

North American Flyball Association, Inc. ®

Board of Directors Meeting

Teleconference

Abridged Minutes

July 21, 2008

Present via telephone were:	Executive Director	Sam Ford
	Board of Directors	Brian Fay, Lee Heighton, Dana Nichols, Lisa Peckham, Kris Pickering, Alisa Romaine, Dale Smith, Scott Stein

Chairman Lee Heighton called the meeting to order at 7:42 PM CDT. Mike Smith was absent.

Dana was required to leave the meeting briefly to attend to a work matter. She gave Kris Pickering her proxy and also assigned Kris the job of keeping minutes.

I. Rules Committee Report

Kris Pickering reported that Rules Committee has a number of open items, some previously approved and sent to Rules for language; some non-controversial housekeeping measures; and other more substantive matters that would require debate. After discussion it was agreed that Rules would orally report the open matters and, on the ones that appeared to be formalities, would circulate the written language with a request for unanimous consent to them on a time period to be set by the Chair. On those that appeared controversial, the matter would be carried over to the live meeting now scheduled for August 2 and be listed as open agenda items.

Attached as Attachments 1 and 2 are copies of the Rules report, divided into the two categories: 1. Consent Items; and 2. Non-Consent Items.

Dana returned and resumed keeping the minutes after the Consent Items in Attachment 1 were covered and as discussion was beginning on the Non-Consent Items listed on Attachment 2.

a. Research variable limits and language (what needs to change in the rulebook)

There was discussion regarding possible language regarding this issue. The language proposed is set forth in Attachment 2, section 1 along with a history of the problem. The intent is to help out teams who host limited tournaments and currently have to set maximum number of entries per class, instead of total number of entries. When one class doesn't reach its limit, but other classes have more than the allotted entries, those entries are lost. New language was wanted to allow clubs to designate a total number of teams for limited tournament. Dale indicated there may be a problem with the way our existing software and database processes tournaments that would have to be solved with the language currently proposed. He suggested having teams designate the number of entries at sanctioning as currently provided for in the rule, but then allowing clubs to exchange teams from class to class at closing as long as the teams

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did not exceed the total number. There was a lengthy discussion regarding options and how to best optimize entries for host clubs as well as team entering limited tournaments. No consensus was reached.

Dana moved to adopt language proposed by the Rules Committee and set forth in Exhibit 2. Kris seconded.

Brian moved to table the motion. Scott seconded. In favor: Brian Fay, Lisa Peckham, Dale Smith, and Scott Stein. Against: Dana Nichols, Kris Pickering, and Alisa Romaine. The motion was tabled.

II. Disciplinary charge 2008-001

Lee moved we enter Executive Session.

The Board entered Executive Session at 8:41 p.m.

The Board exited Executive Session at 9:18 p.m.

Disciplinary charge 2008-001 was not sustained and no disciplinary hearing will be held.

III. Clarification of language regarding Regional Director and Head Judge

Lee led a discussion of a possible rule change:

1. Add definition of "Head Judge" to glossary (pg. 14 of current rulebook):

GLOSSARY

Head Judge - The judge who is in currently in control of the ring during a tournament race or who is currently measuring a dog during official tournament measuring.

2. Modify Section 1.6(e) (pg. 18 of current rulebook):

Current rule:

Section 1.6 – Regional Directors

(e) If the Regional Director is the tournament director or a Head Judge for the tournament, the Executive Director shall designate an acting Regional Director for the tournament.

Suggested modification:

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(e) If the Regional Director is the tournament director for a tournament, the Executive Director shall approve an acting Regional Director for the tournament. If the Regional Director acts as a Head Judge, by being in control of the ring during a tournament race or by measuring a dog during official tournament measuring, the Executive Director shall approve an acting Regional Director for those instances during the tournament.

There was discussion about possible issues. Kris asked for Sam's input in fixing the problem. Sam discussed having one judge, perhaps the measuring judge, be designated as the "Head Judge" for the tournament. There was no consensus reached.

Alisa moved to accept the language as submitted. Dana seconded.

There was lengthy discussion regarding the proposal. Dale discussed that defining Head Judge as proposed would create conflict in other portions of the rules.

Dale moved to table the motion. Brian seconded. In favor: Brian Fay, Lisa Peckham, Kris Pickering, Alisa Romaine, Dale Smith, and Scott Stein. Against: Dana Nichols. The motion to table passed.

Lee mentioned if any board members had alternative language to submit it before the August meeting. Sam indicated he and Scott would try to draft alternative language.

Dale left the meeting momentarily for a business matter.

Lee moved we enter Executive Session.

The Board entered Executive Session at 9:41 p.m.

The Board exited Executive Session at 10:17 p.m.

IV. Elections

Lee appointed Karen Oleson as head of the nominating committee and requested approval from the Board. Kris moved to approve the appointment. Dale seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Dale moved to incorporate the results of the election into the minutes. Scott seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

The results as published on the NAFA webpage are as follows:

Vote results for JUMP2008

1300 total ballots returned (80.60%)

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Candidate	1	Percent
FOR - This means subtracting FIVE inches from the height at the withers	1216	93.54
AGAINST - This means leaving it UNCHANGED at FOUR inches	84	6.46

Note: The change in rules will not take effect until October 1st, 2008

Region	States/ Provinces	Ballots Mailed	Percent Returned
1	MI OH	26(107)	80.77%(83.18%)
2	ON	38(121)	78.95%(80.99%)
3	MN ND SD	15(75)	73.33%(85.33%)
4	IL IN KY WI	27(90)	70.37%(76.67%)
5	AR LA OK TX	28(97)	78.57%(81.44%)
6	AZ NV UT	11(33)	72.73%(81.82%)
7	BC OR WA	24(98)	66.67%(75.51%)
8	MB SK	19(93)	84.21%(94.62%)
9	NC SC VA WV	21(70)	71.43%(84.29%)
10	NB NS PE	19(61)	68.42%(73.77%)
11	FL	16(61)	87.50%(88.52%)
12	AB ID MT	21(100)	61.90%(69.00%)
13	CT MA ME NH NY RI VT	27(101)	77.78%(73.27%)
14	AL GA MS TN	15(81)	86.67%(80.25%)
15	DE MD NJ PA	25(97)	88.00%(95.88%)
16	CA	26(119)	73.08%(79.83%)
18	AK	2(5)	100.00%(100.00%)
19	CO NM WY	13(53)	84.62%(94.34%)
20	ON QC	11(47)	81.82%(89.36%)
21	IA KS MO NE	20(104)	75.00%(71.15%)

Scott moved that the meeting be adjourned. Kris (by proxy) seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 PM CST on July 21, 2008.