

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NATIONAL POLICE CANINE ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE BOARD

Beaumont, TX – Sunday, October 9, 2011

ATTENDANCE:

Officers in attendance: President Terry Anderson, Administrative Assistant Katy Farnsworth, Treasurer Mark Green, Secretary Greg Thomas, Southwest Region Director Rob Lukason, North Central Region Director Eric Schmitz, Southeast Region Director Fred Janke, South Central Region Director Danny Valdez, Northwest Region Director Bill Delay, Northeast Region Director Mark Tobin, West Coast Region Director Elliot Zibli. The meeting commenced at approximately 1520 hours.

READING OF PRIOR MEETING MINUTES:

MOTION: Approve minutes Secretary Greg Thomas read from the April 25, 2011 telephonic meeting. The motion was discussed, voted on and passed unanimously.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

1. Membership 1188 – up from last year
2. Nationals 2012 – Lee County, FL / Fort Myers
 - a. Motion to change bylaws to allow electronic voting instead of mailing ballots. This was presented as a cost saving measure after the West Coast Region election resulted in over \$300 in printing/postage costs for the organization. Fred Janke, Mark Tobin 2nd. The motion was discussed with the format for electronic voting to follow upon investigation of options.
3. Appointed Tim Norton to fulfill Southwest Region term starting immediately after Rob Lukason moved to the Training Committee. Rob Lukason to take over Tim Norton's spot on the Training Committee.
4. Jim Fitzgerald retired and resigned from NPCA standards committee. Donald Witte (Wilmington PD; Delaware) is taking over Northeast Region Standards Committee representative.

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5. Terry Anderson read Secretary Greg Thomas's email about feedback from attending NAPWDA Nationals and possibility of NPCA purchasing trailers stocked with equipment for NPCA Seminars. Tabled idea after discussion about logistics, storage, etc.
 6. Rich Miacco to take over recruiting position from Trent Crump. Danny Valdez; Greg Thomas 2nd. The motion was discussed, voted on and passed unanimously
 7. In response to the Ron Gunton lawsuit stemming from an accidental bite during a training seminar, the topic of liability insurance for NPCA ensued. Options are being explored.
 8. Terry Fleck to be replaced as chairman of legal committee. Researching people who can replace him.
 9. Terry Anderson proposed a pay increase for Katy Farnsworth. Motion Eric Schmitz; Mark Tobin 2nd. The motion was discussed, voted on and passed unanimously
 10. Terry Anderson provided SWGDOG and NEDCAB Updates to the Board.

MOTION: Accept president report Fred Janke, Mark Tobin 2nd. The motion was discussed, voted on and passed unanimously

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

1. Discussion about Police K-9 Magazine advertising. Consensus is to continue as doing currently.

The West Coast ballots were still being received at time of this meeting. The two candidates were Elliot Zibli and Jerry Hunter. It was decided to allow WC region members more time to return ballots. Results will be announced by November. The following Officers ran unopposed.

1. Greg Thomas – Secretary
2. South West Region Director – Tim Norton
3. North East Region Director – Mark Tobin
4. North West Region Director – Bill Delay

MOTION: Accept Secretary's report – Danny Valdez; Eric Schmitz 2nd. The motion was discussed, voted on and passed unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

MAIN - \$52176.16
SEMINAR ACCT – \$20,887
CD - \$11549.17

MOTION: Accept Treasurer's report – Danny Valdez; Eric Schmitz second. The motion was discussed, voted on and passed unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT'S REPORT:

Katy is publishing certification dates on the website when they are available. This helps alleviate the issue of members missing available certification dates.

Katy discussed the issue of using credits with Southwest Airlines. The credits may now only be used for the specific person who cancelled their flight. This has resulted in several credits for NPCA leadership and they must be used within a 12 month period or NPCA loses the credit.

REGIONAL DIRECTOR REPORTS:

Each Region Director submitted written reports from their respective regions.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: To adjourn the meeting at approximately 1900 hours. The motion was discussed, voted on and passed unanimously.

Submitted by: 

Greg Thomas
NPCA Secretary
Gilbert Police Department
Gilbert, AZ

NPCA Board Meeting 2011 Nationals

Beaumont, TX

Call to Order- October 14, 2011 @ 10:09 President Anderson

Present:

President: Terry Anderson

Mark Green

Danny Valdez

Rob Roberson

Elliot Zibli

Mark Tobin

Tim Norton

Ray Ruby

Fred Janke

Not Present

Bill Delay

Greg Thomas

Introduction of Diane Hoover NPCA Business consultant to board

Membership status

By-laws for secretary Membership descriptions Associate vs full to hold office

Discussion: Fred: what is retired vs former

Green-originator of description for retired members.

