

November 26, 2010
Staffordshire Terrier Club of America Board Meeting Minutes

Location: Conference call

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

Members Absent: None

The meeting was called to order at 07:42 PM CST

Reading of the Minutes

The minutes from the October 13, 2010 Board of Directors Meeting were approved with corrections by majority vote.

The minutes from the October 14, 2010 General Membership Meeting were tabled for further review.

The minutes from the October 15, 2010 Board of Directors Meeting were approved by majority vote.

SECRETARIAL REPORT FOR 11-26-10 BOARD MEETING

INCOMING COMMUNICATION RECEIVED OCTOBER 18, thru NOV. 24, 2010

- 10/18/10 Correspondence from Montgomery KC thanking STCA for support 2010 show
- 10/27/10 E-mail communication from Westminster KC re update breed narrative, photo, etc. for 2011
- 10/28/10 Correspondence from AKC enclosing Application for 2011 Obedience event #2011011505
- 11/1/10 Correspondence from AKC enclosing Application for 2011 Obedience event #2011011506
- 11/1/10 Correspondence from AKC enclosing Applications for 2011 Specialty events #2011011507 & 508
- 11/8/10 Correspondence from AKC enclosing Applications (2) for 2011 Rally events #2011011509 & 510
- 11/9/10 Correspondence from AKC requesting 2011 dues
- 11/10/10 Correspondence from AKC enclosing Applications (2) for 2011 Agility events #2011011511 & 512

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- 11/11/10 Solicitation via e-mail from Alexis Park All Suites Hotel in Vegas
- 11/16/10 Solicitation from Modern Litho-Print Company re Quote for magazine
- 11/17/10 Correspondence from AKC via e-mail with Club E-packet for Newsletter
- 11/22/10 Solicitation from RV Nuccio & Associates re Dog Club Insurance program

OUTGOING COMMUNICATION SENT OCT. 18, thru NOVEMBER 24, 2010

- 11/11/10 New Club Officer Information to AKC (via fax)
- 11/15/10 Correspondence to Editorial Committee re election of new chairman
- 11/24/10 Correspondence to former member L. Wilson demanding monies due STCA

Communication Discussion

Performance applications were sent to Denise for next year. Conformation applications were sent to Frances. AKC e-packets for the newsletter will be forwarded to Ed. Lorene's letter was sent both certified and regular mail. Montgomery Kennel Club letters will be referred to Jaime.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Aug-10

Beginning Balance	46364.69
Deposits	2950.00
Withdrawals	-3014.04
Ending Balance	46300.65

Cleared Checks

Check 2122	0.00	Void	
Check 2123	2000.00	Barbara Deakyne	2010 National Trophies
Check 2124	521.00	Sportsman	Events Policy
Check 2125	493.04	Insurance	
	3014.04	Monica Davi	Secretary Supplies
Outstanding Checks			
Check 2126	396.00	Friendly Self	9/1/10 to 12/31/10 Storage Archives
	396.00	Storage	

BSL Committee	1796.00
Rescue	4214.00
Heath	6088.86
Performance	499.79
Public Relations	235.00
Futurity 2010	385.00
Futurity 2011	50.00

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Committee Funds 13268.65
STCA Club Funds 33032.00

Total in Bank Acct 46300.65
Less OS Checks -396.00
Open Deposits 1910.00
Deposits to be Made 1307.00
Balance in Account 49121.65

Sep-10
Beginning Balance 46300.65
Deposits 4562.00
Withdrawals -2421.13

Ending Balance 48441.52

Cleared Checks

Check 2126	396.00	Friendly Self Storage	9/1/10 to 12/31/10 Storage Archives
Check 2127	100.00	Garrison's Accounting	
Check 2128	128.69	Carla Restivo	
Check 2131	110.00	Thomas Grande	Accountant Review of Books
Check 2133	1686.44	Minuteman Press	3 Qtr Magazine 2010
	2421.13		

Open Checks

Check 2129	171.00	Nancy Hjelmstad	Mailing Supplies for Magazine
Check 2130	500.00	Faith Beiser	Health Committee Fund Raiser Coney Island
Check 2132	81.96	Holly Stump	AKC Delegates Meeting Sept 2010
Check 2134	791.00	Debra Bacianga	2010 Performance Trophies
Check 2135	201.40	Walker Works	2010 Performance Trophies
	1745.36		

BSL Committee 1796.00
Rescue 4214.00
Heath 5588.86
Performance -492.61
Public Relations 235.00
Futurity 2010 385.00
Futurity 2011 50.00
Committee Funds 11776.25
STCA Club Funds 36665.27

