

Minutes of the January 2007 Vizsla Canada Board Meeting

Numbering of motions indicates year and month of the meeting at which the motion was made, and item number on the agenda. If there is more than one motion per agenda item, they are distinguished with letters. E.g. 2006-01-06C indicates the third motion made on agenda item 6 at the January 2006 meeting.

1. Review and adoption of the minutes from the September 2006 meeting

2007-01-01 Moved by Hilarie Brinkworth: That we adopt the minutes of the September 2006 board meeting.

For 6 (JC,PL,LC,HB,JV,FB) Against 0 Abstain 1 (LW)

Motion Carried

2. E-newsletter and website brags

Discussion of the details of the new electronic newsletter with the editor.

2007-01-02A Moved by Hilarie Brinkworth: That we accept Martha Lacko's offer to produce 3 e-mail and 3 hard copy newsletters of the Vizsla Canada Newsletter until the club is financially able to produce 6 hard copy newsletters of the Vizsla Canada Newsletter, as previously.

For 7 (LW,JC,PL,LC,HB,JV,FB) Against 0 Abstain 0

Motion Carried

The idea to post brags on the club website for a small fee was put forth, to encourage members to submit brags at any time, not just for the printed newsletter.

2007-01-02B Moved by Hilarie Brinkworth: That we accept Martha Lacko's suggestion of minimal charges for Brags in the e-newsletters.

For 7 (LW,JC,PL,LC,HB,JV,FB) Against 0 Abstain 0

Motion Carried

3. Welcoming of new Ontario Director

Jayne welcomed Ray Rowan as our new Ontario Director, replacing Martha Lacko, who had moved to the US. He has bought a computer and will have email in the near future.

4. Resignation of the President

The board received written notice from President Francois Bernier of his resignation, dated January 22, 2007 and effective February 22, 2007, due to unforeseen time constraints with his job and CKC commitments. Jayne thanked him for his past work with the club. Discussion about filling the position. Notice to be placed in the electronic newsletter about the position vacancy.

5. Use of Pay Pal to accept payments for merchandise and membership dues

The suggestion to make use of Pay Pal by the club was put forth by Martha Lacko. Laura had contacted other clubs who use Pay Pal and reported that all were happy with the service, including the minimal charges incurred for the service. She explained how Pay Pal works for those who weren't familiar with it, and reported that there were several ways the club could use Pay Pal which did not force those paying to have a Pay Pal account.

2007-01-05 Moved by Jayne Coneybeare: That Vizsla Canada open a Pay Pal account to sell the Archives CD, and evaluate its usefulness with regards to membership renewals in the future.

For 5 (LW,JC,PL,LC,JV) Against 0 Abstain 1 (HB)

Motion Carried

6. 2007 Annual General Meeting Planning

2007-01-06 Moved by Laura Wright: That the board waits until the April board meeting and the appointment of a president to decide on the date and location of the 2007 AGM.

For 6 (LW,JC,PL,LC,HB,JV) Against 0 Abstain 0

Motion Carried

7. Membership Survey results/discussion

The board viewed the membership survey results and all the comments left by members. Rank of members' reasons to be a member of the club:

1. To support the club in general
2. To receive the newsletter
3. To meet other Vizsla owners
4. To hear about CKC-sanctioned events hosted by VC
5. To attend informal events/seminars hosted by VC

It was gratifying to see the support for the club that was shown here. The importance to the membership of the newsletter was demonstrated by the survey. Winners of the draw for a paid 2007 membership were Cindy and Bob Brewster, who donated the equivalent money to the club's trophy fund.

8. Report from the Treasurer

2007-01-08 Moved by Laura Wright: That we accept the Treasurer's report.

For 5 (LW,PL,LC,HB,JV) Against 0 Abstain 1 (JC)

Motion Carried

9. Report from the Correspondence Secretary

2007-01-09 Moved by Laura Wright: That the board accepts the report of the Correspondence Secretary.

For 5 (LW,JC,LC,HB,JV) Against 0 Abstain 1 (PL)

Motion Carried

10. 2007 Field Test planning

Ray Rowan has volunteered to be chair of our 2007 tests. Since he is not yet online, Pam has been getting updates for the board by telephone. He is hoping to hold the tests on our June priority dates, at Liz Outram's farm.

11. Other Business and next meeting date

2007-01-11A Moved by Jayne Coneybeare: That in future elections, the Nominating Committee confirm that all nominees have a current CKC membership or are in the process of acquiring one.

For 1 (JC) Against 5 (LW,PL,LC,HB,JV) Abstain 0

Motion Lost

2007-01-11B Moved by Pam Laprise: That in future elections, the Nominating Committee confirm that all nominees have a current CKC membership.

For 5 (LW,PL,LC,HB,JV) Against 0 Abstain 0

Motion Carried

Next board meeting to start April 30, 2007.

12. Adjournment

Jayne adjourned the meeting on April 1.

Completed by Laura Wright, Vizsla Canada Recording Secretary