

New England Regional Meeting

September 18, 2010

Buffalo, NY

1. Welcome from RD Pia Blackwell

Pia asks for regional club roll call from acting secretary Tracy Stowers

Clubs present:

Empire

Liberty

Niagra

Bay State

Inner City

Southern New Hampshire

Outkast

Ocean State

Quinebaug

2. Old Business

Pia announced that the revised Regional Universal Seiger guidelines and regulations went to email ballot and that only four clubs responded. Pia explains that we have outgrown the old regulations and that she would like to see less favoritism towards the US bred dogs and make all dogs on an even playing field.

Motion by Claudia Romard to resubmit the revised version to vote now with all the clubs present.

Seconded by Donna Rink.

Motions passed unanimously by roll call.

Motion by Ivana Carlson to put the revised version in effect beginning January 1, 2011.

Seconded by Scott Carlson.

Motion passed unanimously by hands.

3. Treasury Report

Tracy reads the treasury report supplied by Secretary/Treasurer Karen Pelligrino.

Motion by Kandi Jacopino to accept the report.

Seconded by Pia Blackwell.

Motion passed unanimously by hands.

4. New Business

- a. Claudia addressed the selection process for helpers for the regional competition and the procedure should be outlined in the by laws. Open discussion followed.

Motion by John Horan that the Wednesday before the regional competition trial helpers cannot work competing dogs.

Motion tabled.

Motion by John Horan to vote on a pre-selection method for trial helpers for regional competition. The motion is for three options for the hosting club to choose from in the selection of trial helpers for the regional championship:

- I. Having announced tryouts at the competition
- II. Having a pre selection by the hosting club with no try outs to be confirmed by helper selection committee by majority vote
- III. Helpers try out at a helper evaluation event which has been authorized with an event authorization. Selection will be decided by the helper selection committee by majority vote.

Motion passed

Motion by Claudia to have the helper selection committee for the regional championship to be made up of the regional teaching helpers residing in the region, Regional Director and Regional Training Director.

Motion seconded by Donna Rink

Motion passed unanimously by roll call.

Motion by John Horan that pre selected helpers cannot work competition dogs commencing Wednesday before regional completion event

Motion seconded by Donna

Motion passes by hands (7 – yes, 1- no, 1 abstain)

- b. Claudia reminded everyone that the tradition of regional training day started last year and that Inner City did a great job with it this year.
- c. No Breedwarden report
- d. Ivana informs clubs that there is \$1500 to each region available to clubs for general education events held in the region thru July 1, end of fiscal year.
- e. Pia thanked Quinebaug for holding the Regional Conformation Show in 2010. She asks who is interested in holding an event for 2011.

Motion for Inner City to hold the Regional Championships in 2011

Motion passed.

Motion for Empire to hold the Regional Conformation Show in 2011

Motion passed

Quinebuag and Bay State offered to hold the regional training weekend in 2011

Pia asked for anyone interested in hosting a 2012 event? No response

Tracy reminds clubs to let her know if there are any club contact changes so she can update the website.

Meeting Adjourns.