Oct-10
Beginning Balance 48441.52
Deposits 13604.79
Withdrawals -
 16558.49

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Ending Balance	45487.82		
Open Checks			
Check 2129	171.00	Nancy Hjelmstad	Mailing Supplies for Magazine
Check 2139	0.00	Void	
Check 2150	331.00	Michele Kortbawi Wilk	Heath Committee Fund Raiser
Check 2156	15.75	Michele Kortbawi Wilk	Postage
Check 2157	22.78	ESRI	AKC Paperwork Regional & National 2010
Check 2159	1476.99	Texas Gulf Coast Club	2010 Regional Specialty
Check 2161	25.00	AKC	Club 115 2011 Dues
Check 2162	93.54	Monica Davi	Postage 2011 Renewals
	2136.06		
Cleared Checks			
Check 2130	500.00	Faith Beiser	Health Committee Fund Raiser Coney Island
Check 2132	81.96	Holly Stump	AKC Delegates Meeting Sept 2010
Check 2134	791.00	Debra Bacianga	2010 Performance Trophies
Check 2135	201.40	Walker Works	2010 Performance Trophies
Check 2136	792.00	Cash	Regional Sweeps Monies see Onofrio check 222884
Check 2137	816.00	Cash	National Sweeps Monies see Onofrio check 222767
Check 2138	200.00	Cash	Change for National Sales
Check 2139	0.00	Void	
Check 2140	145.00	Thomas Grande	Accountant Tabulating
Check 2141	5192.11	Minuteman Press	2005-2007 Yearbook
Check 2142	264.50	Debra Bacianga	2010 Performance Shipping
Check 2143	259.18	Alan R Arthur	2010 Agility Judge
Check 2144	371.00	Pat Gannon	2010 Obedience/Rally Judge
Check 2145	72.00	AKC	Agility Fee 2010
Check 2146	294.00	Jaime Bates	2010 Futurity Sweepstakes
Check 2147	425.00	Lynn Eggers	2010 Obedience/Rally Judge
Check 2148	49.00	AKC	2010 Performance Fees
Check 2149	35.00	AKC	2010 Performance Fees
Check 2151	553.00	Faith Beiser	Health Committee Fund Raiser Coney Island
Check 2152	1226.00	Triple Crown	2010 Regional & National Site Fees
Check 2153	1161.80	Sandra Goose Allen	2010 National Judge
Check 2154	1572.19	La Margarita Restaurant	2010 Banquet
Check 2155	669.35	Mike Sells	2010 National Lunches & Bar
Check 2158	396.00	Onofrio	Collections for Outstanding Entries
Check 2160	425.00	Frances Gray	Refund for 2005-2007 Yearbook Ads were not in Yearbook
Returned Check	66.00	NSF	
	16558.49		

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Total in Bank Acct	45487.82
Less OS Checks	-2136.06
Open Deposits	5792.13
Balance in Account	49143.89

BSL Committee	2489.00
Rescue	4630.00
Heath	6918.21
History	410.00
Performance	1770.39
Public Relations	235.00
Futurity 2010	91.00
Futurity 2011	50.00
Committee Funds	16593.60
STCA Club Funds	32550.29

Treasurer's Report Discussion

Various futurity checks were discussed.

The Regional and National Specialty's finances were discussed. Frances will make a spreadsheet with a tab for the Regional and a tab for the National Specialty, with income, expenses and "bottom line" calculated. The Treasurer's Report was accepted by majority vote.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Show – The host hotel has 6200 square feet of grassed area for the Specialty. The Alexis hotel also made an offer for the Specialty. The two hotels were discussed. Frances will visit the hotel as Show Chairman and confirm that the hotel is suitable for the Specialty. Performance was discussed. A local stained glass vendor will be referred to the Trophy Committee.

Performance – The Performance committee has been working closely with the Vander Lindens and their local club to host the performance events. A two day agility show has been planned for the weekend before the Specialty with the local club. The STCA license will have to be used to hold the show. It will be an all breed show with a supported American Staffordshire Terrier entry. The local agility club will provide workers (in addition to STCA members) and a trial secretary. The site is outdoors and popular with exhibitors. Profits will be split with the club. The entry will be approximately 200 runs. Obedience is planned at an indoor site all day Monday and Tuesday morning. Monday will be "All Terrier" obedience followed by Rally. Tuesday will be Am Staffs only obedience. Due to a rule change, one judge can be used for both days. The building will cost \$500 for Monday and Tuesday morning and obedience equipment is included. The performance dinner is planned for Monday night. Trophy costs should be minimal due leftover trophies from 2010. Denise will check with the AKC to be sure we can use the STCA license for the all breed agility show.

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AKC Delegate – There was not an AKC meeting in November, so there was nothing to report. A breed profile sheet is sent out with new registrations. The STCA does not have one. Holly will make one and the board will review it.

