

October 13, 2011
Staffordshire Terrier Club of America General Membership Meeting
Minutes

Location: Rumor Hotel, Las Vegas, NV

Members Present: The Recording Secretary had all STCA members in good standing sign in. Fifty members in good standing were present. The Recording Secretary determined a quorum was present.

President Jamie Nuckles called the meeting to order at 05:43 pm PDT

Board Members Present: Monica Davi, Frances Conner, John Lottinville, Jaime Nuckles, Jerry Santaniello, Judy Morris, Ed Thomason, Lydia Castagna, Carrie Lee

Board Members Absent: None

Reading of the Minutes - The draft minutes of the 2010 STCA General Membership Meeting were available at sign in and were also posted on the STCA website for review. A motion was made, seconded and passed to skip the reading of the minutes.

Presidents Report – Jaime Nuckles welcomed the membership and thanked them for their attendance.

Secretarial report for 10-13-2011 general membership meeting - Monica Davi announced the election results for the Board of Directors: John Lottinville, Frances Conner, Brian Frasche and Judy Malone were elected to the board. A motion was made, seconded and passed to accept the secretary's report.

Treasurer's report – As per the August statement:

Beginning Balance	\$45,979.01
Deposits	\$3,362.00
Checks Cashed	\$4,032.89
Ending Balance	\$45,008.12

A motion was made, seconded and passed to accept the treasurer's report.

Committee reports

AKC delegate's report – Holly Stump requested that anyone who wants the report via e-mail to sign up for it. The full reports are published in the quarterly.

Highlights from the September AKC Delegate's Meeting:

- Reserve Best in Show passed.
- Group alignment is moving forward. There will be 11 groups.
- The new judge's approval report is out with 21 days to provide feedback. Visit the AKC website for more details.
- The Breeder of Merit program has been fairly successful.
- The parent club flyer is done.

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Legislative – Holly named her committee members: Judy Stockdale and Karen Herrold. Letters were sent to Texas and American Airlines. An official breed specific legislation position statement was approved and is available for downloading. Helpful hints pdf files are also available for local legislation. Help is always welcomed for position papers.

Rescue – Jerry Santaniello and the committee divided the country into 10 zones, 7 zones have a committee member in charge. The committee rescued 2 registered pups from a kill shelter in Ohio. Another dog was rescued in Florida and is back with the breeder. The Rescue committee is on Facebook and all information is posted.

Health – Faith Beiser announced that Sandy Underwood has been working on a 24 square commemorative quilt. Sandy brought a sample for viewing. Silent bids are being accepted.

The Health committee's current grant is "Understanding Mechanisms of Canine Auto-Immune and Inflammatory Disorders". The grant is still in progress. A cardiac project is being considered. There is \$11,373 in the Canine Health Foundation account.

A clinic is set up for blood drawing, semen collection and ataxia testing.

Judge's Education – No report

Breeder's Education – Richard Gray reported that 35 people attended the breeder's education forum. The forum was slow to start, but things warmed up and the forum was a success. Another forum is planned for the next day.

Website – No Report

Futurity – Jaime Nuckles gave the Futurity report. The second futurity was held today. It is growing quickly. \$775 was collected, 70% is paid out, which came to \$542.50. The winner was "Alpine's Catch Me If You Can" and best of opposite sex was "Alpine's Blueberry Sundae".

75th Anniversary – Sara Nugent wanted to put together a breed history for the 75 anniversary show. Sadly people have not followed through with their historical items. Pictures of historical dogs, National Specialty winners and letters describing the breed are being requested. Originals are not required, scans, etc are fine.

Editorial – Ed Thomason thanked his committee members: Betty Michl, Marissa DuBrock and Nancy Hjelmstad. The 3rd quarter magazine should have arrived. Ed solicited input from the membership regarding content for the quarterly. Several good ideas were received and noted. Magazine costs were also discussed with the membership.

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Show Committee – Frances Conner thanked the membership for their attendance and help setting things up.

Jerry Santaniello announced that the show was being recorded on video, including interviews with Richard Gray, Richard Pascoe and Sara's judge's education presentation.

Election of New Members

Heidi Burton – single – approved
Rebecca Harris – single – approved
Stacy Long and Mathew Crow – family – approved
Joyce and Lou Martin – family - approved
Jason Mesa – single – approved
Dan Nechemias and Lois Claus – family – approved
Heather and Harvey Silas - family – approved
Jose Martinez – single – approved
Charlie Villa – single – approved
Lorene Wilson – single – declined

Unfinished Business – Kelly McCabe discussed the importation of American Staffordshire Terriers into Jamaica. Kelly warned the membership of the dangers of shipping dogs to Jamaica and asked that breeders do their research before selling dogs to Jamaica.

Next Meeting – October 2012.

Meeting adjourned 06:38 pm PDT

Respectfully submitted,

John Lottinville
Recording Secretary