



The Scottish Terrier Club of America, Inc.
Meeting of the Officers and Directors
Sunday March 29, 2015
Double Tree Suites Hotel, Dayton, Ohio
8:00 AM – 5:00 PM

PRESENT: President, Charla Hill; Vice President, Lori Kelly; Corresponding Secretary, Pam Williams; Recording Secretary, Theresa Thomas; Treasurer, Rhea Spence; AKC Delegate, Helen Prince; Directors Class of 2015: Steve Russell, Kelli Edell, Nancy Hurren, Jeff Waite. Directors Class of 2016: Peggy Browne, Jerry Burge, April Green, and Pat Wooster.

President Hill called the meeting to order at 8:00 AM EST.

Motion: to change the order of the agenda. Edell/Hurren. Passed unanimously

Motion: to add to the agenda items as requested. Edell/Prince. Passed unanimously.

Motion: to approve the Board Conference Call Feb 18, 2015 with corrections. Prince/Burge. Passed unanimously.

Report of Recording Secretary – Theresa Thomas

2015-17 STCA Roster – Pam Williams, Corresponding Secretary and myself have received the roster. It was mailed on 3/11/15. At this time I do not have the final cost of the roster or total cost of mailing. The mailing cost for the USA members was \$1514.45. 2015 digital roster has been completed with the 2015 renewal information and sent to Charla Hill, Pam Williams, Lori Kelly and Rhea Spence. Modified rosters sent to Bob Gann, Michael Krolewski and Barb Zink.

New STCA Applicants for 2/28/15 - I received 10 ballots by mail postmarked on or before the deadline 3/5/15 and one by email on 3/7/15. The new applicants were approved by a majority of the Board.

Report of Corresponding Secretary – Pam Williams

Correspondence Sent and Received

10/1/2014.Jerry Burge, Helen Prince..2 BBE medallions each for San Francisco and Baltimore & 25 copies breed booklet each
10/5/2014.Joanne Orth..5 copies of breed booklet
10/11/2014.Steve Corrao.. illus standard, 2001 handbook - pd via pp
10/12/2014.Jeanice Barton.. New sponsor of the Bar None trophy named Haslemere Puppy Bitch Award
10/12/2014.Maurine & Ron McConnell.. Thank you re: interest in sponsor of Bar None
10/12/2014.Christine Cook Gerety.. Thank you: sponsorship of the BarNone
10/12/2014.Barbara Gibson/ Pat Wooster. Congrats on Bagpiper cover win 2015
10/12/2014.Lisa Kincheloe.. HTF Reappointment
10/12/2014.Joanne Orth.. Appointment to HTF
10/12/2014.John Leith.. Thank you for service on HTF
10/12/2014.Richard Bumstead.. Thank you for interest in HTF
10/12/2014.Charlie Gann.. Thank you to remain as Sunshine Chairperson
10/12/2014.Norma Mitchell.. Thank you for service on RTF
10/12/2014.Adrian Sanchez.. Thank you for service as Director
10/27/2014..AKC.Monty and Sweeps closeout paperwork
10/27/2014..AKC.Meet the Breeds NY paperwork
10/28/2014.Erica Cerny, Jeanne Lishia.. Letter to coordinators/RTF regarding Board motion 10/1/14 and requests for info
10/28/2014.AKC.List to update STCA BOD
10/31/2014.new members.4-Sodano, Fugate, Scott, Kroese - new member packets
11/4/2015..Gerard Penta. American Dog Show Judges -Parent Club Donor request
11/5/2014.AKC.. Response to name Leslie Condoleo as contact for December Orlando Meet the Breeds booth
11/10/2014.Paul & Kathy Vogt.. Thank you for sponsoring the new Fayette Ewing Owner Handler award
11/10/2014.Laurie Slater.. Recognize the 2013 Silver Service Award as she was never notified
11/10/2014.Kathi Brown.. Thank you for judging the national specialty
11/10/2014.Susan Finn.. Thank you for judging the national sweeps
11/10/2014.Phyllis Broderick.. Thank you for judging performance
11/10/2014.Dr. Caleb Frankel.. Thank you for the HTF seminar
11/10/2014.Ferris, Melucci.. Thank you the grooming seminar
11/10/2014.Bill Berry.. Thank you for offer to pay Jrs. fees for 2015-2019 at fall specialty & donation to historian
11/15/2014.Christine Stephens.. Congratulations on retiring the Bernice Ayers Memorial Trophy
11/18/2014.Elizabeth Bickford.. Congratulations on 50 years NEW Honorary Membership
11/18/2014.Raymond Russ.. Congratulations on 50 years NEW Honorary Membership
11/22/2014.Seon Farris.. Thank you for use of the conference call line
11/22/2014.Barbara Gibson.. Thank you for service as new Agility Chairperson
11/20/2014.Charlie Gann.. Thank you for remaining as Earthdog Chairperson
11/20/2014.Kathy Vogt.. Thank you for returning as Public Info Chairperson
12/9/2015.Ellen Farrell. .Illustrated Guide

