

Minutes of the NAFA Board of Directors Conference Call May 6, 2019 7:09 pm CMT

In attendance: Steve Corona, Dirk Elber, Neil Flood, Kathy Haney, Dana Hanson, Emma Mak, Lynda Mantler, Aaron Robbins, John Hendriks

Continuation of work on the document Draft Ideas for Mandatory Withers. Please refer to document.

World Record; poll on which judge should be allowed to measure.

John CMJ

Dirk CMJ

Lynda tournament judge

Emma CMJ

Kathy CMJ

Aaron tournament judge

Dana CMJ

Aaron would like to have Regional Champions, CanAm champions, NAFA champions to all be held to the same standard.

Concern was voiced that to wait until all dogs on WR runs and the other categories mentioned above have been measured could delay the presentation of awards for a year. The general feeling was that this was not acceptable. Steve suggested we take this away and come back with a work around for this.

May 1 email from Neil Flood with ideas about CMJs was discussed.

Right now, we don't have a workable solution for where/how/how many CMJs so we will take it away for further thought. Concern was raised about CMJs measuring in their own region. A costs analysis is for travel, etc is needed

Video review of measuring was suggested in Neil's letter, ie continuing education for judges. There were mixed thoughts about that at first but after more discussion there was greater acceptance. If CMJs were reviewing the videos, it would ensure they are on the same page, enforce their skills and as CMJs dropped off there would be more trained measuring judges ready to become CMJs.

Neil sent an email on May 1 that urged the board to discuss and make a decision on what to do regarding the possible change to the jump height to 6 inches below the withers.

Minimum jump height. If the minimum changes, the jump bases would need to make the minimum 1" lower. People with very small height dogs would be looking for that.

Steve and Lynda to start crafting the announcement that NAFA will staying with the withers measurements and to include some FAQs. The document will be put out to the board for feedback before publication. It will include the data from analysis from Curtis and Katie with their permission. Input on wordings or FAQs is welcome.

Lynda asked that the board review the Atlanta minutes in the next week or so in order that revisions can be made and the minutes are ready to go at the same time as the measuring announcement.

We will continue with Monday night meetings to resolve some questions that still need to be dealt with but we will change the start time to 6:30 CMT.

Meeting adjourned at 8:31 pm.