Diane – no change on language of definition.

Ray Ruby membership was in error and changed to full due to currently trains k9s and should not have been reclassified as associate member.

Reviewed definitions

Diane Leave ambiguous language.in member

Motion Appointment of Ray Ruby to secretary as no nominations received to replace current secretary . Danny
2nd Elliot

Carried.

Legal Advisor

Candidate review

John Peters

Ted Daus

Discussion:

Fred Ted Daus best candidate based on current assignment and experience

Diane concerns with Daus prosecutor

Defined by Fred

Motion to nominate Ted Daus

2nd Elliot

Carried

~~Shawn Walsh~~

Doug Church

Applications Approved

Shawn Walsh pending c/o class, all members present approved, Carl Abrams approved by proxy

Gilbert Hernandez CO Detection /Patrol pending c/o class, all members present approved, Carl Abrams approved by proxy

Jeff Bragg CO Patrol. all members present approved, Carl Abrams approved by proxy

Larry Summerfield CO & Instructor Detection /Patrol. all members present approved, Carl Abrams approved by proxy

Lucas Beard CO Detection pending c/o class, all members present approved, Carl Abrams approved by proxy

Danny Bouziden CO Detection pending c/o class. all members present approved, Carl Abrams approved by proxy

Scott Long, CO Detection all members present approved, Carl Abrams approved by proxy

Jason Capen, CO Tracking / Trailing pending c/o class, all members present approved, Carl Abrams approved by proxy
Shawn Walsh-CO Detection/Patrol

Applications denied

Shawn Clark Trainer denied – NPCA Board Member recommendation letter and no Instructor course certificate

Discussion on applicants

Shawn Clark: failed to file required documents.

Motion Accept Applicants

Motion Fred

2nd Danny

~~Shawn Walsh~~

Score sheets approved with pending format changes to detector and patrol score sheet
Move score boxes from bottom for clarity.

~~SRT Table Changes~~

Break: 10:58

Resumed: 11:23

SRT

Board members each reviewed changes to SRT certification

Discussion- No discussion

Motion Except score sheet changes and swat rule changes-Fred

2nd Danny

Carried

Advanced resolution

Clarify non-k9 member requirements

legalities

Conflict of interest

Tabled by standards for clarification by Paul Koning to address goals and requirements.

Motion Except Standard Report-Fred

2nd Danny

Carried

Seminar issue Shipyards company concerned by larger number signing in than expected.

Danny handled with CEO.

Old Business

Out & Recall

Bill Delay: letter by proxy maintain 45 sec rule. Adding explanation. Will test as currently outlined.

Rob-defer due to level of expertise on patrol working dogs

Tim Require recall & out. List each level

Terry membership response is mixed and should be left up to agency requirements

Ray make as optional or note on score sheet if recall attempted and passed

Mark division within origination and levels of training limitations

Fred Based on levels of competency

Discussion on noting passed levels on score sheet

Add patrol levels to

Motion: Do not change current standards

Fred

Danny

Motion Change score sheet to reflect levels tested-Fred

2nd Danny

Carried

Clarify in rulebook no changes will be made.

Break 12:34

Resumed:13:04

No old business

Diane Hoover commented on progressive actions and resolutions in Board decisions

New Business

Terry NEDCAB

Private Industry – Private Industry K9 certifications

Presentation on NPCA creating certifications beginning with EOD. NPCA should look into developing certifications based on NEDCAB private industry standards and grants. Possibility of revenue for NPCA. Presented NEDCAB minutes for board members for review.

Reviewed IRS rules for NPCA 503 status. Rules should not affect current NPCA status

Discussion

Fred- LE instructors / C/O's being available for non-LE training and certifications. What impact would this have on the LE side of NPCA

Elliott –Sees need to maintain standards with LE and Private Industry

Mark- Set member requirements. Start with certifications then work into training.

Reviewed Cooperate membership requirements

Feasibility Study

Mark Green will research feasibility of NPCA working with Private Industry through contacts in private industry who works within the federal system.

Mark Tobin will research the financial aspects in incorporating private industry in regards to structure and startup costs.

Tabled by Terry until completion of feasibility studies

Training

Mark Green presented presentation on Regional Seminars. Four regionals in the “Four Corners” of the country and instructor development guidelines.

