



Scottish Terrier Club of Tampa Bay
Board Meeting Minutes
9 February 2023 – 7 p.m.

Call to order by Linda Andresen at 7 p.m.

In attendance: Linda Andresen, Bobbie Armstrong, Anne Bower, Leslie Condoleo, Donna Johnson, Pam Lowe, Laurie Slater, Patty Spence

Minutes of the 9 Jan 2023 board meeting approved.

Treasurer's Report: balance as of 31 Jan 2023 \$20,194.41.

\$522.17 profit from Dec Specialty Show

It is being considered to request specific show prize donations in the future.

Last annual meeting the meal was subsidized, think about whether that should be done in 2023.

Twenty patches have been ordered and received, with and without the black border. If a kilt is being ordered, one patch will be offered at no charge. They are iron on and cost \$6.50 each + tax.

Next month agenda item: 2023 Budget Discussion.

Show Committee:

The next show committee meeting is Saturday 11 Feb. Linda Andresen will request Sheila-Faith to provide a show committee report at the next board meeting.

Membership: as of 2/9/23 there are 2 applications in process:

Ruth Fry First reading to board. Passed 30 day member notice sent 1/25/23

Carlos & Ada Rodriguez First reading to board. Passed 30 day member notice sent 1/25/23

Sunshine Committee:

Patty Spence sent a thinking of you card to Susie Orchard.

Neil Chivington was in the hospital and is now home, Fay Morgan was in the hospital and is now home, and Julie Wright (ring steward) was in the hospital and is now home.

Bobbie will send blank cards to Laurie Slater who will send cards to Neil and Fay to help Patty out.

Linda Andresen will send Julie's address to Patty.

Event Committee:

18 Feb Deland Dog Parade: STCTB Banner is at Laurie Slater's home. If it cannot be coordinated to get to someone who will be attending the parade it will be shipped to Diane Goodreau.

Spring Fling – WEC is checking on the dates/locations as they are still in our Winter Series through the end of March and they are confirming with the marketing team regarding photography.

Annual Awards Event: bylaws state that annual awards dinner is to be held in June. Conclusion was that due to Tampa show cluster (June 14-18) and graduation events, June 24 would be our 1st choice, June 3rd – 2nd option and June 10th is our last choice.

Ways and Means:

Next meeting Thursday Feb 16.



Felted wool soap/pins/beard oil sales have been going well. \$92.25 soap profit with 9 still in inventory; \$108.80 pin/brooch profit with 2 in inventory; and \$48.79 beard oil profit with 5 left in inventory.

Community yard sale in Lakeland is being considered for club participation (Mar 4 & Nov 4)
Kilts: Diane has 1 kilt left available and only one semi-custom kilt has been ordered.

Service Committee:

The service committee chair is researching ideas for a service committee kick off event that all club members can participate in. Ideas include a dog walk pledge challenge with proceeds to a nonprofit; pet food donations for your local dog (and/or human) shelter; school reading program with your dog; help with a local dog 4-H club; sew dog beds from old sweaters, etc. to donate to shelter.

Discussion ensued and concerns were expressed that the club will be doing a lot of fund raising over the next months and to generate participation across all members, consensus was that the dog walk pledge was a great idea for a future event but suggests the initial service committee events be simple to organize and participate such as perhaps Walk a Scot Meetups at local parks, or a walk challenge where members log miles or number of walks.

In addition, the board recommended that the Q4 educational zoom general meeting be a presentation about the various ways that our dogs can be involved in the community. The event committee and service committees will work together to find a speaker that can talk about the various options such as canine good citizen or other requirements that may be required before a dog is welcome, for example, at an assisted living facility or school.

Old Business:

January Zoom general meeting feedback: 23 people attended the live session. Zoom does not have statistics of how many people watched the recording. 13 members requested sample Bagpiper issues. Ideas to increase participation at upcoming general meetings were to have a raffle/prize drawing and have board members send personal reminders to members.

ByLaw revisions were distributed to the board and the board agreed that the modified bylaws, removing the associate membership, should be submitted. Pam Murray will send revision to the AKC.

It was noted that in preparation for the 2024 ByLaw review, the honorary membership criteria and verbiage should be updated.

