Summary of HWA Board Minutes Thursday September 8, 2016

The HWA Board of Directors met via teleconference on September 8, 2016, at the Quality Inn Hotel.

Attendance is as follows:

Chris Halvorson President Present
Patricia Nemeth Vice-President Present
Mike Logsdon Secretary Present
Michael Sites Treasurer Present
Lawrence Alexander At-large Absent

Stuart Eavenson
George Gordon
Kate Ostrowski
John Bell
Pat Bell Guest
Diane Cullan

At-large Absent
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Guest
Future Board
Future Secretary
Guest
Future Board

Secretary's Report - Mike Logsdon

The minutes of August 25, 2016 are accepted without change. It is noted that Pat Bell has graciously agreed to fill the role of secretary beginning in January, 2017 and is in attendance at this meeting. Mike Logsdon will serve as Secretary for a 13th month to help the new secretary transition into the position.

At the Annual General Membership meeting on Friday, September 9, 2016 at the Holly Hills Hunting Preserve, Mike Logsdon will by proxy cast one ballot for the new slate of directors for Year 2017.

At the upcoming annual meeting, Mike Logsdon will read the minutes from last year's general meeting.

No additional business was raised by the Secretary.

Chris Halvorson moved to accept the minutes. Patricia Nemeth seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report - Michael Sites

Beginning balance as of Aug 25, 2016: \$22,179.48 Income for Aug: \$730.00 Total expenses: \$12.10 Current balance as of September 6, 2016: \$22,897.38

There were no new membership applications: Total single members: 27 Total family members: 26 Total members 79

Most of the income was for the upcoming 2016 Nationals.

George Gordon moved to accept the financial report. Chris Halvorson seconded. Motion carried.

Discussion: Michael Sites also has a financial report prepared for the General meeting. Michael Sites stated that we are financially stable.

Events Planning Committee - Patricia Nemeth

We have obtained replacement ducks for this weekend's Nationals.

The meals are in good order, prepared by Marcia Hatfield.

The judges for Nationals are being hosted for dinner by Joyce Contofalsky. Rooms and gas stipend are also being offered.

We expect the banquet dinner count to be equal to previous years.

We want to the word to get out that HWA treats judges well. We understand that other clubs are not as generous.

Discussion: Question if a written contract exists. Are meals, gas arrangements included? Most judges do not charge and will not accept this type of stipend.

Other discussion included Board member's responsibilities specific to all of the events at Nationals. It is important to be at Holly Hills on time, to know who to call for help, and what channel walkie/talkie to phone numbers to have.

Kim Burrier is standing in for Lawrence Alexander. There is a "hold-over" rule existing that is confusing on this point that needs to be clarified. Another unclear rule relates to the starting line of the Senior test.

Scott Lichty has emailed that he is sending \$150 to HWA as a gratuity for the Fur Test collaboration with the ATCA.

Details for The Annual General Membership:

Kate will be responsible for rounding up people, starting at 4:15 pm.

According to ByLaws Article IV, Section 4: "In the event of an uncontested slate, there shall be no voting, and the Secretary shall cast one ballot for the slate at the Annual Meeting."

As per our ByLaws, Committee heads will give a report of their year's activities during this meeting, but we want to keep it all within the one-hour time frame, so plan to be succinct.

Typically we announce our Fur Test Qualifiers at this meeting. Since this is an ATCA Fur Test, it is appropriate to have Kim Burrier stand to announce the qualifiers

We will be selling hats at Nationals for \$15-20. It is a new design with "HWA" on the back.

Marketing/Fundraising - Michael Sites & Chris Halvorson

We have new attendees signed up for Nationals. We will ask them how they became interested in this event.

At the General meeting, we also need to give each new attendee a minute to introduce themselves.

The pre-event sales for the Limited Raffle Tickets were good this year. Pat Reed is in charge of the auction items. Ellen Gordon and Barb Tulanko will handle sales of new hats at Holly Hills. The Pre-sold tee-shirts did well this year. About 30 shirts pre-sold, with a profit of about \$8 per shirt.

Marketing

Discussion: Should the Marketing Committee continue? There are on-going marketing projects, such as Puppy Packet brochures available at Nationals. Sherri Glass has litters, Burriers and Weiss to have litters, and there may be more planned.

Versatile Airedale brochure is available and folks will be encouraged to spread them around.

Trophies - Patricia Nemeth

Thank you to Lawrence and Polly Alexander for sponsoring the Gunne3rs' Trophy this year.

Chris has printed certificates for First time participants to give out at Awards ceremony

Membership Committee – Mike Logsdon

We have printed copies of the membership renewal form for solicitation and distribution at Nationals.

Old Business

No old business.

New Business

The Board is requested to give permission to get contracts in place for next year and to set a date for next year's Nationals.

A member has requested permission to use our logo. The Board is OK with this.

Next Board meeting: Thursday, October 27, 2016 by teleconference.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by George Gordon and seconded by Chris Halvorson. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Logsdon, Secretary