## **CENTRAL CATTLEDOG ASSOCIATION**

Minutes of Board of Directors Meeting March 9, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Randy Mooney, President.

Board members present by roll call: Randy Mooney, Myra Bradford, Charles Holt, Ron Long, JW Newton, Allen Miller, Sonny Mahurin, John Porter and Gerry Knipmeyer.

Charles Holt moved that the minutes of the February 9, 2017, Board of Director's meeting be approved. The motion was seconded by John Porter and approved unanimously.

John Porter moved that the Treasurer's Report for February 28, 2017 be approved. The motion was seconded by Charles Holt and approved unanimously.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

Myra Bradford gave an update on the plans for the CCA finals at the Bar None Spring Classic in March, 2017.

Charles Holt reported that the Nominating Committee will present the following slate of nominees for Board of Directors positions at the CCA Annual Meeting: Myra Bradford, Sonny Mahurin, Allen Miller, John Porter, Rich Hall, Marvin Daniel and Michael Truesdell.

John Porter moved that the 2017-2018 Trial Rules be updated from the 2016-2017 Rules as follows. The motion was seconded by Charles Holt and approved unanimously.

- MEMBERSHIP: New Novice handler membership is free for the year beginning April 1, 2017
- CLASSES OF HANDLERS AND DOGS: Nursery Class: Only dogs that are younger than 30 months
  (2.5 years) at the beginning of the qualifying season (April 1) are eligible to compete in the
  Nursery Class. In other words, for the 2017-2018 trial season, eligible dogs must have been born
  on or after October 1, 2014.
- COMPULSORY ADVANCEMENT: There is no compulsory advancement of the CCA Intermediate
  dog or handler champions. The compulsory advancement in the Intermediate class is controlled
  by the National Cattledog Association rules: At the end of the qualifying year, the top two
  Intermediate point earning handlers are no longer eligible for the Intermediate class. Also, the
  top 8 finishers in the Intermediate class at the NCA National Finals will no longer be eligible for
  the Intermediate class.

Sonny Mahurin moved that the 2017-2018 Trial Rules be updated from the 2016-2017 Rules as follows. The motion was seconded by J W Newton and approved unanimously: The CCA Board reserves the right to move up an Intermediate or Novice handler if the Board feels the handler is too advanced for the current class.

Gerry Knipmeyer moved that the 2017-2018 Trial Rules be updated from the 2016-2017 Rules as follows. The motion was seconded by John Porter and approved unanimously: DELETE: Effective April 2, 2015, a handler is limited to two (2) full years of participating in the Novice class. If the Novice membership begins after October 1, the handler will have 2.5 years of Novice class eligibility.

The members of the Board generally agreed that trial hosts should be encourages to have lower entry fees for the Novice class.

Sonny Mahurin moved that the 2017-2018 Trial Rules be updated from the 2016-2017 Rules as follows. The motion was seconded by John Porter and approved unanimously: A handler shall remove all collars from the dog before sending the dog from the handler's post. IF the dog is sent from the handler's post with a collar, the trial official will ask the handler to stop the run and remove the collar. The clock will not stop while the handler is removing the collar. If the trial official does not notice the collar during the run, the trial official has the right to inspect a dog for any suspected violations of this rule after the run and may disqualify a handler if the collar is determined to be a training device of any kind.

John Porter moved that the Trial Sanctioning Form be amended to request an estimated budget for the proposed trial. The motion was seconded by Charles Holt and approved unanimously.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

Ron Long moved that his resignation from the Board of Directors effective March 24, 2017, be approved. Gerry Knipmeyer seconded the motion with regret and the motion was approved unanimously.

Sonny Mahurin submitted a trial sanctioning request for the Creeper Cattledog Field Trial to be held April 29-30 2017 at Thayer, Kansas. Sonny will also host the NCA South Central Regional Finals at this trial. Charles Holt moved that this request be approved. The motion was seconded by Allen Miller and approved unanimously.

Jimmy Parnel submitted a trial sanctioning request for the Route 66 Cattledog Trial to be held April 22-23, 2017 at Miller, Missouri. Sonny Mahurin moved that this request be approved. The motion was seconded by John Porter and approved unanimously.

The next meeting date will be March 24, 2017, after the Annual Meeting for the election of officers.

The next regularly scheduled meeting date will be April 13, 2017

John Porter moved that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was seconded by Sonny Mahurin and unanimously approved.