

Haute Dawgs Board Meeting August 2, 2019

Present:	Gail Gomes, Patty Diehl, Debbie Campbell, Sandy Taylor, Anna Potter, Kris Backus, Sara McKinley (by phone), Daniel Edwards (by phone)
Absent:	Diane Adams, Ann Kitchen
Location:	Western Agility Group picnic table ☺☺

Meeting called to order 4:05 p.m.

Agenda Items discussed:

1. Suggested per-run price increases for CPE and NADAC trials
2. Trial Committee compensation
3. Treasurer
4. Transition of presidency
5. Donna D'Amico
6. Raffle prizes
7. Nose work

1. Suggested per-run price increases for CPE and NADAC trials

Susan Rappillus of WAG suggested per-run price increases for both CPE and NADAC trials: **The base per-run price would increase by \$1 from \$14 to \$15.** The reason/need for the increase is that both organizations are raising the per-run cost for clubs. Patty said she looked at other venues around the state and said that the increase is right in line with other clubs' prices.

Susan's proposal also suggested the following for judges' fees:

CPE Judges in 2020 to be paid \$1.25 per run and then take it to \$1.50 per run in 2021 and then both judges in CPE and NADAC will have the same rate paid via the clubs that are coming to the WAG Facility.

As one of three clubs who host agility trials regularly at the WAG facility, we have striven to work together on things like this.

Board action:

- Gail moved to approve the price increase per run per Susan's writeup (see full proposal attached).
- Debbie and Patty seconded.
- All were in favor.

2. Trial Committee compensation

Current NADAC trial committee compensation (per Daniel):

Full day's entry for each job: trial chair, trial secretary, raffle, hospitality, CRS, chief scorekeeper.
(Typically, raffle and awards is ONE job)

Current CPE trial committee compensation (per Anna):

Trial chair: 1 dog full entry

Trial secretary: 2 dogs full entries

Everyone else: 1 dog full entry

Anna proposed that the trial chair get 2 dogs compensated because of the amount of work required, including setting up the trial, securing a judge (CPE), creating the committee. Kris also agreed, and said that we have very few trial chairs, and they are the ones who are on-the-job during the trial to settle issues and disputes, and deserve higher compensation.

Anna also proposed that for those committee members who are running more than one dog, then give their 2nd dog the lowest per-run rate.

Anna also confirmed that if you are on the trial committee, you do not accept raffle tickets.

Daniel proposed that NADAC align with CPE. Sandy asked about judging assignments because she thought that Karin B. did all the judging assignments for the NADAC trials. Daniel confirmed that she does, but the trial chair still does a lot of coordination and it still justifies more compensation.

Proposal:

- Trial chair: 2 dogs full entry
- Trial sec: 2 dogs entry
- Committee members do not accept raffle tickets
- Committee members running more than one dog get the lowest per-run rate for 2nd (and 3rd) dog.
- Raffles/awards position should be one person's job.

Board action:

- Gail moved we approve this proposal.
- Patty seconded.
- Those in favor: Gail, Patty, Debbie, Anna, Kris, Sara, Daniel
- Abstain: Sandy

3. Treasurer

Sara has been treasurer for 9 years, and she is moving out of state. Anna thought that in January we could put in a new person as treasurer at our annual meeting. Until then, we need to find someone to

do the job on an interim basis. Then when we get the new person in, Sara would be available to train them.

Anna offered to be the interim treasurer.

Right now Sara uses Quicken. She has not yet converted it to Excel. Taxes are now done, so she can export the Quicken data to Excel and go from there.

Whoever is our next treasurer needs to know Excel, be reliable with money, provide reports. Sara agreed that we need a responsible person, trustworthy, because we have upwards of \$32,000 now.

The suggestion was that we have more than one person who can sign checks. Currently both Sara and Anna can sign. Sara said that it is best if just the treasurer keeps the checks, but agreed in having more than one signer.

It would be best if we didn't have to deal with all these checks/cash but went electronic. Because the treasurer has to go to the bank and deposit all the checks/cash. We agreed that we would like to move to more electronic payments/processing, but will need to leave that to the new treasurer to spearhead.

Board action:

- Gail nominated Anna to be interim treasurer.
- Patty seconded.
- All in favor!

Action item:

Form a committee to select a new treasurer:

- Anna will ask Patti Idlof if she will be on the committee.
- Gail offered to help on the committee.
- Debbie Campbell will also be on the committee.

Action item: Sara will provide a list of treasurer duties that the committee can use to find a person.

4. Transition of presidency

Anna is stepping down as president, and Debbie is going to assume the duties. Anna looked through the bylaws about how to transition the presidency to Debbie, but there is nothing specifically said about this type of transition, so we are free to come up with our own method! Anna has been compiling a list of duties that she will pass over to Debbie.

Those present agreed on the following course of action: On September 1st

- Debbie Campbell is president.
- Send an email (Anna will send it) to general membership informing them of the transition.
- Kris will also update the website on that date.

5. Donna D'Amico

At our last membership meeting, Donna D'Amico left Haute Dawgs, as she no longer is involved in dog sports. Anna recommended that we keep her on as a founding, honorary member.

Board action: All agreed!

6. Raffle prizes

Kris has a raffle prize she made to donate as raffle prizes and asked when we could hold a raffle and who we could give the money to. It was recommended we have a raffle at the January CPE trial and begin donations again to organizations we have supported in the past, and consider other organizations as well.

7. Nose Work

Sara wanted to make sure that the board doesn't lose support for Nose Work. Debbie is involved in nose work and said she will continue to bring nose work concerns to the board and to the organization.

Sara asked if we could have some Double Digit dogs tags for Nose Work. (We had a bunch of these made for the May CPE trial to give out to members who have dogs 10 years or older. The tags are appropriate for both agility and nose work.)

Action item: Debbie took some Double Digit dog tags and will bring them to the next nose work trial.

Kris moved to adjourn meeting at 5:00 p.m. Debbie seconded. All in favor.