Legislative – Holly discussed what she would be able to undertake as Legislative Chairman. Federal or State legislative issues can be addressed by her and the committee. However, the local level would have to be handled by local members and not by the committee. Resizing the committee to a manageable size was discussed and the board agreed. A bulletin will be posted in the next quarterly advising that the Legislative committee is reforming. Moving back to a regional model was discussed.

Rescue – The country will be divided up geographically into the old legislative committee zones. One committee member in the zone will be a local contact person and identify rescues the STCA wants to be affiliated with. Differentiating pit bulls from American Staffordshire Terriers was discussed. Jerry is looking for ideas and committee members. To help people not give up their dogs, a “How to Own a Dog” for novice owners will be created for the rescue page. The \$300 donation to club members who rescue Am Staffs was revisited. Breeders who do not take their dogs back were also discussed.

Health – via e-mail.

The Health committee made a total profit of \$1,387.25 from health committee fundraising sales and the auction at the National Specialty. The health committee voted to put \$1,000 into the AKC Canine Health Foundation Am Staff donor advised fund. This contribution will bring the balance in the AKC/CHF account to \$9,965.48. Dr. Dodds has developed a new low cost saliva based test for food sensitivities and intolerance to soy, corn, wheat, beef, dairy, and eggs. The information, along with the health committee report, will be included in the next newsletter.

Editorial/Magazine – A new editorial committee has been formed. It consists of Ed Thomason, Betty Michl, Melissa Kreidler and Nancy Hjelmstad. A majority of the ads for the quarterly have been sold. The number of pages were discussed along with the cost for additional pages, extra pages were approved. Getting the quarterly out in a timely fashion was discussed; excellent progress has already been made. A motion was made and passed to charge \$25 extra for non member advertisements and commercial advertisements. All magazine materials should go to Ed rather than Nancy; this will be posted in the quarterly. The board will have five days to review the quarterly. Covers, highlights, etc of the quarterly for the website were discussed.

Public Relations – Monica contacted Tammy Price and she would like to think on it. An answer is expected within a week. In case she declines, board members will think on possible committee chairmen for the next meeting.

Website – The new webmaster has all the passwords and everything is being transferred to the new website to get it up and running. An update from Nick is expected in the next week or so.

Judges Mentoring – There is some interest, but no action. The criteria for Judges Mentoring will be published in the quarterly.

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Yearbook – Monica and Nancy will mentor Ed so that the little acorn will grow into a mighty oak.

Judge's Education – Sara Nugent is the new Judge's Education Chairman. The three committees: Judge's Education, Judges (Ringside?) Mentoring and Breeder's Education need to discuss and coordinate their materials so that everyone is on the same page.

Judges Selection – Sharon Martin-Biddle accepted the chairmanship. Jaime reported that Peter Green, the first choice for the 2011 Specialty, declined the assignment. The second choice judge needs to be contacted. Jaime will let Sharon know that she needs to get the next ballot to Monica.

Futurity – Ed Thomason was congratulated on his Futurity win. Next year should be even better.

Top 20 – Carrie and Lydia will keep it for another year. Discussion ensued as to holding the best Top 20 possible.

Unfinished Business

- **Texas Trophy** – Judy contacted the AKC. There is no longer a challenge trophy; it is now a "Three Time Win" trophy. She will send the information to Frances so the wording is correct for the premium. Making the trophy a "Members Only" trophy was discussed.

Election of New Members

- Norbert, Tibay – International - Approved
- Meina, Roberto – International - Approved
- Vandett, Darren – Single - Approved
- Jari, Spagna – International - Approved
- Dillon, Dawn – Single - Approved
- Park, Dawn – Single - Approved
- Brown, Genoa & Michael – Family - Approved
- Dolman, Nicholas – International - Approved
- Konczal, Teresa – Subscription - Approved
- Pesenti, Dayna – Single - Approved

New Business

- Making the National Specialty "Members Only" was discussed. The discussion will continue and be presented to the membership.
- A "Welcome to the Club" packet was discussed. Ed, Carrie and Lydia will work on it.
- Michelle Aguiard has a four day circuit show and would like the STCA to support the show. The board approved.
- Ed proposed awarding special plaques for the top conformation dog, bitch and performance dog at the Specialty Banquet. Many details were discussed among them: costs, members only, guidelines, etc. The idea was approved with a \$25 cost per plaque. Ed will take on the project.

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- The Westminster e-mail was discussed and a new picture and revised wording will be submitted to Westminster.
- John Lottinville will be “T Shirt” Chairman for the National Specialty.
- Jerry Santaniello will investigate and recommend a videographer for the National Specialty.
- Seventy-Fifth Anniversary Medallions for the National Specialty were discussed and a medallion maker will be located to make the medallions.

Next Meeting – January 21, 2010

Meeting adjourned at 11:23 PM CST.

Respectfully Submitted,

John Lottinville
Recording Secretary