



Rochegude, 10 October 2006

# MINUTES FO THE MEETING OF THE BOARD (MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE) 2<sup>nd</sup> of SEPTEMBER 2006 at 9 a.m. at the Grand Hotel Mercure, Le Touquet

<u>Are present</u>: Elizabeth C. Murphy, Pernille Monberg, Monette Daubenfeld, Denyse Maurer, Marcello Poli and Julie Hübner.

Jo Hoffmann resigned from his duties within IERDIE and a new delegate has been appointed.

John Kelly was not allowed to travel by plane yet, following surgery.

The President welcomed the members of the board.

## 1. Financial status

The treasurer, Marcello Poli states that the financial situation is sound and that all the national clubs have paid their annual fees.

He proposes to the Board that a maximum amount for expenses paid back to the clubs organising the Congress should be decided upon and suggests to fix a limit of 2500 €.

The following discussion comes to the conclusion that it is not so much the amount itself but more the percentage of the credit on the account that matters. In fact, the sum allowed should depend on the money available which may fluctuate over the years. It was therefore agreed that one third of the total budget of EIWC should be a reasonable proposal, this means that for the 2006 and the 2008 Congress, 2500€ would be a bearable amount.

(As a reminder: EIWC pays for the expenses involved with the Congress, whereas the hosting country finances the show and the judges).

#### 2. Membership fees

As pointed out previously, the financial situation being satisfactory, no increase in membership fees is necessary. It remains at 0,50€ per member of the national clubs (members with IWHs only in the case of a sighthound club). Fees should be paid before March 31 of the current year.



### 3. Changes regarding Membership

Whereas we are glad to welcome Finland back, the Board received a letter from the IWH club of Switzerland, stating that they intended to terminate their membership with the Federation per 31 December 2005. No reason was set forth.

In the meantime, Austria and Hungary were contacted in view of a possible membership in the future.

## 4. EIWC Congress for 2008

The Board received assurance from the Slovenian delegate, Davor Marijanovic, that his club will make concrete proposals to the Ruling Council for the organisation of the Congress and Show in 2008.

# 5. Topics for the 2008 Congress

The Board is also waiting for the proposals about possible topics for 2008.

#### 6. EIWC Congress for 2010

The Board received a letter dated 19 June from Leandro Leandri, President of the Italian Sighthound Club (Club del Levriero) proposing to organise the event in the North of Italy, provided that the Board – for which there are elections in 2009 – remains stable.

#### 7. IW WORLD Magazine

The Chairman, Pernille Monberg says she is glad the second issue of the mag is out and that Carolyn Dean, the editor brought over copies to display and sell at the show – in fact she had some 40 kilos surplus weight when flying from the States! The members of the Board all stress the importance of having this important tool and should like to pay a tribute to Carolyn and her collaborators.

#### 8. Proposal for an IW Database

The Board wants to thank the initiators of this project and is looking forward to the presentation to the Ruling Council by Uli Habel and Melitta Kuhless.

#### 9. Elections of Board Members

The Board having performed satisfactorily during the last two years, it feels that it would be beneficial for EIWC that Monette, Denyse and Marcello continue their job if nobody else stands up for election. Jo Hoffmann, who also was appointed in 2002, has resigned from his duties within IERDIE, and the Dutch club has appointed

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a new delegate, Jon Jansen, the actual chairman. A seat becomes therefore vacant, and, as it used to be the case previously, the delegate from the organising country of the next congress should be elected into the Board in order to facilitate the cooperation with EIWC. This means that Davor Marijanovic will be proposed for election to the Board.

#### 10. Miscellaneous

Pernille Monberg asked whether it would be a good idea that the Federation might promote the reprinting of books out of print – actually she has in mind Lois Thomasson's book – which otherwise would be too difficult to realise. The Board agrees that action in favor of such initiatives could be taken.

The Board received a letter from Els Swelheim and Irmgaard de Haan dated 27 July 2006 and therefore too late to be put as an official item on the Agenda. The first item highlights a disagreement between the interpretation concerning the HD test results by the German DWZRV and foreign breeders. The Board considers that the matter does not fall withing the competence of EIWC and the German delegate, Julie Hübner, suggests that she will take contact with the authors of the complaint in order to settle the matter.

The second item is about size and the character of the Irish Wolfhounds today. The authors are concerned about lack or loss of size, and the increase of shy hounds in the show ring. These items might be considered for a future congress.

The President thanked the members of the Board for their efficient collaboration during the past two years, and closes the meeting.

End of the meeting: 9.55 a.m.

Denyse Maurer Secretary

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