12/30/2014.Renee Glover.. Illustrated Guide
1/4/2015.Susan Fitzwilliam-Lawrence..50 year member - Honorary Membership
1/4/2015.AKC..Meet the Clubs logo and verbiage for MeettheBreeds.Com
1/5/2015.Tanya Meadows.. Illustrated Guide & Handbook
1/7/2015..Carole Fry Owen. Letter re: rescue
1/10/2015..Laurie Slater. Tampa Bay update and By-Laws
1/10/2015..Michelle Fujawa. Letter re: Max
1/10/2015..Marty Rose. Letter re: Max
1/10/2015..Julie Hill. Letter re: Max
1/10/2015..Sue Severtson. Letter re: Max
1/13/2015.Huber, Russell, Walthers, Melucci, Browne, Cooke, Bartholomew, VanRavensway, Lindsay, Eggert, Edell, Burge, Blain..Crufts certificates
1/14/2015..Michelle Fujawa. Letter re: Max
1/14/2015..Yvonne Kazan. Letter re: Max
1/16/2015..Pat Bartlett. Confirmation of R-Starr sponsors
1/20/2015.Susan Jacobsen.. Bred By medallions and letter
1/21/2015..Michelle Fujawa. Letter re: Max
1/23/2015..Bob Gann. BOD for Denver club
1/24/2015..Glenda Tucker. Letter re: rescue
1/28/2015..Janet Tomlinson. BOD for Tampa Bay and update
2/6/2015.Tanya Meadows.. Illustrated Guide
2/7/2015..Sandy Acquilla. Letter re: Max
2/7/2015..Cliff Hewitt. application to serve on Nominating Comm
2/7/2015.Kenneth Hekman. .Illustrated Guide
2/8/2015.Kristine Tarrer.. West Highland White Terrier club re: Agility Trial March 5 & 6 2016 Queen City DTC
2/9/2015.Erica Cerny.40 Illus Guides & 20 pamphlets for Meet the Breeds NY
2/13/2015.Judy Dertod.. Illustrated Guide
2/15/2015.Janet Tomlinson. application to serve on Nominating Comm
2/22/2015.Tulanko, DeArmond, Jacobsen, Morales, Shepherd;.Invite Houston, STCNO, STCM, Chicago, HASTC to host 2018 Rotating
2/23/2015..Sue Severtson. Letter re: Max
2/24/2015..Michelle Fujawa. Letter re: Max
2/24/2015..Beth Hernandez. Letter re: Max
2/24/2015.Bill Klier.. Illustrated Guide
2/28/2015.Susan Jacobsen.HASTC re: invite to host 2018 Rotating
3/3/2015..Jay Hyman, Atty. Letter re: Max
3/5/2015..Connie Smith. application to serve on Nominating Comm
3/7/2015..Christine O'Brien. Agreement to propose for 2018 Rotating
3/12/2015.Lisa Inman.4 decals
3/14/2015..Marlene Duman. application to serve on Nominating Comm
3/16/2015. New member packets: Beach, Davies, Fuqua, Kainulainen, Miniman, Newman, Shaver, Sumpter, Swanson
Materials Shipped and Distributed
Erica Cerny - Meet the Breeds NYC - 40 breed booklets and 20 tri fold pamphlets
HASTC - 2 BBE medallions

Materials Sold

(8) Illustrated Standard

(4) Decal

(2) Handbook

Expenses for October-February

\$119.38 - postage, name badge for Jerry Burge, Director

Motion: to donate a \$100.00 to the Dog Judges Education Foundation. Prince/Williams. Passed unanimously.

Nominating Committee for 2015: Tom Hossfeld, Darle Heck, Connie Smith, Glenda Tucker. Alternates: Jo-Anne Riddle, Alison McMillan. **Motion: that Tom Hossfeld be the Chair. Williams/Green. Passed unanimously.**

Report of President – Charla Hill

STC Tampa Bay has elected a full board, planning events and will have their Specialty in December with AKC Eukanuba cluster. Next STCA Board Conference Call is 4/15/15. Please remember to donate to AKC PAC President regularly in touch with STCA's Lawyer, Frank Garb. STCA Constitution and By-Laws were written by our forefathers & they laid out options and purpose of the club: briefing stating 1) Quality Breeding 2) encourage local specify clubs 3) standard and the only way to judge excellent 4) protect and advance the interest breed by good sportsmanship 5) conduct AKC Sanction Matches. They were the only options laid out by this club. Never according to our By-Laws have we mitigated or judged in a situation except when charges are brought by one member to another member for "*allege misconduct prejudicial to the best interest of the Club or the Breed*" (Article IV Discipline). The club does not intervene between disputes between an STCA member and non-member. In the Constitution and By-Laws it states In Article X the club operates 1) by the Law of the Land, 2) by the Constitution and By-Laws 3) by written policy 4) by Robert's Rules of Order.

