

NATIONAL SEARCH DOG ALLIANCE
MINUTES OF THE QUARTERLY MEETING OF THE BOARD OF
DIRECTORS
June 25, 2009

The National Search Dog Alliance held its quarterly meeting of the Board of Directors by conference call on June 25, 2009. President Norma Snelling called the meeting to order at 8:00 PM EST.

The following Directors were present and constituted a quorum.

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| Norma Snelling | Cameron Daggett | Jan Meyer |
| Dee Wild | Chris Goodhue | Sherry Scruggs |
| Sue Wolff | | |

Members requesting attendance and present on the call:

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| Larry Welker (until seated as board member) | | |
| Gloria Howard | Monica McFadden | Kriss Brock |
| Len Tromon | Patricia Totillo | |

I. NOTICE

The meeting was called in accordance with the Bylaws of the Corporation. Notice was emailed to the Directors and membership as prescribed by the Bylaws.

II. FINANCIAL STATUS REPORT

Copies of the financial statement as of April 30, 2009 have been emailed to the Directors. Copy attached.

III. OFFICER'S REPORT

President's Report, Norma Snelling

Norma started by thanking all the board members, committee chairs and members for all their efforts and hard work over the past year.

Vice Present's Report, Terry Crooks

Terry was on vacation and absent from meeting so a report was not given.

Secretary's Report, Sherry Scruggs

Sherry reported that she had received the hard copies of the election ballots from Art Wolff, the Nominations Committee Chair. The count has been verified and Larry Welker had a majority of the votes for Region 2.

Treasurer's Report, Cameron Daggett

Cameron reported that as of April 30, 2009 total assets were \$37,676.93. There were restricted funds of \$9,475.00 and unrestricted funds of \$31,370.96. Expenses reflected on the report are actual expenses received to date for avalanche testing and development of online testing.

Due to the low interest rates, it was decided not to place funds in a CD at this time.

IV. REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES

HRD-land: Dee Wild reported she is waiting on the report from the last beta test. Upon receiving that, changes will be made and the standards will be ready to go. There were problems with the set-up of the roadway portion and that will get addressed in the Evaluator Workshop.

HRD-water: Sherry Scruggs has sent the suggestions from the Board to the Committee and is waiting on them to report.

Networking: Larry Welker reported there have been ten pod casts to date. There have been 2,049 downloads. NIMS Standards was the most popular. Titles have been added on the Talk Shoe site for each of the episodes to facilitate ease of downloading.

Accreditation: Cameron Daggett reported he is working on contacting the people suggested by the Board.

V. OLD BUSINESS

Sue Wolff reported the current website developer will redo the site for free unless it gets too complicated. A California company is willing to develop it but it would be very costly. Larry Welker commented that currently the programs on the website are not state of the art and could be more user friendly. There is a problem with PayPal automatically renewing membership without the member being aware of this.

Norma Snelling reported that currently the cost of the Education Committee book *Pick of the Pack* is \$22.00 for non members and \$18.00 for members. She has been advised by two major book distributors that the market value of the book should be \$19.95. Dee Wild motioned, Sue Wolff seconded, that the price be changed to \$19.95 for non members and \$17.95 for members. A vote was taken and the motion was unanimously approved. Norma Snelling reported that NASAR declined to carry the book but Dee is going to contact the Continental Kennel Club to see if they would be interested.

A SAR Resource List is being compiled. Everyone was in favor of having the list available to the public on the website. When the list is completed, a vote will be taken as how to publish it.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

Jan Meyers was thanked for her service to the organization. Jan will continue to Chair the Conference Committee.

As a result of the election, Sherry Scruggs retained her seat from Region 3 and Larry Welker was seated from Region 2.

Nominations for officers were as followed:

President - Sue Wolff was nominated by Dee Wild, seconded by Sherry Scruggs. With no other nominations, Sue Wolff was seated as President.

Vice President - Terry Crooks was nominated by Sue Wolff, seconded by Larry Welker. With no other nominations, Terry Crooks was seated as Vice President.

Secretary - Sherry Scruggs was nominated by Sue Wolff, seconded by Dee Wild. With no other nominations, Sherry Scruggs was seated as Secretary.

Treasurer - Norma Snelling was nominated by Dee Wild, seconded by Sue Wolff. With no other nominations, Norma Snelling was seated as Treasurer.

Norma asked Larry to report on his communications with Northrop Grumman about developing an online simulation training program. Preliminary indications are Northrop Grumman may be interested in being a corporate sponsor. Due to the efforts currently underway to develop a data base, it is important that, whatever program is developed, it is compatible with all the current programs. With Board approval, Larry will pursue this and report back to the Board at the next conference call.

Norma will contact the California web hosting company and decline their Proposal.

Norma reported that the third draft of the trailing standard has been sent to the Board and she is waiting for input where disagreements exist. Board members were asked to send their comments to Norma via email.

The next face to face meeting of the Board will be the second weekend of October. Several sites were suggested. It appears Denver would be the most economical. Cris Goodhue extended an invitation for everyone to stay at her house. Sue Wolff will look into the cost of airfare to Helena, Montana, the the closest airport to Cris.

There being no further business, Sue Wolff adjourned the meeting at 9:10 PM EST.