CANINE FREESTYLE FEDERATION
Board of Directors Meeting
October 13, 2024

President Leila Widgren called the meeting to order at 7:06 pm. Members present included Julia Gregory, Janet Dayton, Diana Simpson, Kathy Noble, Sarah Jinnah, and Shari Bryant. Carl Tennille was absent.

President's Report: Leila Widgren

- A new process was adopted to make meetings more efficient.

Treasurer's Report: Carl Tennille

- Closing balance of $12,728.31
- ***Motion to approve the Treasurer's report by Julia Gregory and seconded by Kathy Noble. Motion carried***.
- There was discussion regarding replacing Carl as Treasurer. It was decided to form a committee to develop a list of names and contact them. ***Motion to form a committee with Kathy and Julia as members and a third member to be selected from the membership by Julia Gregory and seconded by Shari Bryant. Motion carried.***
- The CFF logo has been renewed through 2029.

Recording Secretary's Report: Shari Bryant

- ***Motion to approve the long September meeting minutes by Kathy Noble; seconded by Julia Gregory. Motion carried***.
- ***Motion to approve the short September meeting minutes (for publishing on the CFF website) by Sarah Jinnah; seconded by Diana Simpson. Motion carried***.
- Website revisions are on hold so the board meeting minutes will be included in the newsletter. ***Motion to include the web version of the meeting minutes in the Paws to Dance newsletter by Julia Gregory and seconded by Sarah Jinnah. Motion carried.*** The web version of the board minutes from August, September and October will be in the November Paws to Dance.

Membership Secretary Report: Diana Simpson

- There are 70 members. One new member from Wisconsin.
- It was suggested to have a second person with knowledge on how to access website, upload videos, etc.

Vice-President Report/Events: Sarah Jinnah

- Planning is on track for the November 2-3, 2024 event in Winston-Salem
- Brenda may not be able to judge at the trial. Rickie will judge, if needed.
- There are 22 entries representing all of the levels.

<u>Committee Reports:</u>

Judges: Janet Dayton

- The judges for the titling event in North Carolina are Brenda, Julia, and Janet. As noted above, Brenda may not be able to attend. Rickie will be the replacement.
- Several judges met via Zoom to prepare for the North Carolina event.

Guilds: Kathy Noble

- There will be entries from four Guilds at the trial in Winston Salem – Carolina Canine Freestyle Guild, Sirius Guild, North Coast Freestylers Guild and Canis Major Guild.

Communications: Vacant

- The premium and newsletter were sent to the membership.
- No member expressed interest in serving as Communications Director. The Communications Director needs to understand about CFF – either who to ask or where to get help. It was decided that the committee looking for the Treasurer also can search for a Communications Director.

Education: Julia Gregory

- A couple of attorneys were contacted regarding copyright.
- The link for Lesson 2 of the online class was completed. It will be reviewed.

Jamboree Committee: No report. The North Coast Freestyle Guild will have flyers at the trial in North Carolina.

Old Business:

- Scoring Duties - Carl will talk with Janet regarding the scoring duties.

New Business:

- There was discussion regarding the next priority for the board. The general consensus was "Support Distance Coaching" followed by "Online Competition". It was noted distance coaching will be important to support the online class. It was questioned whether there would be distance coaching for students that have taken a CFF class, but are not taking the online class. It was felt these were two separate groups of students. The organization may develop a mentoring program for these students.
- The rulebook will be reviewed for updates. The board will need to decide the Level III and IV A and B classes to include in the updates.

Adjournment:

- ***Motion to adjourn by Sarah Jinnah; seconded by Julia Gregory. Motion carried.***
- Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Shari Bryant, Secretary