

MINUTES

Haute Dawgs Agility Group Board Meeting

June 26, 2020 | *Meeting called to order by* Debbie Campbell at 6:41 p.m.

In Attendance via Zoom

Present: Acting President Debbie Campbell, Interim Treasurer and Past President Anna Potter, Secretary Kris Backus, Directors-at-Large Diane Adams, Daniel Edwards, Ann Kitchen, Gail Gomes

Absent: Vice President Sandy Taylor

Discussion Topics

This meeting was scheduled at the last meeting on May 22 specifically to discuss whether or not to go forward with upcoming trials, in particular the July 24-26 CPE trial and the August NADAC trial.

1. Upcoming Trials – Go Forward Plan and Protocols

There is no new information from CPE re: masks in the ring (currently CPE is requiring masks in the ring.) Our state guidelines say masks are not required if you are outdoors and can maintain a 6 foot distance. Diane says that our Governor says we are on the watch list and we may be shut down again. There was some discussion about whether the arena is considered inside or outside.

Kris mentioned that Justine, trial chair for July CPE, was working with the judge to design the courses for the weekend such that he could remain 6 feet away from exhibitors during the run.

Daniel reminded us that the August NADAC Disco Nights trial is ALL outdoors.

Debbie suggested that we follow the state guidelines and the CPE guidelines – currently the handlers would run with masks on. Debbie floated the idea that we could, as a club, require masks at all times when you are within 6 feet of anyone.

Daniel mentioned that we should have a box of disposable masks available for those who forget them. (Ready to Run is going to do this.) We could charge \$1 each.

We may also need to mark crating/setup areas on the ground with paint/chalk.

Daniel mentioned that WAG is going to have two 40-foot canopies set up outside for dogs/handlers to queue up.

In summary, we support:

- State guidelines followed
- CPE/NADAC rules are followed
- WAG rules are followed

Item 1: will we require anyone within the inside arena to wear a mask? Do we consider the barn an inside or outside building?

MOTION

Anna moved that when inside the barn masks must be worn at all times.

Ann seconded the motion.

In favor: Kris, Ann, Anna, Gail

Against: Debbie

Abstain: Diane, Daniel

Motion passed.

Item 2:

Do we as a club require, for the outside ring, more restrictions than what the State of CA guidelines require, specifically requiring anyone in the ring, to wear masks?

MOTION

Ann K. moved that in NADAC, any worker in the outside ring must wear a mask. (Note: Currently CPE requires masks for all people in all rings, inside or outside.)

Anna seconded the motion.

In favor: Anna, Ann

Against: Daniel, Diane, Gail, Kris, Debbie

Abstain: None

Motion did not pass. We must remind people to keep the 6 feet distance and adhere to overriding state guidelines. And if we see that any of our workers are not keeping distance, then we must ask them to wear masks.

Item 3:

MOTION

Anna moved we go forward with both CPE July and NADAC August trials.

Daniel seconded.

In favor: Kris, Ann, Gail, Diane, Debbie

Against: None

Abstain: None

Motion passed. Using above guidelines, we will move forward with both summer trials!

2. August NADAC Start Time

Daniel has submitted the trial application to NADAC for the August Disco Nights trial. Both Friday and Saturday are nighttime trials. Sunday is a daytime trial.

The previous 3 times we've done this trial we started at 6 pm Friday/Saturday, and 9 am Sunday. Daniel has been toying around with starting at 5 pm Friday/Saturday. Daniel asked our opinion on starting at 5 pm or 6 pm Friday/Saturday. Starting at 5 means you finish earlier, but people would have to get there by 4, during the heat of the day.

Diane and Kris both thought the 6 pm start in the evenings worked best. The board encouraged Daniel to make sure his committee was good with the times.

Daniel has confirmed a local judge, Murrelet.

Daniel moved we adjourn the meeting. Anna seconded. All in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 8:13 p.m.