

**East Region GSSCC Annual General Meeting**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**May 19, 2012**  
Winslow PEI

1. Call to Order: 16:50

2. 2011 Meeting Minutes – Reading forgone.

*Motion to accept as written: K. Day. 2<sup>nd</sup> D. Comeau. In Favour All. Opposed None. Abstained None. Questions: None.*

3. Roll Call of Clubs

Present: Fundy Schutzhund Club, Central New Brunswick Schutzhund Club, PEI Schutzhund Club, East Coast Working Dog Club, Newfoundland Schutzhund Club

4. Chairperson Report (P. Haslett) – Welcome and thanks.

Chair report key points:

- An impressive 17 dogs present to represent at Regionals.
- 2011 was a good year with Raino representing at the Universal Sieger Show and honoured with being asked to be judge; good regional representation at the Nationals; Robin and Raino qualified for the WUSV worlds in Ukraine and Darin and Raino qualified for Universal Sieger Worlds in Slovenia.
- This year the Nationals will be in Saint John.
- The region lost a club (North Atlantic Schutzhund Club) but some of its members are still active.
- Encouragement to stay active and keep the clubs going.

5. Treasurers Report (K. March)

- Thanks to JP Girard who continues to help with the finances.
- Summarized financial report (attached).

6. Trial Report (R. Fluegge)

- Thanks for early set up of events.
- Presented details (attached) of numerous trials in the region including 7 GSSCC Nationals competitors which is a high proportion; representation at the Worlds; 10 NSC, 8 ECWD, 17 PEISC; 36 FSC and 39 CNBSC competitors in trials.
- Wishing good luck to those in the coming Nationals.

7. Show Report (R. Haslett)

Show report (attached) key points:

- Hips and elbow certification now required for Show Working Class and Breed Survey.
- Breed survey no longer separated in part 1 and 2.
- Sandy MacAlister (see Shepherd Sport or web for contact) is now responsible for Breed Surveys.
- A presentation of the revised version of the Show Program will hopefully be ready for AGM at Nationals.
- Good to see all the entries at Regionals and look forward to Nationals.

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***Motion to accept Reports:*** R. Winter. 2<sup>nd</sup> E. LeBlanc.

*Question:* What was the 175\$ for T-Shirts? PH: Team shirts for Nationals Competitors.

*In Favour All. Opposed None. Abstained None.*

8. Guidelines for Region (R. Fluegge)

- The guideline committee (J. Parsons, R. Winter, D. Clarke and R. Fluegge) provided input to the guidelines and agreed on the revised Guidelines incorporating GSSCC Policy (attached).

- As previously, these are intended as a working document not policy and it is intended that they can be revised.

***Motion to accept revised guidelines:*** R. Fluegge. 2<sup>nd</sup> K. Day.

*Questions:*

*D. Comeau – Can the guidelines be reviewed yearly? RF – Motions can be made to change at meetings.*

*M. Clarke – Not comfortable accepting guidelines without all members having opportunity to review. RF – Will call Special Meeting in Fall to motion on Guidelines. Guidelines will be sent to members.*

***Motion withdrawn.***

*M. Clarke – Requested that Agenda for meetings be sent earlier.*

9. Insurance (P. Haslett)

- Sue Mullins has clarified Insurance coverage Nationally. Club sanctioned events are covered.

*Question (D. Donovan): Has Nationals venue affected insurance? PH – No.*

10. Dog Sport Gear Sponsorship (P. Haslett)

- This years renewal of the Dog Sport Gear agreement has been sent to the clubs. If there are questions, contact Peter or April Larsen.

- A second set of helper gear is to go to the Region. The formula has been defined within the 3 year agreement worth approx. 80K. It is a large document with many requirements, restrictions and penalties.

*R. Winter – The organizers need to get equipment and banners on time.*

*P. Haslett – It was asked if the gear could be sent for the Working Weekend prior to Regionals. The agreement identifies that the gear will be for the Official practice only and must be delivered to a Board member.*

*R. Winter – Can we request timely delivery? PH – yes, as per sponsor agreement.*

*M. Clarke – Last years motion was not in contravention of the agreement. The Executive represents the region and the region accepted the 2011 motion. The Regional event hosting is to the benefit of the region and the host club should be able to receive the 2<sup>nd</sup> set of gear.*

*P. Haslett – As noted in the financial report the region has a low cash flow.*

*R. Fluegge – The PEISC as host this year, will donate proceeds from raffle of Dog Sport donations to the Region.*

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*Motion to give the specified gear to the Host Committee: M. Clarke, 2<sup>nd</sup> R. Fluegge.*  
*Questions: None. In Favour All. Opposed None. Abstained None.*

**11. Website (Schutzhundeast.ca)**

- The website has been updated. Please keep in mind that web maintenance is a voluntary role. Provide Peter with material that is to go on the web site.
- D. Donovan (webmaster) can set up an online auction after Nationals. Volunteers requested to determine what is needed for auction. Let Peter know if you want to help.

12. Old Business (P. Haslett)  
None Identified.

13. New Business

13-1) Board Positions (P. Haslett)

- Two Board positions are up this year. Rachel has agreed to stay on as Show Chair. Dawn Strickland has agreed to take the Secretary Treasurer position.
- In addition, Paula Parrill has agreed to stand as election committee chair.

13-2) Improved Communication and Special Meetings (R. Winter)

- Request for improved communication and meeting notice on the regional web site.

*Motion to have correspondence sent to Dave to go on Web site and Agenda and Notice of Special Meetings to be sent by email: T. Roy, 2<sup>nd</sup> R. Winter.*  
*Questions: None. In Favour All. Opposed None. Abstained None.*

13-3) Next Regionals (P. Haslett)

- Two applications have been received for 2013 Regionals – CNBSC and NSC.

*J. Parsons – NSC agrees to withdraw their application for 2013 but wishes to hold the 2014 Regionals.*

- CNBSC will hold the 2013 Regionals.

*Motion that NSC will hold the 2014 Regionals: R. Fluegge, 2<sup>nd</sup> D. Comeau.*  
*Questions: None. In Favour All. Opposed None. Abstained None.*

13-4) AGM Timing (R. Winter)

- Can we move the AGM to another time than Regionals?

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*R. Fluegge – In agreement, it is unfair to the regional host club and competitors who are focusing on the trial.*

***Motion that the AGM be moved ahead (at a working weekend prior to Regionals and not before April 1): R. Fluegge, 2<sup>nd</sup> R. Winter.***

*Questions:*

*D. Comeau – Can meeting be just for presidents representing members. PH – Policy is that all members may attend the AGM.*

*M. Clarke – This does not mean that members must be there in person. The hosting club would be responsible to provide Skype or similar remote access.*

*D. Donovan – Comment that some may not be able to attend given working weekend.*

*In Favour All. Opposed None. Abstained None.*

***Motion to adjourn meeting: M. Clarke, 2<sup>nd</sup> K. Day. In Favour All. Opposed None. Abstained None.***

Meeting Adjourned: approx. 17:50

Attachments

Financial Report, Trial Report, Show Report, Guidelines for Region

*Minutes prepared by K. March*