

Pharaoh Hound Club of America

Board Meeting (Phone)

March 19, 2020

Members present: Linda Witt, Andrea Schokker, Theresa Harper, Robert Newman, Mary Severino, Rebecca Stephens, Stephen Sipperly, Meredith Wille

The meeting was called to order at 8:03 pm (Eastern) by President Robert Newman.

All committee reports skipped.

- Recording Secretary (Theresa)
 - Minutes accepted.
 - No other updates
- Corresponding Secretary (Stephen)
 - No updates
- President (Robert)
 - No updates
- Treasurer (Mary)
 - No updates
- Specialties 2020
 - Western
 - Was running in the black. Cancelled due to Covid-19 pandemic.
 - Majority of people that had donated left donations in place for 2021.
 - \$2000 gross in donations and sponsors. \$1376.30 after fees and expenses associated with non-refundable insurance and secretary fees.
 - National/Eastern
 - BOD comments on judges given that the event is 5 days long and the BOD feels the specialty days could be moved around within that 5 days. This is not the position of Julie Gwin and Corey Heenan as they feel it would adversely affect entry numbers.
 - Doug Gaudin is being submitted for National judge. He has been approved since 1995 but extremely limited judging in the US. Concerned he has not seen a wide variety of Pharaoh Hounds.
 - Avery Gaudin has had limited experience judging Pharaohs in the US.
 - Miller judged AKC National in December. Significant experience judging Pharaohs in the US.
 - Albert Berrios has had extensive experience judging Pharaohs in the US.
 - Dana Cline – only one on the preferred judges list but judged the National last year and is not eligible.
 - Board proposes that the Eastern be on Thursday with Albert Berrios and the National be on Friday with David Miller – the two eligible judges with extensive US experience judging Pharaohs.
 - Lure coursing
 - 60 miles away that weekend is lure coursing but it is really too far away to expect exhibitors to go.
 - Meredith thinks there would be options for lure coursing closer and is working on it. Since there are no regularly scheduled events in that area we would have to find our own field.
 - Option to have National lure coursing at another time? You would need that score for triathlon so we couldn't have that at the National. Agreed that having the lure coursing National at another time is problematic because of attendance at a one day event

disconnected from the Specialty showing. Waive both the requirement for lure coursing and the triathlon.

- Cluster does have rally and obedience.
- Lots of Nationals being cancelled due to Covid-19 pandemic. General feeling is the AKC will not hold clubs to this. We might need something on the books and then if the show is cancelled, the AKC will accept. We need to get clarification in writing from the AKC so we understand their position.
- Motion to have Albert Berrios for Eastern and David Miller for National. Mary seconded. Abstentions: Robert. Oppose: None. In favor: All except the abstention. Stephen to write up document and Mary to transmit to Corey.
- New Business
 - A non-member is being listed as doing judges education at the Mason-Dixon dog association. They meet requirements per AKC.
 - Reached out to judges education for the AKC to express concerns as the person is not a member, not an approved mentor, and has no access to the approved judges education materials.
 - Robert talked to Sheila Hoffman so she was aware. The Mason-Dixon dog association to be made aware we offer judges education through the club.
 - Rebecca sent Robert and Stephen a letter she drafted to send to National/other specialty organizers as recognition of their efforts. Rebecca to send to entire board.
 - Vacancy on board
 - Article 3 section 3: majority of board members vote for someone to fill until the empty slot is up for re-election.
 - Submit names to Recording Secretary by Friday, March 27.
 - AKC Sportsmanship Award
 - PHCA has never awarded it.
 - By March 27, email the Recording Secretary – 1) should we award? 2) who should receive award?
 - Meet the Breeds
 - Approved Oaks event. Mary AKC contact person for event.
 - There is a \$500 stipend to cover gas, expenses of people doing the MTB event. Board feels part of this could be used to decorate if the people doing the event wish to do so. Other clubs have been doing that.
 - Andrea is working on a new visual for the MTB. Both a one-pager and a tri-fold. Mary suggests doing a bulk order and shipping.
 - Meredith working on something that could be shown on a computer screen.
 - Note that cards used at Javits were hugely popular.
 - All new materials should be done by mid-May to for board review if to be used in June.

Stephen moved to adjourn the meeting at, Meredith seconded the motion. It was unanimously approved and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by:
Theresa Harper
PHCA Recording Secretary