

**August 10, 2012**  
**Staffordshire Terrier Club of America Board Meeting Minutes**

**Location:** Conference Call

**Members Present:** Frances Conner, Judy Morris, Brian Frasche, John Lottinville, Judy Morris, Jerry Santaniello, Lydia Castagna, Jaime Nuckles, Ed Thomason

**Members Absent:** Carrie Lee

**The meeting was called to order at 07:41 PM CDT**

**Reading of the Minutes** - The minutes from the July 13, 2012 Board of Directors Meeting were approved by majority vote.

**SECRETARIAL REPORT FOR 05-11-12 BOARD MEETING**

| <b>To</b>                    | <b>Date</b> | <b>Subject</b>                         |
|------------------------------|-------------|--|
| 243 members                  | 8/7/2012    | STCA BOD Ballots                       |
| <br><b>From</b>              |             |  |
| Canine Health Foundation     | 7/9/2012    | "Discoveries" Flyer                    |
| Stan Popovich                | 7/31/2012   | Helpful pet articles for their website |
| GSASTC                       | 7/26/2012   | 2014 GS REGIONAL/STCA NATIONAL         |
| schutzhundtrainers@gmail.com | 7/23/2012   | Link exchange for websites             |
| Carla Restivo                | 7/20/2012   | Rescue donations & Spindletop          |
| stump@neb.com                | 7/17/2012   | June Delegates report                  |
| Jose Martinez III            | 08/10/2012  | Judge's Selection                      |

**Correspondence Secretary's Report Discussion**

- The letter from Jose Martinez was discussed.
- The Show Chairs for 2013 and 2014 were discussed.
- The Corresponding Secretary's report was approved by majority vote.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

| June 2012                  |                    |                   |  |
|----------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|--|
| Beginning Balance          | <b>\$53,057.84</b> |                   |  |
| Deposits                   | <b>\$1,047.00</b>  |                   |  |
| Cleared Checks/Withdrawals | <b>\$1,362.26</b>  |                   |  |
| Ending Balance             | <b>\$52,742.58</b> |                   |  |
| <br>                       |                    |                   |  |
| Cleared Checks             |                    |                   |  |
| Check #2511                | <b>\$35.00</b>     | Joseph Chess      | Refund Member Dues                     |
| Check # 2512               | <b>\$10.00</b>     | Store-More Forney | Archive Storage - Addit'l Rent/Storage |
| Check #2513                | <b>\$241.86</b>    | Nancy Hjelmstad   | Reimburse Postage & Supplies           |
| Check #2514                | <b>\$175.40</b>    | John Lottinville  | Postage New Member Mailing             |
| Check #2515                | <b>\$400.00</b>    | Aiko Shinseki     | Web Master Services                    |
| Check #2516                | <b>\$500.00</b>    | Ed Sledzik        | 2011 Tax Preparation                   |
|                            | <b>\$1,362.26</b>  |                   |  |

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| <b>Outstanding Checks</b>  |                    |                                |  |
| Check #2517                | \$9.99             | Aiko Shinseki                  | Web Site Transfer Charges  |
| Check #2518                | \$100.00           | AKC                            | Rally - Nationals-Event #2012011515                                    |
| Check #2519                | \$131.96           | John Lottinville               | Nominating Committee Expenses<br>(Postage, Labels, Copying, Envelopes) |
| Check #2520                | \$214.00           | Store-More Forney              | Archive Storage  |
| Check #2521                | \$350.00           | USPS                           | Bulk Permit #683 - Funds On Account                                    |
|                            | \$805.95           |                                |  |
| BSL Committee              | \$1,710.52         |                                |  |
| Rescue                     | \$6,382.53         |                                |  |
| Health                     | \$6,284.88         |                                |  |
| General Fund               | \$105.00           |                                |  |
| History                    | \$410.00           |                                |  |
| General Trophy Fund        | \$280.00           |                                |  |
| Performance                | \$1,740.60         |                                |  |
| Public Relations           | \$255.00           |                                |  |
| Futurity 2010              | \$23.95            |                                |  |
| Futurity 2011              | \$680.00           |                                |  |
| Futurity 2012              | \$245.00           |                                |  |
| Committee Funds            | \$18,117.48        |                                |  |
| STCA Funds                 | \$34,625.10        |                                |  |
|                            | \$52,742.58        |                                |  |
| 08/10/2012                 | \$1,810.00         | Income - Performance           |  |
|                            | \$54,552.58        |                                |  |
| 08/10/2012                 | -\$551.67          | Performance Expenses           |  |
|                            | \$54,000.91        |                                |  |
|                            | -\$268.70          | Holly Stump - AKC Delegate Exp |  |
| <b>Balance YTD 8/10/12</b> | <b>\$53,732.20</b> |                                |  |

**Treasurer's Report Discussion**

- The bank statement has not been received. The check register was used instead.
- The price for auditing the club's books and the type of audit were discussed. The books will be audited for \$300.
- The health committee will choose the CHF donation
- The Treasurer's report was approved by majority vote.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Archive**

- Making digital copies of people's archive materials was discussed.
- Richard will ask the membership, via the website, to donate their Am Staff memorabilia to the club or to create a living will leaving their materials to the club. Club contact information will also be provided so that memorabilia will go to the club

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and not to an individual. A form letter was discussed to facilitate donations upon the death of the memorabilia's original owner.

