

**IWANE Board Meeting Minutes  
November 13, 2021 ~ Conference Call**

**Call to Order:**

The IWANE president called the board meeting to order at approximately 11:14pm. The following board members were present: Andrea Dormady (AD), John Fitzgerald (JF), Karen Eberl (KE), Janel Milner (JM), Joni Light (JL), Colleen Brown (CB). Karen James (KJ) was absent.

**Agenda:**

A meeting was scheduled in conjunction with the general meeting as per IANE by-laws, Article II, Section 3. JL was recording the minutes. IWANE will be referred to as "The Club" henceforth. The items were discussed as per the agenda and may be in slightly different order as noted below.

**New Members:**

JL presented the application for Misty Riley from Searsport, Maine.

JL moved the motion to accept Misty Riley as an associate member of IWANE. CB seconded. Motion accepted unanimously.

**Treasurers Report:**

JM presented the board with the club finances to date. The operating bank account, which includes the approved Janney withdrawal of \$25K, is approximately \$60,013.73. The Janney account total was approximately \$622,989.86.

JM broke out the costs for the specialty: Specialty income of \$5,225.20 and trophy donations of \$688 were offset by the specialty expenses of \$1,066.30 and trophy costs of \$3,211 for a net of \$1,635.90 for the specialty.

Discussions around the trophies included a unanimous agreement to seek sponsorship of trophies and potentially placement ribbons. Additionally, AD requested that the club review the total number of Award of Merits with clubs approving 2 or 3 AOMs at a specialty. IWANE has been inconsistent in the number of AOMs. KE suggested choosing a number that is dependent on the number of entries. It was also suggested by JM that at the specialty, a spreadsheet be kept to better track fundraising items separate from the boutique items. JL said she will prepare a spreadsheet for any of the fundraising items, i.e., calendars and mugs.

**Rescue Update:**

AD shared with the board the recent placement of a 17-month-old male Irish Wolfhound to a home in Maine. The family was so pleased and made a generous donation of \$500 to our rescue fund.

**Committee Reports:**

JL asked if the board would like to remain at the 4H Fairgrounds in Westford, MA in 2022 as they are opening up to public events. They still have our payment from 2020. JF suggested bringing back some educational programs as there are new people with new puppies joining the club; this is a great opportunity to share knowledge. AD suggested we continue to seek other locations for future match events.

AD was seeking a board member to chair the nominating committee. JM said she would chair and look for two other members to join her.

JL asked that the board review the job description files she sent and make comments and return to her before Thanksgiving. They will be reviewed at a separate meeting in December.

KE confirmed that the specialty in 2022 will be held at Showcase for Dogs in CT on September 18 and September 19. The property owner is allowing set up on September 17. AD suggested that the board consider having a domestic judge for one more year as Covid is unpredictable and travel restrictions are inconsistent in many countries. The board will discuss and present to members at another meeting.

Approval of board meeting minutes – August 29, 2021:

CB moved the motion to approve the board minutes from August 29, 2021, as written. KE seconded. The motion was approved. KJ abstained.

CB moved the motion to adjourn the meeting. JL seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 12:30pm.

Submitted and approved: April 24, 2022

*Joni Light*  
IWANE Secretary