



MINUTES of a meeting of the BOARD OF DIRECTORS held ELECTRONICALLY on **Wednesday 24 April 2024**

PARTICIPATION:

L Brand	C Rafton
S Oliver	K Hedberg BVSc
A McIrrath	G Spagnolo
R Privett	K Charnock
S McFadden	A Moy
L Brown	J Bryson

NO RESPONSE: S Mills, G Vernon, S Hannigan

1. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

MOVED S McFadden
THAT the Minutes of the **Face to Face Meeting held on 10 April 2024 be confirmed.**

SECONDED A McIrrath

CARRIED

L Brown abstained

2. GENERAL BUSINESS TO BE DEALT WITH IN CAMERA

2.1 **Executive Committee Decisions - NIL**

2.2 **Operations Manager's Report – NIL**

2.3 **Compliance Investigative Panel**

The Board noted that the Compliance Investigative Panel did not meet.

2.4 **Judges Committee**

The Board noted that this Committee did not meet.

2.5 **Company Secretary's Report**

MOVED L Brown
THAT the Company Secretary's Report be **received.**

SECONDED A McIrrath

CARRIED

2.6 **Serious Animal Welfare Committee – 8/4/2024**

MOVED L Brown
THAT the Minutes of the Serious Animal Welfare Committee meeting held on 8 April 2024 be **received.**

SECONDED S McFadden

CARRIED

2.7 **Confirmation of Approval to Purchase ISEKI Mower**
(Refer Item 3.3.1-BOD Minutes 13/3/2024)

MOVED S McFadden

SECONDED S Oliver

THAT the decision of the Board, at Item 3.3.1 of its meeting on 13 March 2024, which reads as follows, be confirmed in accordance with the RNSWCC Articles of Association, Article 50(b):-

THAT the Board approve the purchase of the ISEKI new Model SF310, 31hp, at 2500rpm, 1498cc Diesel, 2/4WD auto shift out front mower in this financial year – subject to confirmation of expenditure in accordance with the RNSWCC Articles of Association, Article 50(b).

CARRIED

L Brown abstained

3. **MONTHLY REPORTS**

3.1 **Agility Committee – 15/4/2024**

MOVED L Brown

SECONDED A McIlrath

THAT the Minutes of the Agility Committee meeting held on 15 April 2024 be **received**.

CARRIED

3.2 **Agility Judges Committee – 2/4/2024**

MOVED L Brown

SECONDED A McIlrath

THAT the Minutes of the Agility Judges Committee meeting held on 2 April 2024 be **received**.

CARRIED

3.3 **Breed Assessment & Temperament Test Committee**

The Board noted that this Committee did not meet.

3.4 **Breed Standards Committee**

The Board noted that this Committee did not meet.

3.5A **Conformation Judges Training Committee**

3.5A.1 **Meeting 28/2/2024**

3.5A.2 **Meeting 17/4/2024**

The Board noted that the Minutes of the Conformation Judges Training Committee meeting held on 17 April 2024 have not yet been received in the Office.

3.5B CJEP Examinations Committee – 23/4/2024

The Board noted that the Minutes of the CJEP Examinations Committee meeting held on 24 April 2024 have not yet been received in the Office.

3.6 Constitution & Regulations Review Working Party

The Board noted that this Working Party did not meet.

3.7 Grounds Committee – 18/4/2024

3.7.1 Note for Board - Item 5.6: Earthdog Major Event May 2024

MOVED L Brown

SECONDED R Privett

THAT the Note for Board, which reads as follows, be noted:-

THAT the proposed shed purchase for the Earthdog area, as approved by the Board, has become not viable with increased transport costs now making it too costly.

CARRIED

3.7.2 Recommendation 1 – Item 5.7: Marque Hire Companies

MOVED L Brown

SECONDED R Privett

THAT Recommendation 1, which reads as follows, be approved:-

THAT any Club hiring marques for placement at Orchard Hills must provide details on the Ring Booking System and provide details to the Grounds Supervisor as to delivery times and placement options and that this requirement be advised to all Clubs via email and the Weekly Woof.

CARRIED

MOVED L Brown

SECONDED S McFadden

THAT the Minutes of the Grounds Committee meeting held on 18 April 2024 be **received**.

CARRIED

3.8 Library & Archives Committee – 10/4/2024

3.8.1 Recommendation 1 – Item 7.4: New Committee Member

MOVED S Oliver

SECONDED A McIlrath

THAT Recommendation 1, which reads as follows, be approved:-

THAT Ms Sina Castiglione be approved as a member of the Library & Archives Committee.

CARRIED

MOVED S Oliver

SECONDED R Privett

THAT the Minutes of the Library & Archives Committee meeting held on 10 April 2024 be **received**.

CARRIED

3.9 Media & Government Legislation Committee – 16/4/2024

The Minutes of the Media & Government Legislation Committee meeting held on 16 April 2024 were **Referred to F2F meeting**

3.10 Members Education Committee

The Board noted that this Committee did not meet.

3.11 Obedience, Tracking & Performance Disciplines Committee

3.11.1 Meeting 11/3/2024

3.11.1.1 Recommendation 1 – Item 8.3: Trick Dog Working Party

MOVED S McFadden

SECONDED S Oliver

THAT Recommendation 1, which reads as follows, be approved:-

THAT the Office purchase Trick Dog Sashes for members to purchase when they apply for their Trick Dog Titles through the Office.

CARRIED

MOVED A McIlrath

SECONDED S McFadden

THAT the Minutes of the Obedience, Tracking & Performance Disciplines Committee meeting held on 11 March 2024 be **received**.

