

January 31, 2014
Staffordshire Terrier Club of America Board Meeting Minutes
Final Approved

January 24, 2014 Board meeting was moved to January 31, 2014.

Conference Call

Members Present:

Frances Conner, Brenda Martz, Tom Rapinchuk, Lydia Castagna, Judy Morris, Al Bincarousky, Jeff Morrison

Members Absent:

John Lottinville, Chuck Nelson

The meeting was called to order at 7:54 p.m. CST

Reading of the Minutes:

Minutes for the December 13, 2013 meeting were approved with corrections.

Presidents Report:

Changing the venue, date, and location, of the 2014 National and Regional specialty shows resulted in quite a few responses. Reasons for the changes were communicated to all parties and most if not all understood were in concurrence. A blurb was put onto the website for all to see. Membership dues are due and don't forget to try and get new members.

Corresponding Secretary's Report:

Approved with changes

INCOMING COMMUNICATION RECEIVED December 2013 thru January 24, 2014

12/17/13 Letter from AKC Sweepstakes Approval Staffordshire Terrier Club of America - 2014011526 being held on 04/18/2014

12/17/13 Email received Horace Hobbs receipt of cancellation letter from Clarion Hotel Sacramento

12/17/13 Email from Michelle Barlak in regards to hosting Regional's and Nationals at Purina Farms

12/18/13 Letter from AKC Sweepstakes Approval Staffordshire Terrier Club of America Sweepstakes Approval Notice for the Staffordshire Terrier Club of America - 2014011525 being held on 03/12/2014

Letter from AKC Sweepstakes Approval Staffordshire Terrier Club of America Sweepstakes Approval Notice for the Staffordshire Terrier Club of America - 2014011524 being held on 03/12/2014

Letter from AKC Sweepstakes Approval Staffordshire Terrier Club of America Event Approval Notice for the Staffordshire Terrier Club of America - 2014011524 being held on 03/12/2014

Letter from AKC Sweepstakes Approval Staffordshire Terrier Club of America Event Approval Notice for the Staffordshire Terrier Club of America - 2014011525 being held on 03/12/2014

12/19/13 Diane White in regards to rejoining the STCA

12/26/13 Email from Daniel Loureiro international magazine subscription

Email from Kelly Jackson did not receive renewal and supplied new address

- 12/27/13 Email from Denise Wedel on reimbursement for shipping of items to Conroe Texas Performance.
- 12/28/13 Email from Fred Javer requesting contact information Dr., Eva Lydeck
- 1/2/14 Email from Rob Garrett in regards to AKC Stud Book PDF file attached Stud Book Register
- 1/3/14 Email from Clarion Hotel Conference Center Louisville Kentucky
- 1/6/14 Email from American Staffordshire Terrier Club of Netherland requesting a closer collaboration, Would be good to start with these 3 areas and include representatives from both clubs, and possibly share status, focal point/programs, and possibly publications
- 1/9/14 Notification from AKC Michael Liosis, Director of Club Relations 2014 Member Club Dues Notice
- 1/10/14 Email from forwarded on **Washington State: House Committee to Consider Prohibiting BSL**. On Tuesday, January 16th the Washington State House Judiciary Committee is scheduled to consider [House Bill 2117](#), which would amend the state's dangerous dog law and prohibit local governments from banning possession of a particular breed or declaring a specific breed of dog to be dangerous or potentially dangerous
- 1/14/14 AKC's Government Relations Department second AKC Legislative Conference on January 25-26, 2014 in Raleigh, NC. Attendance is limited and by invitation only.
- 1/14/14 CC'ed on email from Carmen Breglia in regards to Northern California Club matters also on the email was AKC Club Relations Director Michael Liosis
- 1/15/14 CC'ed on email from Kathy Gotschall in regards to Northern California Club matters also on the email was AKC Club Relations Director Michael Liosis
- 1/15/14 Email from editor of the STCA magazine also on email Al Bincarousky

OUTGOING COMMUNICATION

All emails listed above were responded to providing information they had requested

- 1/6/14 Email sent to Cathy Protho in regards to the Foreign Relations Committee
- Contact information provided on current emails from Foreign Clubs
- Foreign Relations Committee will be working on a Mission statement

The Clarion hotel in California gave no refund of our deposit.

