



MANITOBA GUN DOG ASSOCIATION INC.

April 16, 2020

7:00 PM

Conference Call

Approved Meeting Minutes

Attendance Bob Norris, Colin McMichael, Dewayne Hay, Geoff Plouffe, Carrie Whenham, Matt Mutcheson, Gail Komadoski, Helen Hasiuk, Blake Hasiuk
Missing – Mark Anderson

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Approve Agenda** – Agenda was approved by all.
3. **Minutes from February Meeting** – Motion to approve the minutes – Dewayne, Seconded – Colin – Approved by all
4. **Treasurer Report** – Helen reviewed the recent statements and provided a 2020 Estimate report based on assumptions of no trials and what that looks like for the club, as well as no Grey Cup Fundraiser. Helen motioned to approve the report, seconded by Gail – approved by all.
5. **Correspondence/ New Business** –
 - MGDA received approvals for their judging panels for the events that are planned to take place in 2020
 - Discussion surrounding cheque signing and the requirement of the club to ensure we have two signatures on cheques that are written. Suggestion of signatures to be the Treasurer, as well as either the President or Secretary. Helen will confirm with the Cambrian Credit Union that this will be ok. Helen also recommended that all events are submitted back to the treasurer with a bank reconciliation from the event committee. Cheques may be pre-signed and provided to event committee as it will match up with the bank reconciliation. Colin motioned to accept these recommendations, Gail seconded the motion – approved by all.
 - Carrie received notice from a former member that her phone number is still available online when a google search is run for the MGDA. Carrie will work with Google Business to have it edited to her own.
 - Discussion around the wording in the MGDA policies regarding hunting on the property. Motion made by Dewayne for the wording to be changed to No Hunting of any water fowl or big game on the grounds. Property is to be used for Dog Training and Social Gatherings. Seconded by Geoff, approved by all.
6. **Membership** – Helen has an updated membership list that will be provided to Carrie to upload onto the website. Discussion around recent requests to send out various correspondence to members that may not necessarily be dog related. Executive decision is that any correspondence to the membership must be dog related in order to a minimum and more focussed on dog and club related subjects. Blake motioned to accept this decision, seconded by Gail, approved by all.
7. **Fund Raising** – Dewayne provided an update on obtaining donation monies from Cabela's Outdoors Fund. The application they were working on has been submitted and we will wait for their response. The turnaround for a response is usually around 60 days.
 - With the potential of no CFL season due to COVID, there will be not an opportunity to have the usual Grey Cup fundraiser. Discussion around ideas of other fundraising events. Suggestion for a possible perfume raffle was put forward. Helen suggested that there are members who have indicated on their application forms interest in assisting with fundraising. Discussion was tabled for another meeting for decision.

8. **COVID Discussion** -

- CPR training will be put on hold for now and discussed at next meeting when more news is available on how to proceed.
- National Update – the National for 2020 has been cancelled. MGDA has been awarded the opportunity to host the National for 2021. Deposits that have been made will be followed up with the vendors. Gail will follow up with Rubber Ducky campground and Nancy Morris will follow up with the Balmoral Hall. It was agreed to allow the vendor to decide what to do with the deposits as a measure of good faith with the vendors for next year.
- Trials/Tests and events for 2020 – as the various planned events get closer to their dates, decisions will be made if we are able to proceed based on direction from the province, CKC, health officials etc. Committees/ judges for each event will need to be approached to ask if they are comfortable with proceeding in their roles.
- Motion by Colin for the MGDA Spring Trial to be cancelled, Seconded by Geoff, this was not approved by all, second motion to postpone the MGDA Spring Trial to the fall, motion was passed.
- Dewayne relayed the June Hunt test will be waiting a few more weeks before determining if the event will have a cancellation. Dewayne noted there is not an opportunity to reschedule the Spring Hunt test at this time and will connect with this committee and report back to the executive via email.
- Discussion with regards to if any measures need to be taken at the grounds to ensure the safety of club members. Suggestion for email to members regarding training best practices for social distancing and if the club has hand sanitizer and signage for the grounds if necessary. Discussion to be tabled at next meeting.

9. **Ribbons and Trophies** – Ribbons have been received. Discussion if the Hunt Test ribbons can be a different color, not to be confused with the CM ribbons used at the Field Trials. Hunt Test ribbons need to be camo green.

10. **Rulebook Seminar** - Rulebook seminar that was to be held at the clubhouse will be postponed for now.

11. **Website** – Updates to be completed with regards to event cancellations. Website also needs new membership listing and updated constitution (when available) and membership guidelines added.

12. **Seminars – Kevin Chef** – no new updates, there are 5 teams registered. Seminar has not yet been postponed, will need to wait for further direction on travel guidelines etc.

13. **Equipment** – Bryan Dwyer will look at fixing one of the pistols. Purchase of a banger will be put on hold due to lower income this season.

14. **Grounds** - Colin and Dewayne provided an update on the work that has been done to the grounds by the contractor. Request to spend more money up to \$500 to build up the land if needed. Motion was made by Helen and seconded by Gail – approved by all.

- Geoff provided an update on chemical to be used for foxtail on the grounds.

15. **Scheduling of next meeting and location** – Meeting adjourned at 8:44pm – Next meeting May 21 @ 7:00pm, location or means of meeting TBD (conference call, video chat)