### **AKC Delegate**

- The Florida "meet the breeds" will be handled by Brian.
- The New York "meet the breeds" immediately follows the National and is hard to attend. Jerry will take on PR and work to get some volunteers via Facebook.
- Point person for the "New Complete Dog" book will be discussed under new business.
- Holly nominated herself for the AKC Health Committee

### **Legislative**

- The deadline for the comment period for new USDAA Animal Welfare Retail Pet Store bill is August 15. The vote will take place next year.

### **Performance**

- The Board has a few more additions which will be added to the premium tonight.
- The premium is due September 19, 2012.
- Frances will discuss the 2013 location with Lucia offline.
- The chair for 2013, Sam Royall, was confirmed. The board will remind Sam that Lucia will have to deal with the KOA site regarding the room for obedience.
- Frances has someone looking for matting and gates. Lucia has also found matting, but is looking for less cost and less hassle. Quantities, dimensions and dates for matting were discussed; Frances will let her contact know.
- Corrections and updates to the website were discussed. The website should be updated over the weekend and into next week.
- Ads for the magazine are done and will be sent to Nancy.
- The demo for the Moonlight International was discussed.
- Charges for late running events were discussed.
- The banquet will be held offsite at The Park Place. The club's projector will be found and brought to the banquet for awards, presentations, etc.
- Lydia will handle RV reservations.
- The banquet presentation was discussed.

### **Show**

- Waiting to hear back from the fairgrounds contact.
- The premium is almost done and ready to go.
- The National will be dedicated to Karyn Dawes.
- The premium will go out electronically.

### **Rescue**

- The Spindletop mess was discussed. No registered/documented Am Staffs have been identified.
- Jerry would like to stay on as a co-chair. Susan Waterman was nominated by Jerry to be his co-chair. A motion was made and approved for Susan to be the co-chair.

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**Futurity**

- Currently almost ready for the show. Everything will be ready by the end of the month.
- Trophies: plaques will be done; rosettes and ribbons with STCA logo are ordered.

**Health**

- Denise Wedel joined the Health Committee.
- Displaying the Quilt through out the week and the silent auction were discussed. The silent auction will be Thursday night at the banquet.
- Current balance in the Canine Health Foundation Donor Advice Found is \$13298.12. Possible grants are being reviewed. An auto immune study is currently being founded. Mass Cell Tumors and cruciate ligament ruptures are possibilities for funding.
- The Health Committee will sell T-Shirts & Sweatshirts at the National.

**Public Relations**

- Jerry Santaniello volunteered to become PR committee chair. A motion was made, seconded and approved; Jerry is the new PR Chairman.
- Betty Michl will join Jerry's committee.
- Videos, pictures, slides, etc were proposed for linking to the website. Discussion ensued.
- Jerry proposed a regional approach to PR.

**Judges Mentoring**

- Richard and/or Carla will do judge's mentoring at the National.

**Judges Education** – No report.

**Breeder's Education**

- Karen Thomason and Lydia Castagna are co-chairs for the Breeder's Education committee.
- Richard Gray and Richard Pascoe will be notified.

**Editorial/Magazine**

- A flash reminder was sent out reminding everyone that advertisements were due by the 15<sup>th</sup>.
- The new issue is being assembled.
- Excessive pages in the quarterly were discussed. The board approved two pages per committee.
- The GCSTC ad in the quarterly was discussed.

**Yearbook**

- The years and assembly time for the yearbook were discussed.
- Getting the word out for the next year book needs to be done at the National, on the website and the quarterly.
- The committee will get a website and quarterly advertisement to Jaime by the 20<sup>th</sup>.

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**Website**

- The website has a few more changes to be done.
- The National Schedule needs to be published.
- Committee materials are due by the 15<sup>th</sup>.
- PayPal is “work in progress”.
- Pictures are still needed for the website.
- Publishing the Breed Study on the website was discussed. Sara will be consulted first.

**Judge's Selection**

- A post will be made on the website advising the membership to visit the AKC website for a list of judges.
- Questions from households that received one ballot were answered with the proper procedure.
- Ballots have been received, stamped with the date and put away for safekeeping until the Nationals.

**Awards**

- Plaques will be ready.
- Presentations will be made at the Banquet
- Dam and Sire of merit progressing nicely, lots of positive feedback.

**STCA Moonlight World Champion Challenge**

- Lots of positive feedback, people are excited.

**Standing Rules** – No report.

**Unfinished Business**

- Lydia to work with Holly to put together pictures and other “new” breed materials for the AKC.
- The International Committee was revisited. Jerry will post the idea on Facebook for feedback.
- Frances will contact Sam Royall regarding the 2013 Show Chair. Jerry will take over if Sam declines the Chairmanship.

**Election of New Members**

- Glenn, John J. & Vicky – Family - Approved
- Gerri, James J. – Single - Approved
- Bushard, Holly – Single - Approved

**New Business**

- Sandy Underwood notified the Board that the Kentucky club was changing their regional specialty dates. They are moving out of the Louisville Cluster in March to the Blue Grass Cluster in Lexington in September next year.

**Next Meeting** – September 07, 2012 19:00 CDT

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**Meeting adjourned at 01:00 AM CDT.**

**Respectfully Submitted,**

**John Lottinville**  
**Recording Secretary**