be received.

**CARRIED** 

## 6.3 Agility Judges Committee

The Board noted that this Committee did not meet.

## 6.4 **Breed Assessment & Temperament Test Committee**

The Board noted that this Committee did not meet.

#### 6.5 **Breed Standards Committee**

The Board noted that this Committee did not meet.

## 6.6 Complex Development Working Party

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 Constitution & Regulations Working Party

The Board noted that this Committee did not meet.

## 6.9 Dances With Dogs/Trick Dog Committee

The Board noted that this Committee did not meet.

## 6.10 Facebook Page Working Party

The Board noted that this Committee did not meet.

#### 6.11 Grounds Committee

The Board noted that this Committee did not meet.

#### 6.12 Library & Archives Committee

## 6.13 Media & Government Legislation Committee - 2/8/2021

MOVED C Rafton

SECONDED V Etherington OAM

**THAT** the Minutes of Media & Government Legislation Committee meeting held on 2 August 2021 be **received**.

**CARRIED** 

## 6.13.1 Response from Minister – DPI/RSPCA Breeder Audits

**MOVED L Brand** 

SECONDED R Britten

**THAT** the Board notes the response received from Minister Adam Marshall on 4 August 2021 to DOGS NSW request of 11 & 26 February 2021 regarding the inspection of dog breeders in NSW.

**CARRIED** 

#### 6.14 Members Education Committee

The Board noted that this Committee did not meet.

#### 6.14.1 Prefix Working Party – Supervision of MEPP Theory Examinations at Orchard Hills

MOVED R Britten

SECONDED N Keck

**THAT**, during the COVID restrictions, the Board approves the MEPP theory examinations normally supervised at Orchard Hills to be undertaken via ZOOM Conferencing by either laptop or telephone with 3 or 4 people at one time and the Committee Secretary/Examination Administrator to supervise. Premises inspections can be undertaken by photographs with a formal inspection once COVID restrictions have been lifted.

**CARRIED** 

## 6.15 Obedience & Tracking Committee – August 2021

#### 6.15.1 Recommendation 1 – Item 7 – Approval of Trial Dates

MOVED V Etherington OAM

SECONDED P Cutler

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

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

**CARRIED** 

**MOVED R Britten** 

SECONDED P Cutler

**THAT** the Minutes of the Obedience & Tracking Committee meeting held in August 2021, be **received**.

**CARRIED** 

# 6.16 Obedience & Tracking Judges Committee

The Board noted that this Committee did not meet.

#### 6.17 Public Relations Committee

## 6.18 Retrieving & Field Trials Committee - 3/8/2021

#### 6.18.1 Recommendation 1 - Item 6: Trial Dates

MOVED R Britten SECONDED C Rafton **THAT** Recommendation 1, which reads as follows, be **approved**:-

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

**CARRIED** 

# 6.18.2 Recommendation 2 – Item 8.3: Mr G Bridges – Restricted Retrieving Trial Judges Panel Examination

MOVED R Britten SECONDED J Seary

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

**THAT** the Board approves Mr G Bridges to undertake examination for elevation to the Restricted Retrieving Trial Judges Panel.

**CARRIED** 

MOVED R Britten SECONDED J Seary

**THAT** the Minutes of the Retrieving & Field Trials Committee meeting held on 15 July 2021 be received.

**CARRIED** 

#### 6.19 RNSWCC Health & Welfare Charity Limited – 2/8/2021

#### 6.19.1 Item 4.2: AMRRIC

Director N Keck requested this information be placed on the DOGS NSW website and other media platforms.

MOVED C Rafton

SECONDED V Etherington OAM

**THAT** the Minutes of the RNSWCC Health & Welfare Charity meeting held on 2 August 2021 be **received**.

CARRIED

#### 6.20 Show Committee

The Board noted that this Committee did not meet.

## 6.21 **Sporting Committee – 21/7/2021**

## 6.21.2 Recommendation 2 – Item 7 – Approval of Trial Dates

MOVED N Keck SECONDED P Cutler

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

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

**CARRIED** 

MOVED C Rafton SECONDED J Seary

**THAT** the Minutes of the Sporting Committee meeting held on Wednesday 27 July 2021 be **received**.

**CARRIED** 

# 6.22 Spring Fair Dog Show Committee

## 7. ANKC LTD MATTERS

## 7.1 ANKC Limited Register Working Party – Golden Retriever Club of NSW – Expression of Interest

MOVED C Rafton

SECONDED P Cutler

**THAT** the expression of interest from the Golden Retriever Club of NSW to have a representative from their Club as a member of the National Limited Register Working Party be taken on advisement and the Club be advised that the issue of the Limited Register and other registries is currently being reviewed by the ANKC and when a determination is assessed and approved it will be announced and the Board thanks the Club for its input, consideration and concern.

**CARRIED** 

#### 7.3 Expression of Interest to Conduct CACIB Shows

**MOVED E Pickering** 

SECONDED R Britten

**THAT** ANKC Ltd be advised that DOGS NSW will be conducting a CACIB Show in conjunction with the Royal Canin International Spring Fair on 26 August 2022 & 1 September 2023.

**CARRIED** 

### 8. CORRESPONDENCE

#### 8.1 N Rushforth – Vaccination Protocols

The President advised the meeting she had already responded to Mr N Rushforth and explained the history of the recent implementation by ANKC Ltd of the Vaccination Protocols.

MOVED L Brown

SECONDED E Pickering

**THAT** the correspondence from Mr N Rusforth be **REFERRED** to the National Health & Welfare Committee for consideration and response.

**CARRIED** 

## 9. BUSINESS ADJOURNED FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS – NIL

#### 10. GENERAL BUSINESS - NIL

## 10.1 DPI Meeting – Animal Reform Discussion Paper

The President advised the meeting that she, along with the senior Vice President and the Honorary Solicitor will be participating in a meeting with the DPI on Thursday 12 August 2021 and she will come back and have a Zoom meeting with the Board to finalise DOGS NSW submission.

It was agreed to advise members via the Weekly Woof, including a copy of our submission, next Thursday.

Directors requested the President provide them with the outcome of tomorrow's meeting.

MEETING CLOSED 5.48pm

NEXT MEETING: Electronic Meeting week ending Friday 27 August 2021

Wednesday 8 September 2021 @ 2.00pm