

Chow Chows of Western Canada Ltd.

Zoom Meeting Sunday April 24, 2022 5:00pm MST

Meeting Called to Order 5:05pm Gail Forsythe

In Attendance:

Gail Forsythe, President	Paul Boleska, Vice President
Simone Charbonneau, Secretary and BC Director	Cyndi Eldridge, AB Director
Brian McGregor, Treasurer	Cheryle McGregor
Kathleen Ross, MB Director	
Absent: Meghan Bobryck	

Item 1: CKC Status

Gail discussed the process to date and feedback (if any) from CKC. They seem to be satisfied with our application and currently published for comment. Timeline is uncertain for approval, could be 1 month. Once approved, we discussed potential events we will be required to hold. At this time we are uncertain of how many (2,3) matches required. We could hold events back to back on the same weekend. Gail will follow-up with CKC contact and investigate our next steps once approved.

Item 2 Donations and Fundraising

There are many donated items we received from the estate of a former chow enthusiast. We will need to catalogue: record item and photograph for club records. Brian and Cheryle have a list and items stored at their home.

Cyndi is aware of Sharon Philip (sp?) former breeder, chow owner in Edmonton who has items she would like to sell or donate.

Some of these items could be used to generate income for the club. Example: auction held on Facebook. We will need to investigate the process and time required. Amy Frank in USA held the American auction – reach out to Amy for further information.

Raffle or auction the Chow Chow coin.

Paul mentioned 50/50 draw, need to confirm we can without a gaming license.

Discussion in Olds regarding silent auction, online auction, live online auction.

Item 3 Memberships

Year to date 12 members have paid, mainly Executive and Cyndi's sister. Due to Paul's illness, he was unable to send out membership applications. Paul will draft a renewal letter.

We discussed reducing the cost of the membership which currently are \$30 voting and \$20 non voting /Junior member.

Discussed other options, reduced event fees, addition of benefits like photo on the website.

Motion by Gail Forsythe

Members to receive a 10% discount on all club event fees.

Seconded by Paul Boleska

All in favour – Yes

Motion by Brian McGregor

Seconded by Simone Charbonneau

Members to receive 5 free photos on a no charge basis on the CCWCL website per year. After 5 photos if a member would like to add more, a nominal fee will be charged of \$5.00 each

All in favour – Yes

Honorary Memberships are currently not part of our by=laws. We can present Honorary Certificate to those voted as Honorary Members.

Motion by Paul oleska

Seconded by Cyndi Eldridge

Create a Honorary Certificate for Paul and Minnie Odenkirchen for their recognition of contributions to the chow chow breed. Cost to be no more than \$50.00.

All in favour – Yes

Item 4 Treasurers Report

Current bank balance is \$1,056.00 Some 2022 memberships however no activity.

Item 5 Fun Chow Chow gathering Cayley, AB

Potential dates are July 15-17 or July 22-24 weekends. Cyndi will reachout to the Cayley campground to confirm availability. We paid for campsite last year and it was never used due to Covid.

Item 6 Master groomer webinar

Katie was approached by a master groomer and is interested in presenting to our group about different dog breed coats. The Chow Chow is an ancient breed and she is very interested. Katie to organize a zoom meeting or combine with next meeting.

Next Meeting May 29, 2022, 5:00 MST

Adjourned 7:06pm MST