



MINUTES of a meeting of the BOARD OF DIRECTORS held ELECTRONICALLY on **Friday 3 February 2022**

PARTICIPATION:

L Brand	E Pickering
C Rafton	K Hedberg BVSc
P Cutler	R Privett
R Harbin	K Charnock
V Etherington OAM	A McIra
N Keck	G Vernon
G Spagnolo	S Mills
J Sheppard	

NO RESPONSE: K Hedberg BVSc, G Vernon

1. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

MOVED P Cutler

SECONDED R Privett

THAT the Minutes of the following Board of Directors meetings/Electronic Motion be **confirmed**:-

- 1.1 **Meeting - 8/12/2021**
- 1.2 **Special Meeting – 20/12/2021**
- 1.3 **Special Meeting – 19/1/2022**
- 1.4 **Electronic Motion – 25/1/2022**

CARRIED

2. GENERAL BUSINESS TO BE DEALT WITH IN CAMERA

2.1 Executive Committee Decisions

MOVED N Keck

SECONDED V Etherington OAM

THAT the decisions of the Executive Committee, as follows, be **endorsed**:-

2.1.1 ECD34/2021 – AWCLO Letter to Council – **APPROVED**

THAT the letter to Cessnock City Council as drafted by the AWCLO be amended so that it goes directly from the owners of the property to the Council with the acknowledgment that the DOGS NSW Animal Welfare & Community Liaison Officer has inspected the premises and her comments relate to the care and welfare of the dogs as show and breeding dogs.

2.1.2 ECD35/2021 – Amendments to the CJEP – **Referred to Special Meeting 20/12/2021**

2.1.3 ECD36A/2021 – Aspiring Judges Regulations & Application - **APPROVED**

THAT the Regulations and Application Form for the upcoming Aspiring Judges Training Program, attached at **ANNEXURE A**, be approved and published in the Weekly Woof being distributed Wednesday morning 22 December 2021.

2.1.4 ECD 36B/2021 – Aspiring Judges Criteria for Stewarding - **APPROVED**

THAT, for the 2022 Aspiring Judges Program, an exemption be given to applicants who have not satisfied the criteria of stewarding at six (6) shows and that an undertaking be given by those affected that they will complete the six (6) stewarding appointments prior to 30 June 2022.

AND

THAT the amended Application Form at **ANNEXURE A** be approved.

- 2.1.5 **ECD 37/2021 – NBT Dobermanns – DNA Testing – APPROVED**
THAT the following codicil be added to the resolution of the Dogs Australia Board, at its October 2021 meeting in relation to NBT Dobermanns as follows:-
***THAT** the DNA Test for purity of breed should be done by an independent recognised laboratory that is not the same company as the one that determined the presence of the NBT gene.*
AND THAT the DOGS NSW President forward this as an Electronic Motion to Dogs Australia.
- 2.1.9 **ECD 4/2022 – February Board Meeting – Change of Date – APPROVED**
THAT the Board of Directors meeting scheduled for Wednesday 2 February 2022 revert back to the normal Board meeting schedule of the “2nd Wednesday of the month” and, therefore, the meeting now be held on **Wednesday 9 February 2022 as a Face to Face** meeting.
- 2.1.10 **ECD 5/2022–Newcastle/Merewether CCC-Dispensation Annual Reporting-APPROVED**
THAT dispensation be granted to Newcastle & Merewether Combined Canine Club Inc, to **1 April 2022**, for submission of their 2020/2021 Annual Report and further dispensation be granted to relieve the Club from submission of any previous Annual Reports not received by DOGS NSW Office, in order that the draft schedule and advertisement can be lodged for approval of the Club’s upcoming show, scheduled for 10 & 11 June 2022, by the due date, ie, 10 February 2022.

CARRIED

2.2 **Compliance Investigative Panel**

The Board noted that the Compliance Investigative Panel did not meet.

3. **MONTHLY REPORTS**

3.1 **Agility Committee**

MOVED V Etherington OAM

SECONDED A McIlrath

THAT the Minutes of the following Agility Committee meetings be **received**:-

3.1.1 **Meeting 15/12/2021**

3.1.2 **Meeting 17/1/2022**

CARRIED

3.2 **Agility Judges Committee**

The Board noted that this Committee did not meet.

3.3 **Breed Assessment & Temperament Test Committee**

The Board noted that this Committee did not meet.

3.4 **Breed Standards Committee – 17/1/2022**

The Board noted that the Minutes of the Breed Standards Committee meeting held on 17 January 2022 have been forwarded to the February Board Meeting.

3.5 **Conformation Judges Training Committee**

The Board noted that this Committee did not meet.

3.6 **Constitution & Regulations Working Party**

The Board noted that this Committee did not meet.

3.7 Dances With Dogs/Trick Dog Committee – Nov 2021

MOVED R Privett

SECONDED V Etherington OAM

THAT the Minutes of the Dances With Dogs/Trick Dog Committee meeting held in November 2021 be **received**.

CARRIED

3.8 Grounds Committee – 27/1/2022

The Board noted that the Minutes of the Grounds Committee meeting held on 27 January 2022 have been forwarded to the February Board Meeting.

