

## Vizsla Canada

### Minutes of the April 24, 2003 Board Meeting

**Note:** For reference, numbering example follows: “2003-04-01(1) consists of the year **2003-04** and month of the meeting, followed by the item number on the agenda and sub-item number (if applicable). If there is more than one motion per item, designation **A, B, C** will be used to identify them.

The meeting was opened by Frank Lacko, President on April 24, 2003 at 6:00 p.m.EDST.

#### 1. Review of minutes of the January 2003 meeting of the Board of Directors

Several motions were put forward relating to the two sets of minutes - one from Frank Lacko and the other from Sylvia Dorosh. Sylvia moved that several changes be made to the minutes presented by Frank and then proposed that his minutes not be approved, but her minutes be accepted instead.

**Motion 2003-04-01 A** Moved by F. Lacko: That the Vizsla Canada Board approves and adopts the minutes from the January, 2003 meeting as submitted by Frank Lacko.

In favour: 5 (B.Brinkworth, S. Cleveland, J. Coneybeare, S. Dagenais, F. Lacko)

Against: 2 (S. Dorosh, L. Wright) Abstain: 0

**Motion carried**

**2003-04-01 B** Moved by S. Dorosh: That the January 2003 minutes, as prepared by the Recording Secretary, be adopted with corrections and changes as noted by the Board members at the April Board meeting.

In favour 2 (SDor, LW) Against: 5 (BB, SC, JC, SDag, FL) Abstain: 0 **Motion defeated**

#### 2. Breeders list requirement proposed

Discussion involved what would be considered the basic requirements a breeder should meet to be listed in our newsletter and on our website. There were additional requirements that several of us would like to see but until there is a standardized testing and recording system in place these were considered too difficult to verify.

**2003-04-02 A** Moved by S. Dorosh: That VC terminate the Breeder’s Registry effective July 1, 2003 and provide a 6-month refund to any breeder who has paid for a one year listing subscription.

In favour: 1 (SDor) Against: 6 (BB, SC, JC, SDag, FL, LW) Abstain: 0 **Motion defeated**

**2003-04-02 B** Moved by J. Coneybeare: That the following be added to the current requirements for breeders on the VC Breeders List: All breeding stock must be certified clear of hip dysplasia by OFA, OVC, PenHip or other certifying institution approved by Vizsla Canada.

In favour: 6 Against: 1 (SDor) Abstain: 0

**Motion carried**

**2003-04-02 C** Moved by J. Coneybeare: That the following be added to the current requirements for breeders on the VC Breeders List: If the breeder is a Canadian resident, breeding stock and puppies must be registered with the CKC. If the breeder is not a Canadian resident, breeding stock and puppies must be registered in a stud book recognized by the Canadian Kennel Club.

In favour: 5 Against: 2 (SDor, LW) Abstain: 0

**Motion carried**

**2003-04-02 D** Moved by J. Coneybeare: That the following be added to the current requirements for breeders on the VC Breeders List: The breeder agrees to be responsible for all puppies he has bred and to accept their puppies back from buyers who are no longer able to keep them.

In favour: 6 Against: 1 (SDor) Abstain: 0 **Motion carried**

**2003-04-02 E** Moved by J. Coneybeare: That the Breeders Registry listing include the following statement: " Vizsla Canada recommends that breeding stock be checked for other known health concerns including eye problems and hypothyroidism and that dogs known to have an inheritable disease not be bred."

In favour: 6 Against: 1 (SDor) Abstain: 0 **Motion carried**

**2003-04-02 F** Moved by J. Coneybeare: That a statement be added at the top of the Breeders Registry describing what qualifications these breeders have agreed to maintain to be listed here.

In favour: 6 Against: 1 (SDor) Abstain: 0 **Motion carried**

### 3. National Specialty

**2003-04-03** Moved by F. Lacko: That the VC board call for input from club members on the judges and place to hold a 2004 Specialty by asking for suggestions in the next issue of VC newsletter.

In favour: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0 **Motion carried**

### 4. 2003 Events

#### 4.1 Ontario – Booster Show – Caledon Kennel Association

At this time the current financial status of the club is still unclear. The cost of a Booster this year may not be feasible. Suggestions included holding one in conjunction with a National Specialty or holding a Booster in the west if we decide to do a specialty in the east again in 2004.

