

THE FEDERATION OF EUROPEAN IRISH WOLFHOUND CLUBS

MINUTES OF MEETING - EIWC RULING COUNCIL

Date : 9th June 2000
Place : Lillehammer, Norway

Present : All EIWC Board Members; President Miss E. Murphy, Chairman Mr. W. Hasselbrink, Vice-Chairman Mr. A. Killykeen Doyle, Treasurer Mr. J. Briggs, Secretary Mr. G. McCabe, Observer Mr. Frans de Ridder, Belgium.
Delegates from: Denmark, England, Finland, France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Northern Ireland, Norway, Russia, Sweden.

1. President's Report

Mrs. E. Murphy, welcomed all to the EIWC weekend. She was pleased to see how the Federation had come a long way over the last few years. A brief summary of her talk:

- The importance that we should all work closer together, sharing research info, health reports, etc.
- The breed the Irish Wolfhound is in its 4th millennium.
- What is needed most in the breed today is better judging to the standard.
- We must not forget health. All breeders must work towards good health in their hounds.
- Fertility is also important. It will be the subject of the Congress in year 2002 in Belgium.

2. Minutes of Meeting from the Ruling Council, Luxembourg, 1998

No comments from the floor. MOM approved by the Ruling Council.

3. Chairman's Report

Mr. W. Hasselbrink has been an EIWC Board Member for six years. He started off by thanking all on the Board for all work done preparing for this year's Congress.

A brief summary of his talk:

- All delegates must be better to give feedback to the EIWC Secretary.
- We meet only every 2 years and in between this time Board Members and delegates must be better keeping in touch with each other.
- All delegates should see to that info regarding health reports, survey on the breed, etc. should be made public and shared among the EIWC countries.

As a response to the suggestion on better communication among delegates, this suggestion came from the floor: The Board should make an e-mail address list of all delegates and a discussion line/home page. By this it will be easier to keep in touch with each other.

The Chairman welcomed the suggestion and will see that it is put into action.

Question from the floor: The list of Point of Merits – what are they /what are their purpose ?

Answer: It is a guideline to the breed standard.

4. Treasurer's Report

Mr. J. Briggs gave his report on the financial status of the EIWC and the delegates thanked him for a job well done. There was a vote for setting the EIWC membership fee to ½ Euro per person from 01.01.2001. All delegates voted in favour, and Mr. Briggs thanked for their cooperation. The Treasurer had to remind the Clubs of Article 10 of the Articles of Association.

5. Application for New Memberships

- Russian National Irish Wolfhound Club was accepted as new member.
- Austria. The Austrian Club got a no this time as they do not fulfil all requirements of the Article of the Association. For the time being they are, however, welcome to attend the Congress as observers.

6. Congress/Show 2002

The next Congress of the EIWC will be held in Gent, Belgium, 9 – 12 May 2002. This will be an indoor event. Mr. Frans de Ridder informed us of their plans.

7. Congress/Show 2004

France is willing to take on the 2004 Congress/Show. Approved by the Ruling Council.

8. Changes to the Article of Association

The Chairman gave a brief introduction to why certain points in the Article of Association should be changed. He went through each paragraph with the delegates and adjustments were made accordingly. The revised Articles of Association will be printed and distributed to all delegates.

There was a vote regarding Article 23.3, which quote 'The members of the Management Committee shall be elected for a period of 2 years and may be re-elected thereafter'. There was a majority vote for changing '2 years' till '4 years'.

9. Election of New Board Members

- President : Miss Elisabeth Murphy.
The President of the Irish Wolfhound Club of Ireland is always the President of the EIWC.
- Chairman : Mr. Gerard McCabe, **new**.
Elected for a period of 4 years.
- Vice-Chairman : Mr. Anthony Killykeen Doyle.
Re-elected for a period of 4 years.
- Treasurer : Mr. John Briggs.
Re-elected for a period of 2 years.
- Secretary : Mr. Frans de Ridder, Belgium, **new**.
Elected for a period of 2 years.
- Board Members : Mr. John Wauben, the Netherlands, **new**.
Mrs. Monette Daubenfeld, Luxembourg, **new**.
Mrs. Denyse Maurer, France, **new**.
All elected for a period of 4 years.

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Gerard McCabe
Secretary