

IWANE Board Meeting Minutes
Conference Call ~ April 20, 2020
Part 2

Call to Order:

The IWANE president called the board meeting to order at 8:05pm. The following board members were present: Andrea Dormady (AD), Joni Light (JL), Janel Milner (JM), Pat Campbell (PC) and Colleen Brown (CB). Absent: Eileen Flanagan (EF) and John Fitzgerald (JF)

Agenda:

A conference call was scheduled in conjunction with the general meeting as per IWANE By-laws, Article II, Section 3. JL was recording the minutes. IWANE will be referred to as “The Club” henceforth. Agenda included discussion on the Specialty show and Fun Match.

Specialty Show:

AD outlined the timeline for the premium lists and when the money will need to be spent for the Specialty show in order to set a deadline for a decision on cancelling the show. Restrictions are still in place in most states with some states being stricter in the numbers that can safely gather in public settings. Consideration must also be made for our judge who is from the UK, and further restrictions will apply including mandatory quarantine at the country level. AD further explained that the AKC is being reasonable with requests for judge and date changes. Therefore, if the specialty is to move forward, we would have to consider a US judge, and would go down the list in order of voted. This means Fred Vogle could be considered first although he has underlying health issues and may not want to put himself at risk. Lynn Simon is next on the list but as he is a retired ER doctor and currently called back to work during the pandemic. Jon Cole is third on the list and we would have to consider other risks that may be posed.

AD confirmed that all AKC events have been cancelled through August at this time. PC explained that the hotels will be an issue as they are currently closed and will not be able to accommodate out of town guests. JL said that she is not comfortable attending large events should the Specialty move forward and brought concerns that many people would not attend even if restrictions are lifted. AD said that at a minimum The Club should provide masks for all guests and was unsure if keeping the show as scheduled would be prudent. CB also noted that a lot of money will be spent if the show does not happen. JM agreed and would like membership to weigh in before making a final decision on cancelling. The deadline to cancel before any money would need to be passed is May 20, 2020. The membership meeting is scheduled for May 9 and would be brought up at that time.

AD confirmed but also noted that the board would make that final decision to cancel, and that the membership would be posed the “what if” question to get an idea as to who would go. This would be on the agenda for discussion on May 9. JM agreed with this path and would like to take a tally on what they wanted to do, rather not take a vote on whether or not to cancel. No motion will be accepted to cancel.

JL explained that the Fun Match will be cancelled as the grounds are under stricter controls by the state and cancelled all events through June. AD suggested that if restrictions are lifted perhaps a “puppy match” or “fun day” can be held at her house whereby people could go in her yard and practice social distancing. Nobody would be allowed in her house, and if the weather was nice perhaps, she’d let kids use her pool. This will be reviewed. AD also added that with the AKC being more lenient, perhaps they

would allow The Club to simply move the Specialty to a later date in the year. This could be an option. JM confirmed that membership may suggested to move it into next year completely.

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 8:47pm by PC and seconded by CB. Motion passed unanimously.

Submitted and approved:

Approved

Joni Light

IWANE Secretary