Treasurer's Report:

Approved

Dec. 2013

Beginning	46267.
Balance	23

Deposits/Credits	2596.2
	9

Checks Cleared: 4294.6
6

Cash
Withdrawals 0

Ending Balance: 44568.
86

**Cleared
Checks:**

Check #2694	2500.0 0	AKC	Canine Health Foundation Donation - Health Committee
Check #2684	594.00	ATTS	National Specialty - Temperament Test Fees
Check #2689	314.71	Lucia Corace	Replaces Ck #2689 - Stolen
Check #2690	243.95	Frances Conner	Eukanuba - PR Postage, Corres. Secty Postage
Check #2691	122.00	Store More- Forney	Archive Storage - Invoice 5692 - 1/1 - 1/31/14
Check #2692	475.00	Lydia Castagna	2013 National Specialty Judges Expenses
Check #2695	45.00	Kelly Townsend	Refund of ATTS Fees Not Used
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**Outstanding
Checks**

Check #2636	35.72	Marla Zarnow	Reimburse Moonlight World Challenge - Not Eligible
Check #2672	500.00	Purina Farms	Deposit - March 15 & 16, 2014 Agility Event
	1000.0		
Check #2676	0	TGCASTC	BQ Reservs Paid To STCA
Check #2688	77.99	Rau Dog Shows	Futurity Ribbons - 2013
		Purina Event Center	
Check #2693	500.00		Deposit - National/Regional Specialty 2014

Check #2696	271.09	Denise Wedel	Performance Expenses - MACH Plaques, Shipping, Supplies for Certificates
Check #2697	122.00	Store More- Forney	Invoice #0807 - 2/1 - 2/28/14
Check #2698	25.00	AKC	2014 Club Dues
Check #2699	200.00	Postmaster	Bulk Permit Fee #683
Check #2700	400.00	Postmaster	Bulk Mail Postage Deposit

3131.8
0

Legislative 873.20

7138.7

Rescue 2

4700.9

Health 3

2030.6

General Fund 7

History -91.00

General Trophy
Fund 1230.4
9

5859.4

Performance 2

1072.0

Public Relations 5

Futurity 2013 453.34

Committee
Funds 23267.
82

21301.

Club Funds 04

44568.
86

Contact with people for misplaced checks has been confirmed they will replace checks
Foy Trent reimbursed \$200.00.
Membership dues are being worked on.
Taxes are coming up.

Committee Reports:

Health Committee - Faith Beiser Chairperson:

Two grants were given to CHF (Canine Health foundation) for \$2,500 each. Grant 1994 is for mitral valve studies and grant 1828 is for hip dysplasia studies. We still have a balance after these grants of over \$13,000 left.
A copy of the research support agreement was forwarded to be put onto the website.
Website alterations were discussed .
Monica Davi was added to the committee

Public Relations - Pam Nemecek Chairperson

Renee Kay is now on the committee. Betty Michl and Monica Davi will be contacted to be on the committee.
She thanked Francis Connor for the materials.
Peggy Doster, Renee Kay and Karen Herrold did meet the breeds in their respective areas with good success.
The naughty and nice competition at Christmas was a success and calendars were given to all.
Upcoming events are the Mardi Gras parade in Galveston, Tx. and the Seattle Classic.
Calendars are now only \$7.00.
Ed Thomason has still not sent the club materials. A new email was sent to request these items from him.
All events are on facebook – no account is needed to view them.
We can use the support throughout the US from anyone interested

Archives Committee - Richard Gray Chairperson

Committee actively seeking alternatives for storage to reduce costs.

Judge's Education/Mentor - Sara Nugent Chairperson:

No requests for seminars came in. She may try a seminar at the National again in 2014.
Sara Nugent suggested that the club should try a hands on show and tell type of function for exhibitors at the national.
Lydia Castagna will try to work it out.

Moonlight World Challenge - Carrie Huddleston Chairperson:

The Challenge will be held in the ballroom at the hotel. She will decorate it.
Two judges have been confirmed and the third is being worked on.
The website is being updated.
The event will be held on Wednesday night at 8pm. CST.
Bigger rosettes will be ordered in conjunction with Lydia Castagna
Sue Grey sent some trophies and more will be ordered by Carrie Huddleston.
Obedience trophies are being done with Sonia Bincarousky.

Editorial/Magazine - Al Bincarousky Chairperson:

The printing of the magazine was done violating the club's new policy. He will rewrite all parties with our new policy.
He is working on getting a committee of people to do the job. The responses of the editorial committee for the last magazine were less than desired.

