# OBCC Board Meeting Minutes

## June 4, 2021 7:00pm

### Attendees:

Mary Thompson

Marie Sawford

Kevan Gretton

Kim Gretton

Rebecca Lawrence

### Agenda:

### Minutes March 5, 2021 – Approval

### The digital newsletter – April 1st edition – comments? Next issue – August 1, 2021 - Mary

### Membership renewal – Kim – update for 2021

### L&D report – Update – Mary

### Trials Committee – Update - the chair will take back point tracking for 2021 – Mary

### Nominating Committee – Volunteers; Lynn Johnston, Kelly Morrow, and Anne Wheatley – vote needed

### Archive Recommendation – vote needed

### New website update – Rebecca

### Old Website – discussion by all

### New Business

### Board of Directors Minutes

* April 9th minutes Approved by Kevan, Seconded by Marie

Digital Newsletter

* Original picked date of August 1st for next newsletter, but nothing has been able to happen with the Ontario Covid-19 lockdown.
* Mary spoke with Catherine (Content Editor): Should we postpone? Go forward? Catharine feels we should stick to the deadline with content we are able to gather.
* Mary is working on having Werner R. do up an article on the Herding Spotlight, and Helen will do up a “Gone but Not Forgotten” article.
* Anne & the Nominating Committee will do up an article about the Club and the volunteering needed to run the Club. How our members can directly help the Club, not just helping out at trials.
* Catharine asked Florentine to write about the latter’s current job in Saskatchewan
* Rebecca feels we should go for it, we also have the one Nursery trial upcoming since we can’t have spectators. Mary says that Catharine is already on top of this!
* Mary says we can try to put in something about tentative plans going forward for the Club for events.
* Everything is pending based on Provincial rules & regulations re: Covid-19
* Cut off for articles is July 1st.
* Everyone is in agreement to do so

Budget

* Kim says that there hasn’t any event support going out currently. Everything has been postponed so we are in a “wait and see’ pattern.
* Club had originally approved funds for Amanda’s trial as it was originally an All Classes, but the trial didn’t end up requesting them.

Learning & Development progress

* Per Mary, Learn to Pen & the Driving Clinic have had to be postponed as the Province is still in a provincial lockdown
* Mary is trying to set up something with Tracy to happen before the 1st trial of the Season at Handy Dog, doesn’t look like it will happen due to the current restrictions. Looked at different dates like Father’s Day, but don’t feel it will happen. The 19th is supposed to be a Nursery trial at Andrea’s, but that is also “up in the air”. Mary & Tracy feels that they have to wait at this point.
* Mary asked about other possible clinic ideas: Rebecca asked if the Club has put on a shedding clinic recently. There was one a few years back at Tracy’s with Scott Glen. Mary says that it is something we could to, but wouldn’t be directed at Novices’. Hence the lean towards Learn to Pen & Drive.

Trials Committee

* Jimmie’s Farm was sanctioned for Oct 2-3. Likely to be Ken Price as the judge.
* CBCA Kingston/Grass Creek trial may be pushed back to October as well. It won’t be in August (Perhaps Oct 8,9 & 10) That would overlap with the USBCHA Finals. Kevan had heard that they might be moved until after the latter’s Finals to avoid overlap with the hopes that the Canada-US Border would be open at that time. Might also be in September.
* Kevan points out if that August is going to be ‘barren’, perhaps the Club could put on a clinic during that time.
* Ontario-Manitoba-Quebec borders do not open until June when Ontario goes into Step 1
* Mary had the Open Trophy dropped off to Lorna, whom had the Trophy engraved. The Trophy is not fixed, it needs a silversmith to do. Cost is likely to be around $90 to fix based on the engraver’s opinion. Mary hasn’t approved the cost as she wasn’t sure what our budget is for repairs. Appears it is likely the arm broke off as people likely have held it by it and not by the base. Kevan feels that $90 is worth paying to have the trophy fixed. Mary is going to collect it and see if she can get it repaired then.
* Mary asked if any Board member knew where the ribbons were, Rebecca did remember that Tracy had passed them on but not sure who received them. Marie wonders if Victoria might have them, she will ask her. Mary will also ask around as well. Kim says we still have $200 for ribbons if we need more of them. Tracy had ordered them previously, Mary will check with her to see where Tracy ordered them from.

Nominating Committee

* Mary says that the Committee is going to be contacting each of the Board Member’s regarding what each role does, how much work it takes, etc.
* Marie questions what if we don’t know what our role is exactly? Mary says our guidelines don’t really state exactly what the roles are, it only spells out the President & Secretary roles. Mary states we have some space then to figure out what our roles should be moving forward for the Club.
* The Committee wants to work to change the apathy of members of the Club to see what the Club needs to do to improve and engage the membership

### New Website Update - combined with Updates to Current Site -

### Rebecca says she has finished downloading, archiving & multi-saving our Club’s historical data from the site.

* Club needs a backup person for the site, which will be Marie as it is her hosting service that she is providing
* She is planning on having the site go live by the end of next week. She received some information from Marie to go forward, and is waiting on other information from another person.
  1. Plan is to take down the site, but to get up the main required pages up as soon as possible for the Club.
  2. Home, Trials & Clinics priority, then Points & Standings. Then to bring up everything back up for the Club. Hasn’t updated the last few minutes of the Board to avoid duplicate work.
  3. Rebecca is aiming for the 13th.

Other Business

* The Archiving Committee is on pause due to the restrictions in place for Covid-19. Ontario population is restricted for visitations so John and Anne wouldn’t be able to have people over to help work on the project.
* **TO DO**: Rebecca to find good pricing for hard drives for the Club

### Next meeting:

* + Meeting adjourned at 7:45pm, next meeting tentatively set for June 6th at 7:00pm