**2003-04-04(1)** Moved by F. Lacko: That the VC board postpone any Booster shows this year and consider proposals for Boosters for the next year at the January 2004 meeting.

In favour: 6 Against: 1 (SDor) Abstain: 0 **Motion carried**

#### 4.2 Temperament Test - Ontario (info item)

Sylvia reported she has been unsuccessful in contacting TT Assoc. to determine available dates and her property will not be available for holding a test this year. She included documents received from TTA in case anyone else on the Board wanted to organize this type of fundraiser. Debbie Reid offered the use of their land.

There was discussion of considering a CGN test instead. Barrie reported on a CGN he was involved with. Apparently the CKC costs and lack of organization made it difficult as information booklets and forms were not received in time for the test.

### 5. Breedlines Committee

We have now missed several deadlines for providing a breedlines column for *Dogs In Canada*. Sylvia provided a summary of how the Breedlines Committee was to function as approved in the April, 2002 meeting.

**2003-04-05** Moved by F. Lacko: That the VC board approves advertising for the breedlines coordinator in the newsletter.

In favour: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

**Motion carried**

**6. Financials and Bank** (Info item. No action required as all materials have now been received)

**7. Proposal for Future Online Meetings**

Smartgroups has some problems with down time and timely posting of items. There was discussion of other possible groups. Laura reported she has found Yahoo very reliable. It was suggested we give it a “test run” for one meeting.

**2003-04-07** Moved by F. Lacko that we do NOT set up a group discussion to hold VC Board meetings on Smartgroups.

In favour: 6 Against: 1 (SDor) Abstain: 0

**Motion carried**

**8. Proposal for revision of by-laws**

**2003-04-08(1)** Moved by F. Lacko: That we form a committee to start looking into revisions to our by-laws.

In favour: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

**Motion carried**

**9. Vice President’s Position**

Karlo Gombar has expressed his interest in filling the Vice-President position recently vacated by the resignation of Debbie Reid.

**2003-04-09** Moved by L. Wright: That the Board appoints Karlo Gombar to the position of Vice President of Vizsla Canada.

In favour: 7 Against: 0 Abstain: 0

**Motion carried**

**10. Report from the corresponding Secretary – Laura Wright** (information item)

About 25 puppy/breed/rescue inquiries have been received since the January meeting. It appears inquiries have decreased since our ad stopped appearing in *Dogs In Canada*. Approvals were received for our Specialty show & judge and our FD Test dates/judges. Miscellaneous statements/notices were received from CKC. Oakville & Dist. KC invited us to hold a booster; Maple Leaf Chow Club invited attendance at their handling seminar.

**11. Report from the Membership Chair/Treasurer – Sherry Cleveland.** (information item)

Sherry reported that there were 24 new members coming mostly from puppy buyers whose breeders encouraged them to join. But about 28 members have not renewed yet this year. Considering the time required to follow-up by phone, other suggestions were discussed: email renewal forms and follow-up with a brightly-coloured notice with the newsletter (Jayne); send personalized invoices at renewal time (Sylvia)

**12. Date for Next Board Meeting.** (Action item)

**2003-04-12** Moved by F. Lacko: That the next Board meeting starts on Thursday, July 24, 2003 at 8:00 p.m. EDST.

In favour: 6 Against: 0 Abstain: 1 (SDag)

**Motion carried**

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **13. Removal of Board member**

Under Article 6 – Procedure

#### **5. Removal of Members**

This item was opened by Frank on May 16, 2003 at 1:07 pm EDST. At the time the meeting was adjourned, no response had been received from Sylvia Dorosh.

**2003-04-13** Motion by F. Lacko, Sherry Cleveland, Barrie Brinkworth, Jayne Coneybeare, Sylvie Dagenais: As members of the Vizsla Canada Board of Directors, we move that Sylvia Dorosh be removed from the Vizslas Canada Board.

In favour: 5 Against: 2 (SDor, LW) Abstain: 0

**Motion carried**

**Meeting adjourned: May 19, 2003 2 8:24 PM (EDST)**

Prepared by:

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