



## LOWCHEN CLUB OF AMERICA ONLINE BOARD MEETING MINUTES JUNE 2007

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LCA board meeting was called to order by President JoAllyn Beckett June 1, 2007 at 11:33 A.M.

First Order of Business to make sure all board members are notified and sign up for the new board membership list.

Second Order of Business to acknowledge Louise Sowers' written resignation as Recording Secretary and to thank her and all volunteers for their time and energy. JoAllyn Beckett acknowledged all volunteer efforts are appreciated and will continue to be appreciated.

Attention was called to "General Practices" as it pertains to sportsmanship. "Exhibit good sportsmanship at all times: a. if a disagreement or dispute arises, it will be handled privately and professionally between the parties involved."

JoAllyn Beckett stated the practice established during Carole Kramer's presidency of using the Yahoo Board member list to solicit Board members to perform different jobs, duties or functions will continue. Board members were encouraged to contact JoAllyn privately if another format was needed.

Third Order of Business to poll every Board member to determine if a quorum will be in attendance at the June 2007 National Specialty Board Meeting.

Fourth Order of Business a request to submit any agenda items for discussion at the LCA National Board Meeting in writing using the Yahoo Board list as the mode of communication or feel free to call JoAllyn Beckett. Purpose is to be prepared with a set agenda for the National Board Meeting.

Fifth Order of Business the Rescue Policy already adopted by the board. Input requested for how it is to be used in the future, stored when not in use, and any other policies needing to be set.

JoAllyn Beckett stated the aggressive agenda of the 2007-2008 LCA Board will center on creating policies so the Board can run more effectively. JoAllyn looks forward to hearing reports from various committees, seeing the first edition of Headlions by Linda Erling Baker and the latest from the Standards Revision Committee.

Lyle Harding confirmed being on the new list and plan to attend the Board Meeting.

Barbara Cecil confirmed being on the new list and plan to attend the Board Meeting.

Debbie King confirmed being on the new list and plan to attend the Board Meeting.

Althea Smith confirmed being on the new list and plan to attend the Board Meeting.

Althea Smith nominated Janette Swindler for the newly vacated position of Recording Secretary. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Debbie King.

Barbara Cecil submitted the following for National Board meeting agenda.

1. Revision of the Code of Ethics
2. Lack of Color Choices in Registration
3. Addition of a Versatility Award

Debbie King made a motion for the addition of all Havanese colors for registration as suggested by Herb Williams. "Just spoke with AKC regarding our colors. AKC has rejected my application to register my dog as a black and silver brindle. AKC needs a letter from our club to add colors to registration applications. Herb has suggested that we use all Havanese colors. I totally agree. I request that we resolve this matter by the end of the week, as I do not want to loose any points already received on my black and silver brindle or any other dogs that were shown against me who gained points.

This has been an issue for years and never been resolved. I propose that this be adopted immediately and send a letter to Mary Beth O'Neil (sp ?) at AKC. Debbie King JOALLYN BECKETT QUESTIONED "Do we have a motion?" 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jann

Nienhaus. Discussion and voting followed. Motion passed by a majority of affirmative votes by Debbie King, Herb Williams, Jann Nienhaus, Lyle Harding, Althea Smith, JoAllyn Beckett, Jean Richland, Barbara Cecil and Cecile Balizet.

Lyle Harding proposed types of membership and dues as a topic for the LCA National Board meeting.

JoAllyn Beckett verified board members planning to attend the 2007 LCA National in Oklahoma City as Lyle, Debbie, Barbara, Jann, Althea, Herb and herself. The number of attendees would be enough for a Board quorum.

Jean Richland confirmed being on the new list and plan to attend the board meeting.

Herb Williams nominated Glenda Martin for the open position of LCA Recording Secretary. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lyle Harding.

Herb Williams submitted the need for a policy to help the club Treasurer in dealing with reimbursements.

Jann Nienhaus nominated Mary Billman for the open position of LCA Recording Secretary.

Althea Smith rescinded her nomination for Janette Swindler as a candidate for the position of Recording Secretary per Janette's request.

Vote for Glenda Martin as LCA Recording Secretary passed by a majority of affirmative votes from Herb Williams, Lyle Harding, Barbara Cecile, Jann Nienhaus, JoAllyn Beckett, Althea Smith, Debbie King, Jean Richland, and Cecil Balizet.

Due to technical difficulties Cecile Balizet was unable to respond on line and her emails were passed on by JoAllyn Beckett. Cecile proposed a welcome packet for all new members, the need for extra membership directory lists for new members and wanted to know how to direct inquiries for puppies,

Lyle Harding stated she would be bringing extra membership lists to the Nationals for inclusion in the new member packets.

Herb Williams made a motion to limit the time for reimbursement from the Treasurer "Any bills for authorized expenses must be submitted with paid receipts to the Treasurer within 60 days of their occurrence but within 6 months must be submitted with and explanation of the delay. These bills with the explanation must be submitted to the LCA Board of Directors for their approval of payment. Bills submitted after 6 months of their occurrence will not be reimbursed unless there are extraordinary circumstances accepted by the Board of Directors. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lyle Harding. Discussion followed and JoAllyn Beckett asked that voting for this motion be wrapped up by session end that night June 8, 2007. Motion passed by a majority of affirmative votes by Herb Williams, Lyle Harding, Jann Nienhaus, Debbie King, Jean Richland, Althea Smith, JoAllyn Beckett, Barbara Cecil and Cecile Balizet.

JoAllyn Beckett extended the request for additional agenda items to Tuesday June 12<sup>th</sup>.

Debbie King requested an approval for a Donation Committee be added to the agenda.

Cecile Balizet confirmed her ability to access the Board membership list.

Glenda Martin confirmed her ability to access the Board membership list.

Lyle Harding submitted formation of a Ways and Means Committee for the agenda.

Jann Nienhaus questioned the request for advertisement in Dogs USA. Jean Richland responded the club maintains an advertisement in the magazine for the benefit of the general public.

JoAllyn Beckett posted agendas for both the 2007 National Board Meeting and the General Board Meeting to be held in Oklahoma City.

END JUNE 2007 ONLINE BOARD MEETING DISCUSSION