Futurity - Brenda Martz Chairperson:

Jaime Knuckles has still not responded back from numerous correspondence sent to her. This is a concern.
2 litters are confirmed nominated so far for 2014. We don't know if others are nominated or not.
The outline for futurity has not been received from Jaime Knuckles yet. The plan is to review and edit for readability.
Website updates were discussed.

Website – Francis Conner Chairperson:

Updates are being made as information is provided
Reminders will go out to committee chairs on providing new information for the site

Judges Selection – Tom Rapinchuk Chairperson:

Due to the change of date, location, and venue of the 2014 National and Regional shows all judges were contacted again from the official list to get a new commitment for the shows.

2014 National judges synopsis:

Ann Katona could not fit our show into her schedule.

David Merriam explained he no longer Judges AKC show in the USA.

Raymond Bay resigned in June 2013.

Jay Richardson said yes he will Judge our National.

David Del Rio said he will judge our regional show.

Judges for the 2015 National and Regional shows will be contacted in order from the official list as soon as the location and dates are decided.

Work will begin for the ballots for 2016, 2017, and 2018. Francis Connor volunteered to help.

Awards:

No Report

Rescue:

Susan Watermann has not responded to continuing as Chairperson. Board is actively searching for a replacement.

Yearbook:

No Report

Standing Rules: Monica Davi Chairperson:

No Report

Legislation – Holly Stump Chairperson:

Discussion was held on the new Aphis rulings which she says is not a law.

Inquiries about a possible conflict of interest with NAIA were discussed.

She expressed a desire to resign because she doesn't devote enough time to this committee's endeavors.

Delegate – Holly Stump:

The AKC Board of Directors elections are coming up in March. Her recommendations were given.

Performance :

Sonia Bincarousky will accept to be the Chairperson if the club sends her an official letter.

Judges for this year's National are being worked on with Lydia Castagna.

A letter was sent to Lucia Corace regarding equipment and performance items, which should be returned to the club.

Lucia Corace took down the facebook page. She need to put it back up and forward the username and password to the club. Al Bincarousky will contact her. She still has not responded.

An event may be scheduled from our club at Purina farms in April of 2014. The club doesn't know the status of this event.

Cindy Lottinville and Susan Waterman may have information on this. If it is scheduled we need to do this

Sonia Bincarousky may propose a fundraiser by doing agility in South Carolina. A proposal may be sent to the board.

Old Business:

The Rescue Chairperson Susan Waterman will be replaced.

The paypal fee on the website has been fixed. The store is still a work in progress.

The performance website being brought down by Lucia Corace is a big concern along with all of the information and pictures. She needs to get it back up.

2015 and 2016 National Specialty:

Louisville Kentucky will be the site for the 2015 National Specialty on October 6 through 10, 2015.

Conroe Texas will be the location of the 2016 National Specialty dates to be determined.

Both clubs should ensure no conflicts with other big shows particularly with regards to shows outside of the USA.

2014 National Specialty:

Fees for entries, ads, and catalogs were discussed.

The superintendant for the show is being worked on.

Sweepstakes Judges are being sought. A list of eligible members needs to be developed.

The Schedule is being refined.

New Business:

John Lottinville after his Leave of Absence sent a letter of resignation.

Jeff Morrison motioned to accept the John Lottinville's letter of resignation, Judy Morris 2nd. Passed.

Tom Rapinchuk volunteered to replace John Lottinville as recording secretary.

Jeff Morrison motioned to accept Tom Rapinchuk as John Lottinville's replacement, Lydia Castagna 2nd. Passed

A new board member search will begin.

Jeff Morrison volunteered to become the Legislative Committee Chairperson.

Judy Morris motioned to accept Jeff Morrison as the Legislative Chairperson Lydia Castagna 2nd. Passed.

Election of Members: .

Carrie Huddleston changed her membership from single to family due to marriage. Husbands name is Jerry Huddleston. Approved.

New members application received from Diane White. Francis Connor motioned to accept the application. Tom Rapinchuk 2nd. Passed

Next meeting will be February 28, 2014 at 7:30 CST.

Jeff Morrison motioned to adjourn the meeting, Al Bincarousky 2nd. Passed

Meeting Adjourned at 12:07am CST

Respectfully submitted

Tom Rapinchuk

Corresponding Secretary - STCA, Inc.