# NAFA® Board of Directors Meeting, August 1, 2015, Detroit MI - Agenda: Officers' Reports

# **Chair's Comments:**

Leerie welcomes everyone. We have a full agenda and will mind our time to get Neil and Dale to their flights. Future Board Meetings:

AGM will be in Texas and hosted by Dogz Rule.

May Meeting: We will wait until the new board is in place to accommodate schedules.

#### **Executive Director's Comments:**

Lee spoke highly of the 3 RD's who have retired over the past several months and thanked them for their service to NAFA. Lee mentioned that finding new RDs is a difficult task and he has found 3 acting RD's to present to the board for approval.

The departing RD's are: R13 Cindy Henderson; R11 Mike Pape; R20 Natalie Cornell

Incoming RD's are:

#### R11 Barb Miller

Dale Moves Dirk 2nds approval of Barb Miller.

Lee spoke of Barb's ability to work well in the region.

Motion carries with no opposition.

#### R13: Terri Parrow Botsford

Dale moves Karen 2nds the approval of Terri as RD of region 13.

Motion carries with no opposition

#### **R20 Paul Rioux**

Dirk moves, John 2nds the approval of Paul as RD of region 20.

Motion carries with no opposition.

## **Treasurer's Report:**

Karen presented the balance sheet. Still moving \$\$s from one bank to the new accounts. Paypal account has transfer in progress to savings account. Assets have not changed.

YTD - \$27K as net income. Also included incoming \$\$s for CanAm.

EJS shipping is down from last year at this time.

#### **Secretary's Report:**

May meeting minutes were approved and published.

#### **Standing Committee Reports -**

# Judges Committee:

• Exception for Region 18 Apprentices

The Judges Committee granted exceptions to the apprentice judges in Alaska allowing Curtis to act as a Supervising Judge for one of their assignments. The committee also allowed other minimums to be adjusted. Both new judges traveled to California to complete a judging assignment.

The specific exceptions to the judging program were:

Allow 2 assignments on one weekend.

Extend the time frame to 18 months.

If a Supervising Judge visits Alaska, they can complete an assignment even if there are not 25 races judged.

Allow additional assignments (since they could have long periods between assignments) completed under Curtis in Alaska but it cannot be the first or last assignment and can be less than 25 races.

Dale moves, Neil 2nd's to approve the actions of the judges committee. Motion carries with no opposition.

#### • Promotions

Brad Brown: Apprentice to Provisional

Sam moved to accept the judges committee recommendation. Dirk seconded promoting Brad Brown from Apprentice to Provisional.

Dirk, Neil and John have seen Brad in some of his sessions and feels he will continue to progress into being a good judge.

Motion carries with no opposition

Justin Ernst Apprentice to Provisional:

John moved to accept judges committee recommendation. Dirk seconded the promotion of Justin Ernst from Apprentice to Provisional.

Neil saw him working out of region and feels he'll make a good judge. Lee also spoke on his behalf.

Motion carries no opposition

John Forseth Apprentice to Provisional:

John moved to accept judges committee recommendation. Sam seconded the promotion of John Forseth from Apprentice to Provisional.

He will benefit from more ring time and is diligent.

Motion carries with no opposition.

Kyle Gilson Provisional to Approved:

Dale moved to accept judges committee recommendation. Sam seconded the promotion of Kyle Gilson from Provisional to Approved.

Neil and John spoke on Kyle's behalf. He is a hard worker and will benefit from more time in the ring.

Motion carries with no opposition.

John Bescher Approved to Supervising:

The judges committee reports the application looks excellent. John has taken the initiative to run seminars for line judging, running the table etc., he meets all of the qualifications and comes highly recommended. The committee also reports there is a large number of Supervising Judges in his area. John requested the committee to put his application on 'hold' instead of being considered.

# **Rules Committee:**

Supervising Judge appearing in rulebook

The committee was asked to consider changing rules specifying NAFA Approved Judge to include Supervising Judge. The committee determined that current wording does need to change and that Supervising Judges are considered to be approved.

The board agrees that the current wording considers a Supervising Judge to be an approved judge.

Height Card Challenge Review Panel – There is no intent to exclude supervising judges.

Record Times - Video "Tape"

Dale moved to remove 'tape'. Sam seconded the removing the word 'tape' from instances in the rule book specifying "Video Tape".

Motion carried with now opposition.

## C.12 Appeal Process - \$25 Fee

Dale moved and John seconded instituting a \$25 fee to the Appeal process to be refunded if the excusal is overturned.

The review panel requests a cost to appeal as all excusals are being appealed. It takes a good deal of time and resources to review every appeal.

Motion carried with no opposition.

# Finance:

The finance committee has no additional reports outside the treasurer reports.

#### **Marketing Committee:**

Jr. Participant Pins

JR handler pin contest is ongoing through Aug 20<sup>th</sup>.

