Minutes of National Cocker Spaniel Council (Australia) meeting held on Sunday 01 May, 2011 in Adelaide.

Meeting opened 12.31pm

PRESENT:	Judith Balfour	President
	Lyn Mellett	Secretary
	Tina Matthews	Cocker Spaniel Cob of SA
	Margaret Brodie	Cocker Spaniel Club of Qld
	Merryn Bellamy	Cocker Spaniel Club of Vic
	Rosemary Kemp	Cocker Spaniel Society of NSW

APOLOGIES: Cocker Spaniel Club of ACT

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

Moved M Brodie, seconded T Matthews that minutes of previous meeting were accepted as circulated. Carried.

AUDITORS REPORT.

Moved M Brodie, Seconded R Kemp that Auditors Report be accepted and that the ANKC affiliation fee be approved for payment. Carried.

Appointment of Auditor to be undertaken by new secretary, in the same area and at an acceptable cost.

ELECTION OF PRESIDENT and SECRETARY:

Queensland had declined to nominate a President. ACT have declined to nominate a Secretary

As no nominations were received the President called for nominations from the floor: Margaret Brodie was nominated for the position of President by Rosemary Kemp and Seconded by Tina Matthews.

Merryn Bellamy was nominated for the National Secretary by Margaret Brodie. Seconded by Rosemary Kemp.

Both were elected unopposed with their term to commence from 02 May, 2011.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Agenda Items from Cocker Spaniel Society of NSW

1. That we have a National Standard for all States hosting the National.

Vote of 1 for 3 against – it was stated that the Rules of the National give guidelines but it is up to each club to plan and run their own.

2. That we have a budget for running the National.

Vote of 1 for 3 against – each Club will do the best they can with the funds they have available.

3. & 4. That we have a standard for the ribbons/trophies presented at our Nationals Vote of 1 for 3 against

5. That smaller clubs should be able to request financial assistance when hosting the National. Vote of 1 for 3 against – clubs already ask for financial assistance.

National Rules:

As various clubs seem unsure of what the National Rules are, Rosemary Kemp has offered to go back through previous minutes and will forward copy to the Secretary for distribution. Thank you Rosemary

<u>From Cocker Spaniel Club of Qld – Re A list Judges in year of National.</u> Queensland sought written clarification as to the ruling of the NCSCA in relation to using A List Judges in the year of a National. It was confirmed that there is a Council Ruling that Clubs can not pay for the airfares of an A List Judge in a National year. i.e if they are in Australia on holiday they may be used but not brought out expressly for the purpose of Judging in a National Year.

From Cocker Spaniel Club of Qld – Request that details of Judges and the Month of the year for a National be published at least 12 months in advance. This was discussed and decided that the majority of the time in the past this had been complied with. It was agreed that if the details of the Judge are not available the date should be available to enable members to plan ahead (this is also necessary to allow the ANKC to approve National Show status). Although ACT should have been at this meeting to provide details of their 2012 show, ACT to be requested to release information upon receipt of these minutes.

Meeting closed 1.12pm.

Next meeting to be held at the 2012 National in Canberra, date to be advised.