

**IWANE Board Meeting Minutes
Conference Call ~ April 6, 2020**

Call to Order:

The IWANE president called the board meeting to order at 7:05pm. The following board members were present: Andrea Dormady (AD), Joni Light (JL), Janel Milner (JM), John Fitzgerald (JF), and Pat Campbell (PC). Colleen Brown (CB) joined at 7:10pm. Absent: Eileen Flanagan (EF)

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. Topics of discussion were specifically regarding the annual meeting, Fun Match, Standards of Conduct and Conflict of Interest, Breeder Referral list and application, approval of meeting minutes.

Annual Meeting:

AD confirmed that the St. Hubert's Kennel Club show to be held in May has been cancelled. As it was approved that the annual meeting (previously scheduled for April 25) be postponed until the sponsored show on May 9, it is necessary to postpone once again. AD said she is not adverse holding two meetings at the Fun Match to meet the obligations of the by-laws. Additionally, the by-laws do not allow for The Club to meet via conference call or video conferencing. JF said that given the circumstances perhaps The Club could be flexible as IWCA now allow for it in their by-laws. There was discussion on different scenarios of how it could potentially be held while adhering to the state's social distancing guidelines.

JF asked if the secretary can merely cast a single vote for the current slate as there is no opposing slate. AD explained that the vote had to be taken at an actual meeting. CB said the next meeting would need 5/6 voting members to meet the quorum requirements for holding a meeting. It was agreed by all that this could be met for a conference call in order to move forward with the annual meeting and annual vote of the board.

PC moved the motion to hold the annual meeting, formerly scheduled for April 25, 2020, to May 9 via Zoom Video Conferencing to allow for both video and audio conferencing, provided we can confirm 10% or 6 voting members to attend to meet a quorum: JL seconds. Motion accepted 6-0-0.

Annual Fun Match & Specialty Show:

AD asked JL if the match would likely be cancelled. JL said given that the state has orders in place to limit gatherings in excess of ten people through May 4, it may well be extended, and the match will have to be cancelled. JM said she has paid for the grounds. If the match must be cancelled, she would be amenable to them keeping the payment towards our event in 2021. JL said she would speak to the grounds.

Moving the discussion to the 2020 Specialty, AD said she has been in contact with the judge. If the travel bans are relaxed and gatherings of more than 5 people are lifted in CT (currently limited to gatherings of 5 through April 30) the judge would still likely have to be quarantined for 14 days upon return to the UK. This not a reasonable request to make of her. AD said she would ask if Fred Vogel, the 2021 judge, and see if he would be willing to take the assignment. AD also suggested that the Club provide masks for people showing dogs.

There was further discussion on the logistics of the show, hotel obligations and if certain deadlines could effectively be met. This will be revisited at the next membership meeting planned for May 9, 2020. (Noted previously.)

Ethics and Conflict of Interest, Breeder Referral:

AD asked if everyone read the policies that were sent out for discussion, and if there were any questions. JF asked if this was a total re-write or if it was being amended. JL explained that she and AD worked together by taking much of the IWCA policies and incorporating them into a more concise and organized manner to fit the needs of IWANE. There was one change to the Code of Conduct document suggested and was revised during the meeting.

AD explained that the Breeder Referral Application was revised to include that the applicant has read the Ethics and Conflict of Interest policy. It also includes an area to confirm health testing, which has been incorporated into the breeder standard in the ethics policy.

CB moved the motion to accept the revised IWANE Code of Ethics, IWANE Conflict of Interest and the Breeder Referral Application as reviewed, discussed, and amended, PC seconds. Motion accepted 6-0-0.

Meeting Minutes:

PC moved the motion to accept the meeting minutes of March 15, 2020 as amended, JM seconds. Motion accepted 6-0-0.

New Business:

JM shared Janney financials noting that the trust took a hit of approximately \$60,000.00. AD asked if the withdrawal of \$10,000.00 was made and JM suggested to wait until end of calendar year to ensure the market will increase. AD said that she preferred that amount deposited into the club operating account to have in an emergency, especially with the market being volatile at this time. CB agreed that it may be more beneficial to put in the bank unless Janney recommends leaving it.

There was further discussion on this point and questions were raised amongst the board.

PC moved the motion to continue with the withdrawal of \$10,000.00 from the Trust, as previously approved by the board, without membership approval due to the inability to effectively hold member meetings during the pandemic restrictions on large gatherings, and that the withdrawal be made in April to be deposited in the operating account. CB seconds. Motion approved 5-1-0. (JM opposed)

Meeting was adjourned at 8:11pm.

Submitted and approved: April 20, 2020 Executive Session

Joni Light

IWANE Secretary