Q2 – Kathi Brown, “Review of the Scottish Terrier Standard” *April 27th 7 p.m.* Kathi requested that our board review the AKC Scottish Terrier Judges seminar and provide input back to her by the end of February with what content would be most relevant for our members. To date, Colleen Rafatti and Donna Johnson have watched the video and recommend that the most engaging topic would be to focus on what the dogs were historically bred for and why the specific Standard items are important.

Specifically:

- High level review of the standard with focus on how proper structure and proportions of the Scottie and affects movement
- Characteristics for the "work" Scotties are intended to do (such as the big jaw and head for killing prey, the anatomy of the front to allow for efficient digging when going to ground, etc.)

New Business:

Board Nomination Committee. The bylaws state the board is made up of 4 officers plus at least 4 more members and that the nomination committee be assembled by the end of February with no more



than 1 board member plus 2 committee members and 2 alternates. Donna Johnson volunteered to be the board member representative and Laurie Slater will serve on the committee. They will recruit additional members.

- With the rotating coming up, it would be good for continuity to continue as many current board members as possible. It was also noted that 5 consecutive terms is a good rule of thumb for succession and it is good to bring new people in periodically so that all of the board does not sunset the same year.
- Linda Andresen is willing to continue as president for one more term. Patty Spence is willing to stay on the board and although she will be very busy with shows she is willing to remain as vice president. Bobbie Armstrong is willing to continue as treasurer and Pam Murray is willing to remain as secretary. Donna Johnson is willing to continue to serve on the board. Leslie Condoleo and Anne Bower are willing to continue one more year on the board.

FAKC dues will be paid this month and we were requested to provide a breeder referral contact. The STCA breeder referral person will be noted. Donna Johnson will reach out and get more information about the Canine Protection and Animal Relief Funds and the AKC Canine Legislative Support.

Vacation Swap: Pam Murray was asked if there was a possibility to advertise an 'exchange' or house sitter needs. Consensus was that at members request they may 'advertise' in an STCTB blast email.

Possibly change Board Meeting Day: consider changing the meeting day at the start of the next year if Tuesday or Wednesday evening might work for everyone.

Committee Charter Review – tabled for next meeting

2024 Rotating Thursday Evening – tabled for next meeting.

STCTB Breeder Referral – to be addressed at a later meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:34 p.m.

Brag:

- Donna Johnson's Gwen was Best of Winners, best Best Bred by Exhibitor, and Winners Bitch at the Washington State Scottish Terrier Club Winter Scotty "Pawty" Specialty in January 2023 for a 5-point major
- Pam Murray's Stirling was Award of Merit and Best of Breed Owner Handled at the Washington State Scottish Terrier Club Winter Scotty "Pawty" Specialty in January 2023 and during the weekend, Stirling was select dog twice for two 5-point GCH majors.

ACTION ITEMS: (strike through items have been completed)

- Linda Andresen request Sheila-Faith to provide a show committee report at the next board meeting.
- Bobbie will send blank cards to Laurie Slater who will send cards to Neil Chivington and Fay Morgan.
- Linda Andresen will send Julie Wright's address to Patty Spence.
- Laurie Slater ship STCTB banner to Diane Goodreau for use in the Deland dog parade.



- Q2 – Kathi Brown, “Review of the Scottish Terrier Standard”
April 27th 7 p.m.
 - Board members are requested to review the video and provide feedback by the end of February 2023. Put your name and email in to the form and the video will begin. The training is 1.5 hours and she will be condensing it to a 30 minute presentation. [Registration \(gotowebinar.com\)](https://www.gotowebinar.com)
- Increase participation at upcoming general meetings by having a raffle/prize drawing and have board members send personal reminders to members
- Recommendation to show committee: for future shows, allow catalogs to be pre-ordered.
- AFTER CLUB EVENT PLAN IS COMPLETE:
 - Bobbie Armstrong complete a budget analysis and lead the planning budget effort.
 - Club consider donation to the AKC Canine Legislative Support Fund (CLSF)

AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETING:

- 2023 Budget Discussion
- Committee Charter Review – tabled for next meeting
- 2024 Rotating Thursday Evening – tabled for next meeting.
- STCTB Breeder Referral – to be addressed at a later meeting.

Next board meeting: 9 March 2023 via zoom.

Respectfully submitted by Pam Murray, STCTB Secretary.