



**MINUTES** of a meeting of the BOARD OF DIRECTORS held ELECTRONICALLY **week ending 18 December 2020.**

PARTICIPATION:

K Hedberg BVSc	J Seary
L Brown	G Spagnolo
J Sheppard	N Keck
L Brand	C Rafton
M Arthur	E Pickering
R Britten	R Harbin
V Etherington OAM	P Cutler

APOLOGIES: A Lee

**IN CAMERA**

**1. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES – Face to Face 9 December 2020**

MOVED L Brown

SECONDED J Seary

**THAT** the Minutes of the Board of Directors meeting held on 9 December 2020 be **confirmed**.

**CARRIED**

*J Seary abstained*

**2. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES - NIL**

**3. JUDICIAL MATTERS - NIL**

**4. GENERAL BUSINESS TO BE DEALT WITH IN CAMERA**

4.1 **Executive Committee Decisions** - NIL

4.2 **Operations Manager's Report** - NIL

4.3 **Judges Committee**

The Board noted this Committee did not meet

4.4 **Compliance Investigative Panel**

The Board noted this Committee did not meet

4.5 **Animal Welfare & Community Liaison Officer Report** – NIL

4.6 **Aggressive Dog Reports** – NIL

**5. MOTIONS ON NOTICE – NIL**

**6. MONTHLY REPORTS**

6.1 **Company Secretary's Report** – NIL

6.2 **Finance Committee**

The Board noted this Committee did not meet

6.4 **Agility Judges Committee**

The Board noted this Committee did not meet

6.5 **Breed Assessment & Temperament Test Committee**

The Board noted this Committee did not meet

6.6 **Breed Standards Committee**

The Board noted this Committee did not meet

6.6.1 **Dewclaws as a Disqualifying Fault**

Director J Seary explained, to save Directors all the trouble of reading all the relevant attachments, that this issue is specifically in regard to the listing of “dewclaws” as a disqualifying fault in the FCI standard for the Hungarian Vizsla. It arose following a complaint that a Judge, after consulting the standard, penalised a Hungarian Vizsla with front dewclaws. As it is an FCI standard, the ANKC must go to the FCI for clarification and amendment - preferably to “rear dewclaws” only.

MOVED J Seary

SECONDED J Sheppard

**THAT** the Board notes the response by the DOGS NSW Chair of the Breed Standards Committee to ANKC Ltd National Breed Standards Co-ordination Group in respect of dewclaws being classed as a Disqualifying Fault.

**CARRIED**

*R Britten, E Pickering, K Hedberg BVSc against*

6.7 **Complex Development Working Party**

The Board noted this Committee did not meet

6.8 **Conformation Judges Training Committee**

The Board noted this Committee did not meet

6.9 **Constitution & Regulations Working Party**

The Board noted this Committee did not meet

6.10 **Dances With Dogs/Trick Dog Committee**

The Board noted this Committee did not meet

6.11 **Grounds Committee**

The Board noted this Committee did not meet

6.12 **Library & Archives Committee**

The Board noted this Committee did not meet

6.13 **Media & Government Legislation Committee – 7/12/2020**

MOVED L Brown

SECONDED P Cutler

**THAT** the Minutes of the Media & Government Legislation Committee meeting held on 7 December 2020, be **received**.

**CARRIED**

6.14 **Members Education Committee**

The Board noted this Committee did not meet

6.15 **Obedience & Tracking Committee**

The Board noted this Committee did not meet

6.16 **Obedience & Tracking Judges Committee**

The Board noted this Committee did not meet

6.17 **Public Relations Committee**

The Board noted this Committee did not meet

6.18 **Retrieving & Field Trials Committee**

The Board noted this Committee did not meet

6.19 **RNSWCC Health & Welfare Charity Limited – 7/12/2020**

6.19.1 **Recommendation 1 – Item 4.5: Dog Runs by P Goldstein**

Director J Seary suggested it may be worth considering expanding the statement on the Form of Release to cover all and any products, perhaps as suggested below, as this situation could arise in relation to any number of dog related items, eg, beds, toys, etc, none of which DOGS NSW controls or recommends.

*THAT DOGS NSW review their position and consider producing a "Form of Release" ~~that~~ which acknowledges acknowledges that neither DOGS NSW ~~or~~ nor the RNSWCC Health & Welfare Charity are agents for the manufacturer/supplier ~~were agents for the owners~~ and that the responsibility for the care of dogs ~~in the runs was~~ is wholly on the owners.*

***From the Office: Given Director J Seary's suggestion, this matter will be referred back to the RNSWCC Health & Welfare Charity Limited for further consideration.***

6.20 **Show Committee**

The Board noted this Committee did not meet

6.21 **Sporting Committee**

The Board noted this Committee did not meet

6.22 **Spring Fair Dog Show Committee**

The Board noted this Committee did not meet

7. **ANKC LTD MATTERS**

7.1 **Minutes of ANKC Ltd Special Board Meeting – November 2020 – CONFIRMED**

MOVED L Brown

SECONDED J Sheppard

**THAT** the DOGS NSW notes that the Minutes of the ANKC Ltd Special Board Meeting held in November 2020, have been confirmed.

**CARRIED**

8. **CORRESPONDENCE**- NIL
9. **BUSINESS ADJOURNED FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS** – NIL
10. **GENERAL BUSINESS** – NIL

**NEXT MEETING:**           **Electronic week ending 14 January 2021**