National Conference would be a non-dog conference and hold 4 working dog seminars. The idea is to create 4 regions to keep areas small and accessible for members. Cost and logistics vs. attendance

Discussion:

Fred concerns for logistics Is it too much too soon. Allow region to decide how to apply area training

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Elliot concerns for logistics who would set up host

Tobin sees the feasibility as easier to set up on smaller skill

Terry conduct "pilot" non-dog National to help build regional training and certification. Adjunct trainers

Danny who will attend and instruct at the regions

Ray should open doors to local agencies based on cost effectiveness to access the organization.

Fred suggested changing 2012 Nationals as the non-dog Pilot seminar.

Rob this could be a possible recruitment opportunity

Motion Table New seminar format until querying membership as to applying new format for 2013 Fred

2nd Tobin

Next meeting TBA

Motion: Adjourn-Fred

2nd Tobin

Meeting adjourned at 14:50

Meeting Notes by Ray Ruby



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REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

REGION (CIRCLE ONE): NC/NE/NW/SC/SE/SW

REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVE NAME: Mark Tobias DATE: 10/9/11

1. Number of active members in the region: 127 Plus/minus since last report +36 11
+35 10

2. Number of certifications completed since last region report 171

3. Issues arising from certifications (e.g., protests, rule deficiencies) None

4. NPCA training completed within the region Sgt started the training w/ Delaware State Police

5. New Certifying Official, Instructors, or Trainers approved in the region
- Venditto, Jason (CO) Instructor / Trainer
 - _____ (CO / Instructor / Trainer)
 - _____ (CO / Instructor / Trainer)
 - _____ (CO / Instructor / Trainer)
 - _____ (CO / Instructor / Trainer)

5. NPCA case of the quarter awards and/or nominations, or significant deployments _____

6. Canine-related lawsuits and/or legal issues _____

7. Officer relief fund requests, officer deaths, and/or LOD canine deaths S/SGT Sericeba died in September in the line of duty.

8. Crime trends related to K-9 (narcotic hides/compartments, etc.) _____

9. New Business _____



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REGION (CIRCLE ONE): NC/NE/NW/SC/SE/SW

REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVE NAME: Bill Delay DATE: 100511

1. Number of active members in the region: 108 Plus/minus since last report _____

2. Number of certifications completed since last region report 145

3. Issues arising from certifications (e.g., protests, rule deficiencies) None

4. NPCA training completed within the region Seminar in Jackson, WY, involve large amounts of Explosives. Seminar/certifications in Grand Junction, CO

5. New Certifying Official, Instructors, or Trainers approved in the region

- Phil Street (CO / Instructor / Trainer)
- Brian Fraser (CO) Instructor / Trainer
- _____ (CO / Instructor / Trainer)
- _____ (CO / Instructor / Trainer)
- _____ (CO / Instructor / Trainer)

5. NPCA case of the quarter awards and/or nominations, or significant deployments 3 since 4th quarter 2010 (Quarterly Awards)

6. Canine-related lawsuits and/or legal issues None

7. Officer relief fund requests, officer deaths, and/or LOD canine deaths None

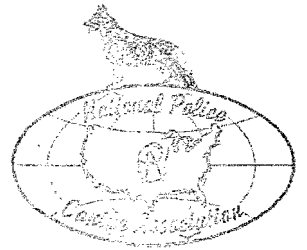
8. Crime trends related to K-9 (narcotic hides/compartments, etc.) none. more activity/arrests involving cartel members from the southern border

9. New Business _____



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REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

REGION (CIRCLE ONE): NC/NE/NW/SC/SE/SW

REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVE NAME: DANNY VALDEZ DATE: 10-9-11

1. Number of active members in the region: 303 Plus/minus since last report _____

2. Number of certifications completed since last region report 339 CERTS

3. Issues arising from certifications (e.g., protests, rule deficiencies) _____

4. NPCA training completed within the region NATIONAL SEMINAR

5. New Certifying Official, Instructors, or Trainers approved in the region

- WARREN WALLS (CO) Instructor / Trainer)
- DANNY BOUZIDEN PENDING (CO / Instructor / Trainer)
- LUCAS WADE BEARD PENDING (CO / Instructor / Trainer)
- GILBERT HERNANDEZ PENDING (CO / Instructor / Trainer)
- _____ (CO / Instructor / Trainer)

5. NPCA case of the quarter awards and/or nominations, or significant deployments 1ST QUARTER - DETECTION BILLY COLEY, SEAN CURSAIN, PATROL - CRAIG MICKEL, 2ND QUARTER - DETECTION BRENT WARDEN