CARRIED

3.11.2 Meeting 15/4/2024

The Board noted that the Minutes of the Obedience, Tracking & Performance Disciplines Committee meeting held on 15 April 2024 have not yet been received in the Office.

3.12 Obedience, Tracking & Performance Disciplines Judges Committee – 11/4/2024

3.12.1 Recommendation 1 – Item 7.9: New Committee Member

MOVED A McIlrath

SECONDED S McFadden

THAT Recommendation 1, which reads as follows, be approved:-

THAT Mrs K Eaton be appointed as a member of the Obedience, Tracking & Performance Disciplines Judges Committee.

CARRIED

MOVED S Oliver

SECONDED S McFadden

THAT the Minutes of the Obedience, Tracking & Performance Disciplines Judges Committee meeting held on 11 April 2024 be **received**.

CARRIED

3.13A Public Relations Committee – 22/4/2024

3.13A.1 Recommendation 1 – Item 6.4: Committee Membership

MOVED R Privett

SECONDED S McFadden

THAT Recommendation 1, which reads as follows, be approved:-

THAT the following persons be appointed as members of the Public Relations Committee:-

- A Davis
- K Liu, Treasurer
- K Davidson
- K Christofi
- S Kearnes
- T Donnelly

CARRIED

A McIlrath abstained

3.13A.3 Recommendation 2 – Item 6.8: Memorial Wall

MOVED L Brown

SECONDED R Privett

THAT Recommendation 2, which reads as follows, be approved:-

THAT a plaque be purchased in memory of the Late Mr Russell Britton.

CARRIED

A McIlrath abstained

MOVED R Privett

SECONDED S McFadden

THAT the Minutes of the Public Relations Committee meeting held on 22 April 2024 be received.

CARRIED

A McIlrath abstained

3.13B PR Events Committee

The Board noted that this Committee did not meet.

3.13B.1 Committee Membership

MOVED S Oliver

SECONDED R Privett

THAT the following persons be appointed as members of the Public Relations Events Committee:-

- Susie Kearns
- Tracie Donnelly
- Brigette Bryson
- Kate Parry Rice Blakk
- Kate Davidson (DOGS NSW Marketing & Communications Manager)
- Abby Davis (DOGS NSW Digital Services/Gazette Officer)
- Kerry Christofi (DOGS NSW Marketing & PR Co-ordinator)

CARRIED

J Bryson abstained

3.14 Retrieving & Field Trials Committee

The Board noted that this Committee did not meet.

3.15 RNSWCC Health & Welfare Charity Limited – 8/4/2024

MOVED S McFadden

SECONDED S Oliver

THAT the Minutes of the RNSWCC Health & Welfare Charity Limited Meeting held on 8 April 2024 be received.

CARRIED

3.16 Show Committee – 24/4/2024

Referred to F2F meeting

3.17 Sporting Committee

3.17.1 Meeting 19/3/2024

3.17.1.1 Recommendation 1 – Item 7.4: Approval of Trial Dates

MOVED R Privett

SECONDED S Oliver

THAT Recommendation 1, which reads as follows, be approved:-

THAT the Committee's decisions in relation to Trial Dates be approved.

CARRIED

A McIlrath abstained

3.17.1.2 Recommendation 2 – Item 8.2.1: Earthdog Working Party Report

MOVED S Oliver

SECONDED S McFadden

THAT Recommendation 2, which reads as follows, be approved:-

THAT Ms A Tombling be approved as a member of the Earthdog Working Party.

CARRIED

A McIlrath abstained

3.17.1.3 Recommendation 3 – Item 8.6.2: New Member – Scent Work Working Party

MOVED S Oliver

SECONDED S McFadden

THAT Recommendation 3, which reads as follows, be approved:-

THAT Mrs Michelle Raymond be approved as a member of the Scent Work Working Party.

CARRIED

A McIlrath abstained

3.17.1.4 Recommendation 4 – Item 8.13.2: Sprint Dog – Facebook Page Name

MOVED S McFadden

SECONDED S Oliver

THAT Recommendation 3, which reads as follows, be approved:-

THAT the Office seek direction from Dogs Australia regarding the set up of naming a Sprint Dog NSW Facebook Group.

CARRIED

A McIlrath abstained

MOVED S Oliver

SECONDED S McFadden

THAT the Minutes of the Sporting Committee meeting held on 19 March 2024 be received.

3.17.2 Meeting 16/4/2024

The Board noted that the Minutes of the Sporting Committee meeting held on 16 April 2024 have not yet been received in the Office.

3.18 Spring Fair Dog Show Committee

The Board noted that this Committee did not meet.

4. MOTIONS ON NOTICE – NIL

5. DOGS AUSTRALIA MATTERS

5.1 National Registration Statistics

MOVED A McIlrath

SECONDED R Privett

THAT the updated National Registration Statistics, which now include the 2023 figures, be received.

CARRIED

5.2 Electronic Motion #210 - 2023 National Scent Work Meeting Minutes *Referred to F2F meeting*

5.2.1 Electronic Motion #210 – APPROVED

Referred to F2F meeting

5.3 **Electronic Motion #211 – Approval of Press Release – Dogs Australia Breeding & Surgical AI Statement**

MOVED S Oliver

SECONDED A McIlrath

THAT Electronic Motion #211, seeking approval of the Dogs Australia Press Release regarding its Breeding & Surgical AI Statement, be **received**.

CARRIED

C Rafton against

6. **CORRESPONDENCE** – NIL

7. **BUSINESS ADJOURNED FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS** – NIL

8. **GENERAL BUSINESS** – NIL

MEETING CLOSED