



LOWCHEN CLUB OF AMERICA ONLINE BOARD DISCUSSION OCTOBER 2007

October 1, 2007 JoAllyn Beckett President posted an eyes only email stating the importance of a Board that keeps the LCA moving forward requires open Board meetings to enable members to bring issues to the Board at anytime so everyone is able to participate.

Discussion followed regarding anyone adopting a rescue to have the check made out to the LCA and who should collect and receive the funds.

JoAllyn Beckett asked if Herb Williams wanted to lead the proposed Standard Revision itemization discussion and stated discussion was to conclude by the end of the month. Herb Williams agreed to lead the discussion.

Herb Williams submitted Membership Application Guidelines for processing membership applications for Board review. It was noted that Lyle Harding suggested one application with a place to indicate which membership they were applying for would reduce paperwork. Discussion and voting followed. Membership Application Guidelines passed with affirmative votes by Glenda Martin, Herb Williams, Jann Nienhaus, Debbie King, Barbara Cecil, Cecile Balizet, Carol Strong and JoAllyn Beckett. Jann Nienhaus submitted an affirmative vote from Lyle Harding who was at the PWD nationals.

Herb Williams submitted Guidelines for National Specialties and Futurity. Discussion and voting followed. National Specialty Guidelines passed with affirmative votes by Glenda Martin, Herb Williams, Jann Nienhaus, Debbie King, Barbara Cecil, Cecile Balizet, Carol Strong, Lyle Harding as submitted by Jann Nienhaus and JoAllyn Beckett. Futurity did not pass garnering 4 negative votes from Jann Nienhaus, Herb Williams, Carol Strong, and Lyle Harding as submitted by Jann Nienhaus, mainly for being too cumbersome.

Carol Strong reported that she would be unavailable from approximately October 9th thru November 10th as she will be having knee surgery.

Discussion of Breeder Referral listing fee and litter listing fees commenced. Discussions centered on whether to raise fees and CERF requirements as a minimum for listing.

Request for stationary from several board members were made to Cecile Balizet and it was requested that at least 3 bids be obtained before going to a specific printer. Placement of the LCA logo centered or either left or right was also discussed.

Code of Ethics was discussed with clarification requested by Glenda Martin for fees a breeder could incur if their dog(s) end up in rescue and they are unwilling versus being unable to take their dog back.

JoAllyn Beckett brought up the fact that no discussion had yet taken place on the proposed Breed Standard Revision and we were nearing the end of the first week of October. Herb Williams responded he was waiting until the breeder referral costs and requirements plus the Code of Ethics issues were off the table so nothing was pending.

Request was received for the LCA to support the entries in the Nisqually Kennel Club show and the March Non-Sporting Club of the Garden State from Juha Kar.

JoAllyn Beckett forwarded an email from Janette Swindler thanking Herb Williams for including a report from his region to the Headlions. Janette urged the rest of the Regional Directors to follow Herb's lead and submit articles from their respective area for each issue of Headlions.

JoAllyn Beckett posted the LCA Health Survey received from Janette Swindler for the Board's consideration. Objection was noted by Herb Williams when pushed for a vote by Janette since it had only been posted for one day and needed to be read and discussed.

JoAllyn Beckett urged Board members to review and vote on the Code of Ethics so we could move on to discuss the Standards Revision. Code of Ethics Revision passed with 8 affirmative votes.

Martha Stern will be attending the Canine Health Foundation Parent Club meeting in St. Louis and will make a report to be published in Headlions on her return.

Lyle Harding reported that Joni Weed would be attending the Eukanuba Invitational and expressed interest in helping with the Meet the Breeds Booth. A question arose about the cutoff date since we may be too late in responding.

Herb Williams made a motion for a breeder to be on the referral list they must send in copies of current CERF certificates of if they do not register with CERF copies of the eye exam. 2nd by Glenda Martin. It was brought up by Herb that proof of CERF exams for advertising Stud Dog and/or Brood Bitch in Headlions was approved at the National Board Meeting. He clarified his motion stating it applies to a Breeder listing with the Chair of Breeder Referral, and on the LCA website. "I make the following motion: To be on the Breeder referral list, a breeder must send in copies of current* CERF Certificates or if they do not register with CERF, copies of the current* CERF exams when they send in the fee for being listed. The fee to be listed on the Breeder Referral List is \$25 and an additional \$15 to have a link to their website. It would be noted that on the website that all breeders adhere to the LCA Health Guidelines. * Certificates must be dated within a year of application. I would also suggest that to have litters listed in Headlions, the applicant must supply copies of current Cerf exams for the Dam and Sire of the litter. Herb"

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