3.9 Library & Archives Committee

3.9.1 Meeting 9/12/2021

MOVED N Keck

SECONDED R Privett

THAT the Minutes of the Library & Archives Committee meeting held on 9 December 2021 be **received**.

CARRIED

P Cutler abstained

3.9.2 Meeting 20/1/2022

3.9.2.1 Recommendation 1 – Item 2: Purchase of Computer Equipment

MOVED N Keck

SECONDED R Privett

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

THAT a new desktop computer with twin screens and CD be purchased to replace to existing laptop which is not functioning correctly.

CARRIED

P Cutler abstained

3.9.2.2 Recommendation 2 – Item 7.2: Maintenance of Research & Development Building

MOVED N Keck

SECONDED R Privett

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

THAT the Grounds Committee be asked to organise gutter cleaning and cleaning and painting of verandah rails urgently.

CARRIED

P Cutler abstained

MOVED R Privett

SECONDED A McIlrath

THAT the Minutes of the Library & Archives Committee meeting held on 20 January 2022 be **received**.

CARRIED

P Cutler abstained

3.10 Media & Government Legislation Committee

The Board noted that this Committee did not meet.

3.11 Members Education Committee

The Board noted that this Committee did not meet.

3.12 Obedience & Tracking Committee

3.12.1 Meeting 9/12/2021

MOVED P Cutler

SECONDED N Keck

THAT the Minutes of the Obedience & Tracking Committee meeting held on 9 December 2021 be **received**.

CARRIED

3.12.2 Meeting 27/1/2022

3.12.2.1 Recommendation 1 – Item 5: Refund of Draft Schedule Fees

MOVED V Etherington OAM

SECONDED E Pickering

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

THAT the Obedience & Tracking Committee receive a refund for the Schedule fees paid for Endurance Test and the State Obedience Titles which were both cancelled in 2021. The total of the fees is \$66.00.

CARRIED

P Cutler abstained

MOVED E Pickering

SECONDED N Keck

THAT the Minutes of the Obedience & Tracking Committee meeting held on 27 January 2022 be **received**.

CARRIED

P Cutler against

3.13 Obedience & Tracking Judges Committee

3.13.1 Meeting 9/12/2021

3.12.2.1 Recommendation 1 – Item 7.9: DOGS NSW Regulations Part VI-Judges-Performance Disciplines, Section 5 – ADDITIONAL CLAUSE

MOVED V Etherington OAM

SECONDED R Privett

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

THAT DOGS NSW Regulations Part VI-Judges-Performance Disciplines, Section 5, be amended by the inclusion of an Additional Clause numbered 5.2, as follows:

Currently Reads:

- 5.1 All applications for the Obedience Judges Training Scheme must be made on the application forms approved by DOGS NSW. All requirements for specific classes must be fulfilled prior to the Trainee undertaking a Theory/or Practical Examination. DOGS NSW reserves the right to seek verification of any information provided by the applicant.*

To read:

5.1 All applications for the Obedience Judges Training Scheme must be made on the application forms approved by DOGS NSW. All requirements for specific classes must be fulfilled prior to the Trainee undertaking a Theory/or Practical Examination. DOGS NSW reserves the right to seek verification of any information provided by the applicant.

5.2 If a candidate passes a theory examination but fails to subsequently pass the practical examination, provided the candidate reapplies within three (3) years from the date of their original theory examination, the candidate will be exempt from resitting the Examination. If the application is made more than three (3) years from the date of their original theory examination, the applicant will be required to undertake an Open Book Examination of the rules appropriate for the level of elevation.

CARRIED

MOVED R Privett

SECONDED E Pickering

THAT the Minutes of the Obedience & Tracking Judges Committee meeting held on 9 December 2021 be **received**.

CARRIED

3.13.2 Meeting 27/1/2022

MOVED P Cutler

SECONDED E Pickering

THAT the Minutes of the Obedience & Tracking Judges Committee meeting held on 27 January 2022 be **received**.

CARRIED

3.14 Public Relations Committee

The Board noted that this Committee did not meet.

3.15 Retrieving & Field Trials Committee – 20/1/2022

3.16 RNSWCC Health & Welfare Charity Limited

MOVED P Cutler

SECONDED A McIlrath

THAT the Minutes of the following RNSWCC Health & Welfare Charity Limited meetings be **received**:-

3.16.1 **Meeting 6/12/2021**

3.16.2 **Meeting 24/1/2022**

CARRIED

3.17 Show Committee – 19/1/2022

The Board noted that the Minutes of the Show Committee meeting held on 19 January 2022 have been forwarded to the February Board Meeting.

3.18 Sporting Committee

The Board noted that this Committee did not meet.

3.19 Spring Fair Dog Show Committee

The Board noted that this Committee did not meet.

4. DOGS AUSTRALIA MATTERS

4.1 ANKC Ltd Survey – Rottweiler Owners

The Board noted that the advice from Dogs Australia on the ANKC Ltd Survey of Rottweiler Owners has been published in the Weekly Woof and the email forwarded to all financial DOGS NSW Rottweiler owners on the National Business System.

5. CORRESPONDENCE – NIL

6. BUSINESS ADJOURNED FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS – NIL

NEXT MEETING

Wednesday 9 February 2022 (Face to Face) commencing at 2.00pm