



ONTARIO BORDER COLLIE CLUB BOARD MEETING

JANUARY 21, 2024, 7 PM VIA ZOOM

Participants

Kelly Morrow	Patrick Gosselin	Celeste Lacroix	Teresa Castonguay	Susan Moore
Regrets	Kim Gretton			

Call to Order 6:59 pm

Agenda review

- Review of AGM 2023, Draft Minutes
- Business Arising
- President Report
- Secretary Report
- Treasurer's Report
- Learning & Development Committee Report
- Trials Committee Report
- Communications Report
- o Digital Newsletter
- o Website
- Other Business

Agenda Approved

Approval of Minutes

AGM Draft Minutes reviewed for posting to web site

Conclusion - no errors or omissions

1st Celeste LaCroix 2nd Susan Moore

Action Items

Post to website

Person Responsible

Teresa & Tracy

deadline

January

Presidents Report

- o Committee Appointments
 - Trials confirmed – Carol Guy, Andrea deKenedy, Lorna Savage
 - L&D – needed
 - Digital Newsletter confirmed – Lynn Johnston
 - Webmaster confirmed – Tracy Hinton
 - Nominating – needed usually prior to next AGM
 - Fundraising needed – a plan based on current needs should be developed by the board first
- o Year End Trophies –
 - Kevan has taken them for engraving
- o Champion Bios
 - Published this month on the blog
- o Champion Awards –
 - Pamela has contacted champions and they have all chosen Club jackets or hoodies which are being ordered
- o New Board members orientation
 - Welcome to all
 - Ideas and input are appreciated
 - Civility and professionalism are expected
 - Familiarity with OBCC Guidelines and Bylaws is encouraged

Action Items

Trophy engraving

Person Responsible

Kevan

deadline

February

Secretary Report

- o Member Renewal Notice
 - o 23 members have already renewed their membership
 - o Notice on Facebook and via email
- o Zoom Business Account
 - purchased for meetings and possible L&D events
- o Notice of Change re: incorporation
 - to be done

Action Items

Member renewal notice text
 Posted on Facebook
 Emailed to members
 Posted on Website
 Notice of Change

Person Responsible

Kelly
 Kelly
 Teresa
 Tracy
 Teresa

deadline

January
 February
 February
 February
 February

Treasurer's Report

at January 14, 2024

Bank balance	as of	October 18, 2023	\$13,189.10	
REVENUE		2023 ACTUALS	2024 YTD	2024 BUDGET
Membership		\$ 2,701.53	\$ 748.94	\$ 2,900.00
L&D Income		\$ 1,411.33		\$ 1,000.00
Merchandise Sales		\$ 2,291.38		\$ 500.00
Other (refund of Zoom from Companion Dog)			\$ 95.00	
TOTAL REVENUE		\$ 6,404.24	\$ 843.94	\$ 4,400.00
EXPENSES				
Bank Charges		\$ 7.50	\$ 1.50	\$ 30.00
Legal				\$ 100.00
Merchandise				\$ 700.00
Meeting Expenses		\$ 226.00	\$ 242.25	\$ 300.00
Promotion of Club Goals				\$ 1,000.00
Learning & Development		\$ 1,000.00		\$ 600.00
Prizes/Ribbons				\$ 200.00
Trial Support				\$ 600.00
Website		\$ 405.86		\$ 500.00
Year End Awards		\$ 736.87		\$ 800.00
TOTAL EXPENSES		\$ 2,376.23	\$ 243.75	\$ 4,830.00
Bank Balance		January 14, 2024	\$ 13,749.30	
2 US cheques to be deposited		total \$95 USD		
Total 23 members paid plus honorary & prepaid				

- Our Bank requires an official letter confirming the change of treasurer, Board minutes confirming the change, as well as the new treasurer's signature
 - o The letter has been taken to the Lindsay branch

As Celeste is in Florida until spring, she is unavailable to complete the signing of the authority card at the bank as well as assume treasurer duties until she is back in Ontario in the spring

- Therefore, two Motions are needed
 - Motion to approve appropriate executive member to fulfil bank procedures and documents changing OBCC Treasurer 1st Susan 2nd Partrick Carried
 - to maintain Kim Gretton as Interim Assistant Treasurer with authority to act in Celeste Lacroix absence•
1st Celeste 2nd Susan Carried
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Learning & Development Committee Report

- Strategy for 2024
 - Discussion around sheep handling days (Kevan Gretton & Stacy Rember may be willing to host),
 - No competition pressure learning opportunities like fun days
- Committee needed. Jaline Kroll is willing to continue. Helen Knibb was suggested. Board members agreed to bring more possible names to the next meeting.

<i>Action Items</i>	<i>Person Responsible</i>	<i>deadline</i>
Contact potential committee members	Board members	February
Contact potential event hosts	Kelly	February

• Trials Committee Report

- The committee would like to suggest additions to the Trial Guidelines re: Accumulation of Year End Points and Complaint Procedures

Guidelines state

5.1.1 Points for a dog may be accumulated toward the year-end awards only by OBCC members in good standing at the time of the trial. Points will not be awarded retroactively.

- Suggestion to add *with membership fee received and processed by the treasurer prior to the trial*

New Guideline would read:

5.1.1 Points for a dog may be accumulated toward the year-end awards only by OBCC members in good **standing with membership fee received and processed by the treasurer prior to the trial**. Points will not be awarded retroactively.

- Considering the complaint by a member of the public re: Kingston commentary, additions or modifications to the Trial Guidelines complaint procedures have been suggested as being necessary.
 - The Board would like to ask Andrea deKenedy to draft such procedures and the Trials Committee review and forward to the Board.
- As both recommendations are changes to the Trial Guidelines these will be posted on Facebook as recommendations for the 2024 Trial season and on the website prior to the next AGM for a ratification vote.

<i>Action Items</i>	<i>Person Responsible</i>	<i>deadline</i>
Draft complaint procedures update	Andrea deKenedy & Committee	March
Draft Facebook announcement re: changes	Kelly	March
Post guideline revisions to website	Teresa & Tracy	April

Communications Report

- o Reminder that Facebook page protocols were set at the AGM. Kelly is a page moderator and Andrea is administrator therefore event postings should go through them

Digital Newsletter

- o Champions' bios have been collected and are being published this month

Website

- o An upgrade to our website was approved at the AGM
- o Tracy has suggested to establishing a PayPal account and using Google forms to accommodate membership renewals and perhaps trial entries

<i>Action Items</i>	<i>Person Responsible</i>	<i>deadline</i>
OBCC treasurer email redirected to Celeste	Tracy	April
Set up a Pay Pal account	Kim, Celeste, Tracy	February
Set up Google Forms for member renewals	Kim, Celeste, Tracy, Teresa	March

Other Business

- A discussion about possible ways to encourage more trials in Ontario was begun.
 - o Identify possible hosts and why they don't hold trials
 - Lack of sheep?
 - Lack of suitable fields
 - Perceived cost
 - Wear and tear on livestock, farm, fields?
 - o Possible solutions
 - OBCC or a consortium of members buy a flock for a season
 - Pay farmers to hold trials
 - Rent sheep for trials

<i>Action Items</i>	<i>Person Responsible</i>	<i>deadline</i>
Develop a 'proof of concept'	Celeste & Patrick	March

Next meeting - February 25 @ 7 PM

Motion to Adjourn

Susan 8:17 PM