Report of Vice President and Show Chair – Lori Kelly

Rotating 2015. Planning continues with host club Washington State STC. Regional club show chair: Jackie Blumenstetter.

Host Hotel: LaQuinta Inn & Suites-Tacoma. Reservations may be made under the Scottish Terrier Club of America Show block of rooms until 5/13/15.

Show Site: Washington State Fair Grounds, Puyallup, WA. Show Superintendent: BaRay Event Services
I prepared the information packet, which is available at the website and ready to be distributed in hard copy by Debi Russell to those who have requested hard copy mailings. Next step: The web team will set up quick links for all things rotating upon completion of website update.

Event Calendar: We have scheduled a full weekend of activities. Thurs., June 4 – STCA Board Meeting, STCA Hospitality and WSSTC Seminar (“What’s Bugging You and Your Scottie?”). Cash bar. Light refreshments (N/C). Seminar is offered at no charge however seat reservations are requested. Deadline for seminar reservations: 5/20/15.

Fri., June 5 - WSSTC’s specialty Sweepstakes Judge: Whitney Shafer. Regular & Non Regular Classes: Clay Coady. Rally and Obedience will be offered. I have been advised that grooming area will be reserved for Scotties near the ring. No grooming is permitted in the exhibition hall. Exhibitors are reminded to check the Premium List detailed site information. New for Rotating: STCA Grooming Workshop facilitated by Kathy Ferris, Barbara Casey and Merle Taylor. Same format as presented in October during MCKC ’14 week. Limited to 1st 20 STCA and WSSTC members (Free!). To begin 20 minutes after the conclusion of WSSTC specialty Breed judging. A limited number of auditor seats will also be made available. Deadline for pre-registration: 5/20/15. Puyallup will not charge for seminar room. Vandra Huber is enthusiastically planning and organizing Steppin’ Out – Top 20. event at the show site. Time TBA. Please direct questions on this event to Vandra.

Sat., June 6 -

STCA Rotating Specialty held in conjunction with the Puyallup Valley Dog Fanciers all breed show at the Washington State Fairgrounds in Puyallup. STCA Rotating Judges: Ron McConnell (Sweepstakes). Mariano Hernan Gatica Gomes (Regular & Non-Regular Classes). Entries close: 5/20/15.

WSSTC silent auction, cash bar & STCA buffet dinner at host hotel. I am working with LaQuinta’s banquet manager on menu and details of banquet. WSSTC will prepare “tickets.” Banquet/buffet dinner reservations are required. Deadline 5/20/15.

June 7 – Tacoma Kennel Club all breed show (supported entry). (Note: Scottish Terrier classes are not offered on Friday at the All Terrier Club of Western Washington.)

Puyallup has very specific instructions for access to the show site, parking and grooming areas. Exhibitors and attendees are encouraged to read all information posted in Premium Lists to be available shortly.

Open items: Rotating links at STCA website. STCA volunteers/coordinators: Debi Russell (distribution of hard copies of info packet and coordination of Puyallup/Tacoma catalog advertising); Kim Lindsay Strode (event registrations for buffet dinner, grooming workshop, hospitality). Payment may be made online or checks payable to STCA may be mailed to Kim. Peggy Browne – STCA trophies. A full complement of new trophies is being produced, keeping same theme as ’14. Peggy to coordinate STCA trophy donations, payment may also be made at the STCA website or by check payable to the STCA and mailed to Peggy (address in info packet). Link for payment at website will be available shortly. Peggy will cover specifics in her report.

Internal deadline: I will submit info for Premium lists by 3/11/15 deadline go to BaRay Events, Puyallup/Tacoma show superintendent.

Publicity – Ongoing. I provided Kathy Vogt (STCA Public Information) with AKC template. Follow up week of 3/1/15. **Bagpiper** ad is complete for publication in issue #2. **STCA’s WrapUp**, Facebook page and club email distribution will be utilized for publicity leading up to events deadlines.