6. Canine-related lawsuits and/or legal issues GRETNA, LA

7. Officer relief fund requests, officer deaths, and/or LOD canine deaths _____

8. Crime trends related to K-9 (narcotic hides/compartments, etc.) _____

9. New Business _____



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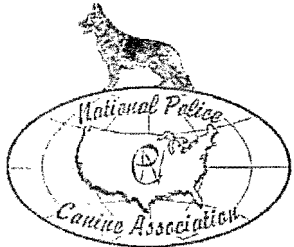


REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

REGION (CIRCLE ONE): NC/NE/NW/SC/SE/SW

REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVE NAME: FRED JANKE DATE: OCT. 8, 2011

1. Number of active members in the region: 185 Plus/minus since last report +15
2. Number of certifications completed since last region report 154
3. Issues arising from certifications (e.g., protests, rule deficiencies) NONE
4. NPCA training completed within the region CERTIFICATIONS AND C.O. CLASSES
5. New Certifying Official, Instructors, or Trainers approved in the region
 - Brown, Darrell PD-202 (CO / Instructor / Trainer)
 - Hoskins, J. D. PD-204 (CO / Instructor / Trainer)
 - Yoder, Matthew PD-206 (CO / Instructor / Trainer)
 - Dunn, Keith PD-215 (CO / Instructor / Trainer)
 - _____ (CO / Instructor / Trainer)
5. NPCA case of the quarter awards and/or nominations, or significant deployments Glenn Thompson, Fort Myers Police Department
6. Canine-related lawsuits and/or legal issues _____
7. Officer relief fund requests, officer deaths, and/or LOD canine deaths NONE
8. Crime trends related to K-9 (narcotic hides/compartments, etc.) NONE
9. New Business Expanding Membership in Charlotte, NC, Durham, NC, South Georgia and Jacksonville, FL.



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REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

REGION (CIRCLE ONE): NC/NE/NW/SC/SE/SW

REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVE NAME: LUKASON DATE: 10-9-2011

1. Number of active members in the region: 299 Plus/minus since last report _____

2. Number of certifications completed since last region report _____

3. Issues arising from certifications (e.g., protests, rule deficiencies) N/A

4. NPCA training completed within the region Concealers
74 Human CERTS.

5. New Certifying Official, Instructors, or Trainers approved in the region

- _____ (CO / Instructor / Trainer)
- _____ (CO / Instructor / Trainer)
- _____ (CO / Instructor / Trainer)
- _____ (CO / Instructor / Trainer)
- _____ (CO / Instructor / Trainer)

5. NPCA case of the quarter awards and/or nominations, or significant deployments _____

6. Canine-related lawsuits and/or legal issues N/A / Force Control was made (APPROVED)

7. Officer relief fund requests, officer deaths, and/or LOD canine deaths Heart related only

8. Crime trends related to K-9 (narcotic hides/compartments, etc.) Manifolds making Come Back

9. New Business Currency / Fine arms



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REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

REGION (CIRCLE ONE): NC/NE/NW/SC/SE/SW

REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVE NAME: ERIC SCHMITZ DATE: 10/07/2011

1. Number of active members in the region: 67 Plus/minus since last report _____.
2. Number of certifications completed since last region report 74.
3. Issues arising from certifications (e.g., protests, rule deficiencies) _____

4. NPCA training completed within the region _____

5. New Certifying Official, Instructors, or Trainers approved in the region
6. NPCA case of the quarter awards and/or nominations, or significant deployments: 4th Quarter 2010 -- Patrol Plaque (Scott Nelson, Kansas City, MO); Certificate (Ryan Sumner, Lenexa, KS); Narcotics Plaque (Brian Hale, Hazelwood, MO); Certificate (Antonio Garcia, Kansas City, MO); 1st Quarter 2011 -- Narcotics Plaque (Brian Hale, Hazelwood, MO); Certificate (Mark Wilcox, Kansas City, KS); 2nd Quarter 2011 -- Narcotics Plaque (Tom Taylor, Hawley, MN); Certificate (Luke Pruitt, Kansas City, KS)
7. Canine-related lawsuits and/or legal issues _____

8. Officer relief fund requests, officer deaths, and/or LOD canine deaths: Officer Jeff Taylor, Riverside, MO. Officer Taylor was a member of the NPCA for several years, with his last active year being 2010. In May 2011 a F5 tornado devastated the city of Joplin, MO. Officer Taylor was one of many officers from around the state that responded to assist with the recovery effort. While on duty in Joplin, Officer Taylor was struck by lightning. Officer Taylor fought for his life for a week and a half, but succumbed to his injuries on June 3rd, 2011. Jeff was married and had two young children.
8. Crime trends related to K-9 (narcotic hides/compartments, etc.) _____
9. New Business _____