Kim displayed some designs that had already been submitted.

## CanAm t-shirt design

Kim showed us the submitted CanAm T-Shirt designs. The board appreciates the effort that was taken in the design process.

# **Hotel Codes**

Dirk has been working to gather the hotel codes available for our competitors to help save money.

The Red Roof Inn code will allow competitors 20% discount

Using the LaQuinta code NAFAFB2 will get our competitors a 10% discount and can be used by anyone at any time. Teams hosting tournaments can reserve a block under our code and can get the discount and pay later. (this makes little sense)

Motel 6 – we shared the AKC number with our people.

Dirk will review the information quarterly to see how many people are using it.

# **Disciplinary Committee:**

Requests to Expunge Excusals

Murdoch - 100054

Ramses - 111044

Dirk moved, Dale seconded to expunge the excusals of Murdoch 100054 and Ramses 111044.

The board reviewed evidence of both dogs having successfully completed the necessary number of tournaments and time with no other evidence of aggression.

Motion carries with no opposition.

# **Review Panel:**

Zip - 140312 - 07/19/2015

Crowley - 120559 - 07/19/2015

Alice - 110850 - 06/21/2015

Leila - 150429 - 06/21/2015

Trixie - 110129 - 06/20/2015

Rooster – 100670 – 05/31/2015 Non-aggression excusal

Charlie 120901 - 05/17/2015 - upheld on appeal

Disciplinary Committee Report:			Effective Date(s)
Cash, 140545	Suspension	Two aggression excusals	04/25/2015
Tommie, 100016	Suspension	Two aggression excusals	06/08/2014
Taj, 090259	Suspension	Two aggression excusals	05/04/2014
Tux, 100191	Suspension	Two aggression excusals	10/29/2013
Roxie, 051102	Suspension	Two aggression excusals	8/22/2011
Gimli, 040608	Suspension	Two aggression excusals	11/17/2008
Junior, 000165	Suspension	Two aggression excusals	07/13/2002
Tucker, 960374	Suspension	Two aggression excusals	06/24/1996
Marion Brinkman	Suspension	Conduct prejudicial to the sport of NAFA flyball	Indefinitely
Mike Mattos	Suspension	Conduct prejudicial to the sport of NAFA flyball	Indefinitely
Janet Nelson Morris	Suspension	Conduct prejudicial to the sport of NAFA flyball	Indefinitely
Dave Mueller	Suspension	Conduct prejudicial to the sport of NAFA flyball	Indefinitely
Cheryl Mueller	Suspension	Conduct prejudicial to the sport of NAFA flyball	Indefinitely
Jennifer Nelson	Suspension	Conduct prejudicial to the sport of NAFA flyball	Indefinitely

#### **Nominating Committee:**

Dana Hanson has stepped down from the Nominating Committee. The board thanks Dana for his work over the past few years. Kyle Mankes is approved as the new head of the nominating committee. Nominations open today.

#### **Election Committee:**

No Report – there is a written schedule for the committee to follow starting in August.

# **Special Committee Reports**

## **Technology Committee:**

Need to follow up on the next generation EJS issues that we talked about prior to the last meeting. The committee still hasn't received a list of database upgrades that Lee/Leerie want

# **NAFA/Flyball History Committee:**

Nothing to report

#### **Old Business:**

# **New Business:**

C.9 Form – From Neil to review multiple C.9s for multiple judges at events. Database changes would
be able to let multiple C.9s be entered for events. John motioned to ensure the rulebook reflects that
any judge judging, either races or measuring, is approved by the tournament director. Dirk seconded.
Motion carried.

• Dale motioned that each C9 form will reflect all measurements performed by an individual judge at an event. Sam seconded. Motion carried.

# **Height Cards**

#### Non-regular classes

Dale moved and Karen seconded the rulebook be amended to require ED approval of all non-regular classes.

Motion carries with no opposition

**Backstops** - Request to change the maximum distance a backstop may protrude into the lanes from 2' to 3'. This will help accommodate most backstops in narrow venues. Dale moved and Neil seconded to change the measure from 2' to 3' and adjust the diagram(s) and wording in the rulebook accordingly.

Motion carries with no opposition.

Alan Conroy asked for adding Inactive vs Active to top breed reports. -

Leerie asked to enter executive session at 10:09 AM

Exited executive session.

The board made significant changes to the world record and height card challenge processes for the upcoming rulebook.

Post the following to the NAFA NEWS email group within a few days:

- >Announce New RD's
- >Announce Judge progressions
- >The board approved an anonymous height card challenge. Procedures will be updated to do this.
- >Changes to the Height Card Challenge Process...made improvements to the challenge process to ensure anonymity and to allow more people to challenge a card.

Dirk moved, Sam seconded to adjourn.

The motion carries with no opposition.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:43pm