North American Flyball Association Inc.
Teleconference
April 18, 2007

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Present were: Executive Director Sam Ford
Board of Directors Brian Fay,
Glenn Hamilton,
Lee Heighton,
Todd Morningstar,
Kris Pickering,
Lisa Peckham,
Mike Smith,
Scott Stein

Called to order at 8:07 PM Central Time by Chairman Lee Heighton. Dale Smith was absent due to business reasons. In his absence, Dale gave his proxy to Lisa Peckham. Kris noted that if she had to leave to return to work, that she had given her proxy to Glenn Hamilton.

False Start Ballot and Pick-up Teams Polling

The Board reviewed the results of the recent ballot sent to the NAFA delegates including two False Start proposals and a query for interest from the community regarding Pick up Teams.

The first False Start proposal to remove the false start failed with 225 votes in favour of the proposal and 832 against. The second proposal to limit the number false starts to one per race also failed with 498 votes in favour of the proposal and 586 votes against.

The NAFA delegates favored the advisory proposal that the Board address pick up teams, voting 71% in favour of the advisory proposal (773 votes in favour and 291 votes against).

The board accepted as correct the results as published to the NAFA web site on April 14.

Height Card Challenge Form Final review

The Rules Committee has made a recommendation that the proposed Height Card Challenge (HCC) form C20 be divided into two parts, one to track the process of the form with a second half, C21, designed to track the judges’ reviews of the videos. Drafts of the revisions to proposed C20 and the new proposed C21 forms were distributed earlier but not all members were able to review them in advance.

Brian expressed concern that the information describing the date, location, and identification of the measuring judge be properly identified on the video. Glenn noted that all of that information was already required to be included by the rules.

Sam voiced a concern that the proposed C21 Form was too simplistic and didn’t offer enough opportunity for feedback from the Ad Hoc Review Committee. There are two major components in the submission of the videos: 1. Is the video acceptable in its presentation of the standing dog (bad lighting, poor positioning of dog, bad audio?) and 2. Is the stand acceptable?
It was determined that the proposed C21 form needed amendment to include larger areas for reporting findings of the following:

  - Is it a good video? (if not why)
  - Is the audio acceptable? (if not why)
  - Is the stand acceptable? (if not why)

**Development of Criteria for Pickup Teams**

The board discussed at length the criteria appropriate for pickup teams. Many points were debated and reviewed with the result being a mandate from the board to the Rules Committee outlining requirements of new rules to be put in place for Pick-up Teams in the October 1, 2007 rulebook.

Scott left the meeting at 10:20 giving his proxy to Brian.

**Hobbes Pins**

Lee reported that the manufacturing of the latest batch of Hobbes pins is almost complete and will be delivered to the ED shortly. A new manufacturer will be sought for future production.

**Electronic Judging Systems**

The Board discussed the need for clearer standards as to the number of teams needed to be entered into events for NAFA to send two sets of lights. The Executive Committee will meet to establish the correct criteria for managing the number of EJSs required for one and two day events to alleviate the concern.

Todd moved that we adjourn the meeting. Glenn seconded. There was unanimous consent.

Meeting adjourned at 11:12PM Central.