

Minutes

NAFA® Board of Directors Meeting, December 19, 2020

Held via Zoom Meeting due to COVID-19 Travel Restrictions

Attendees:

Jonathan Bescher
Steve Corona
Leerie Jenkins
Kathy Haney
Kurt Johnson
Emma Mak
Lynda Mantler

ED: Neil Flood
Recorder: Karen Oleson

The meeting was called to order at 5:04 pm CST

Officers' Reports

Chair's Comments:

- Steve welcomed the board members to the meeting.
- The flyball community seems to appreciate the monthly meetings and transparency.
- Regarding the virtual AGM, Neil has signed NAFA up with a Zoom business account which will allow us to have 300 people in attendance.
- Steve suggested that we allow RDs and judges a 10-15-minute heads-up on the dial in information.
- Jon reports we can allow RDs and judges in from the waiting room first, then bring in the other participants. There can also be multiple co-hosts and everyone can be put on mute when joining.
- Neil. A communication will be sent with information regarding how to register to attend the AGM.
- Leerie. Inform everyone that we will record it and publish soon after. If participants want to ensure their question is asked at the AGM, they should pre-submit any questions.
- Karen to create Google Sign-up document for that.

Executive Director's Comments:

1. NAFA Tournament Timetable for FY 2021
 - A vaccine is on the horizon, however there are many cases in the US and Canada.
 - Neil's opinion is to close for March and perhaps have a staggered start for events.

Leerie moved to extend tournament shutdowns through March 2021, Jon seconded.

Steve took the board into executive session at 5:30pm.

Exit executive session at 5:41pm

The board discussed potential reopening target dates and strategies.

Motion to suspend tournament shutdowns carried with no opposition.

2. Follow-up on "tournament best practices" document sent to board members for when racing resumes.
 - o A region 5 competitor shared information that can be utilized for best practices.
 - o Neil believes we are at a point now that because of the vaccine delay, a decision can be made that any flyball that takes place in 2021 will be pointless for championships. No regional points, no ROCC points no NAFA champion. Leerie moved that there will be no overall NAFA champions, Regional champions or ROCC for the 2021 racing year. Emma seconded. Motion carried with no opposition.

3. Neil sent the board an email regarding the World Cup. It is uncertain if the event will be held in 2021 based on the current epidemic situation in the world.

Treasurer's Report:

Nothing to report

Secretary's Report:

Minutes of the November 15, 2020 board meeting have been approved and published.

Election Committee:

1. Kathy. Update on current election cycle.
 - o The first round of Q & A has been posted to the NAFA Blog. The committee is hoping for more participation from the NAFA community during the upcoming chat and Q & A panel.
2. Steve. Things are running smoothly with the Big Pulse.

Standing Committee Reports

Judges Committee:

1. Judges requirements for FY 2021
 - o We need to decide what the requirements will be for 2021.
2. Jon moved to waive all judging requirements for 2021. Leerie seconded. Motion carried with no opposition.

Rules Committee:

1. Extending the time period for host clubs to keep their Reserved Weekends once racing reopens.
Leerie would like to make sure we take all situations into consideration.

The chair forwarded the issue to the Rules Committee for consideration.

2. Some additions and corrections will be made to the current rule book including adding the new approved Multibreed milestones.

Finance:

Nothing to report

Nominating Committee:

Nothing to report

Marketing Committee:

A cheque has been received from mylogoshop for \$2,462.00 after \$689 deduction for volunteer and judges' shirts for CanAm 2019

There was a total of 92 orders for the 2020 shirts. All shirts ordered prior to November 8 for USA destinations have been shipped. Canadian destination orders and orders received after November 8 are being processed now.

Comparison to previous year's sales has been requested from the supplier.

Disciplinary Committee:

Disciplinary Committee Report:			Effective Date
Bonnie Szoka	Suspension	Conduct prejudicial to the sport of NAFA flyball	05/01/2020
Grizzly, 160097	Suspension	Administrative excusal	05/01/2020
Preacher, 140875	Suspension	Administrative excusal	05/01/2020
Snickers, 150646	Suspension	Administrative excusal	05/01/2020
Strut, 110221	Suspension	Administrative excusal	05/01/2020
Whisper, 110704	Suspension	Administrative excusal	05/01/2020
Prank, 140408	Suspension	Administrative excusal	05/01/2020
Ripple, 120746	Suspension	Administrative excusal	05/01/2020
Daisy, 120612	Suspension	Administrative excusal	05/01/2020
Envy, 120477	Suspension	Administrative excusal	05/01/2020
Scout, 110222	Suspension	Administrative excusal	05/01/2020
Torch, 100047	Suspension	Administrative excusal	05/01/2020
Zonda, 090536	Suspension	Administrative excusal	05/01/2020
Style, 090142	Suspension	Administrative excusal	05/01/2020
Tonka, 080349	Suspension	Administrative excusal	05/01/2020
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
Marion Brinkman	Suspension	Conduct prejudicial to the sport of NAFA flyball	Indefinitely
Mike Mattos	Suspension	Conduct prejudicial to the sport of NAFA	Indefinitely

		flyball	
Janet Nelson Morris	Suspension	Conduct prejudicial to the sport of NAFA flyball	1998
Dave Mueller	Suspension	Conduct prejudicial to the sport of NAFA flyball	1998
Cheryl Mueller	Suspension	Conduct prejudicial to the sport of NAFA flyball	1998
Jennifer Nelson	Suspension	Conduct prejudicial to the sport of NAFA flyball	1998

Review Panel:

1. No excusals submitted for review.

Special Committee Reports

Technology Committee:

Nothing to report

Communications Committee:

Nothing to report

CanAm Steering Committee:

Nothing to report

Ad hoc Committee regarding procedures for Unsportsmanlike Charges:

Lynda and Leerie have been working to refine their proposal.

Special Measuring Committee:

1. Update by Emma Mak
 - a. Emma: On track for getting the recommendations to the board by January 1.
 - b. Steve reports that he is expecting the new ruler from Mike Smith in the next few days.

Old Business:

New Business:

Steve will send whenisgood for the January meeting, work on a communication for reopening, and work on the ZOOM meeting setup for the virtual AGM.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:48pm.