Important deadlines: April 22- trophy donations and advertising. I have asked Debi Russell to make all deposits within 2 weeks of deadline. May 13 – host hotel reservations. May 20 – pre-registration for WSSTC seminar, STCA grooming workshop and pre-paid buffet dinner reservations. Kim Lindsay will manage checks/payment deposits and should receive web updates on all event reservations.

-Special note: Members are encouraged to refer to premium lists for all shows; entry fees will vary. Exhibitors are also encouraged to bring a copy of their entry forms to the shows. This is spelled out in information packet.

Montgomery 2015. Calendar changes with addition of Morris & Essex. 9/28-10/1 –Agility at In The Net in Palmyra, PA. STCA is sponsoring the event on 9/30. Pending approval, there will also be two terrier obedience and Rally trials on that Tues., 9/29 at the same location. Wed., 9/30: Hatboro I (supported entry). Thurs., 10/1: Morris & Essex (supported entry). Fri., 10/2 Hatboro II (supported entry). Fri., 10/2: STCA Rally/Obedience/Sweepstakes & Annual Meeting/Dinner & Board After Dinner Mtg. Sat., 10/3: Devon Dog Show Assoc. (supported entry). Sun., 10/4: MCKC/STCA Nat’l Specialty. Mon., 10/5 – STCA hosts Earthdog at Crosswicks.

-STCA specialty weekend applications were submitted to AKC in Dec. 2014. As of 3/1/15: STCA Rally/Obedience at the Sheraton Bucks County is approved. Judge: Jean Nocilly. Sweepstakes event and judge approved for STCA: J. Clifford Schultz. Ring stewards are set. I am coordinating with MCKC premium list and catalog information with Carol Carlson of MCKC. Specialty has been approved. Scottish Terriers: Mrs. Sandra Maclachlan. MCKC Terrier Group: Mr. Clay Coady, Jr. Showmanship: Mrs. Connie H. Clark. Best Junior – pending panel/processing as of 3/4/15. Closing: 9/16/15. Peggy Browne is working on STCA trophy proposal. Supported entry information for Hatboro (HDC) and Devon (DDSA) will be provided to clubs shortly.

-Also of special note, Charlie Gann reports that the AKC Event Application has pending for the 20th Anniversary of Earthdog event (and last year at the Crosswicks, NJ location) on 10/5. Please refer to Charlie’s report. Feedback from ’14 Grooming Workshop and Barn Hunt demo was quite positive. I did receive one written and one verbal request from two members to consider offering a Canine Good Citizen event in ’15. In addition to offering the barn hunt activity on Saturday, I recommend that we do offer a CGC program to reach yet another segment of membership. Calendar to be reviewed to determine viability.

-I attended an Open House event at the Sheraton Bucks County on 2/25 to view extensive renovations in progress. Meeting pending for May 7 or 8 to coordinate STCA events held at hotel property. Also of note, there has been concern expressed by participants in Rally/Obedience regarding noise and distraction at the hotel during competition. On my visit to the hotel, I was made aware of new soundproofing room dividers, dividing Ballroom I from II. I recommend that we consider closing off Ballroom I during the morning for Rally/Obedience, then opening up for Sweepstakes.

Rau has been notified for set up on 10/1 with teardown 10/2. My follow-up is scheduled for June to set time, date and costs associated with Rau for delivery, setup and tear-down of Rally/Obedience, plastic, ring gates, tables and related equipment for our events at the host hotel on 10/2/15.

In other activity:

- In order to plan for the future I am in the process of polling a targeted list of STCA stakeholders and past MCKC week exhibitors/participants via email, beginning 2/23/15 with end date of 3/6/15 to gauge satisfaction of different venues (Obedience/Rally/Sweepstakes/Specialty/Annual Dinner Meeting/Vendors). Responses are anonymous. I am hopeful for at least a 65% return. Full report will be presented on 3/29.
- I have received a handful of volunteer forms from Oct. 14 to March 4. It is recommended that we offer the volunteer form directly at the website, making it easier and faster for volunteers to respond. Revision to STCA forms (suggesting volunteer, awards nominations, petitions to serve forms) should be made with consideration for online submission. Volunteers' names have been forwarded on to the appropriate chairpersons and have all been acknowledged promptly.

Agility Event 2016 – Applications and paperwork have been submitted for a STCA agility event to take place in March 2016. Barbara Gibson coordinating.

Rotating 2016 update from Helen Prince

A committee comprised of Board members from the STC of Greater Washington, DC, and the STC of Greater Baltimore met on Sunday, March 22, 2015, to discuss the STCA Rotating being held on the Baltimore area in April 2016.

1. We have decided upon a theme “Star Spangled Scotties” and a logo
2. A table decoration prototype for MC Annual Meeting in October 2015 will be made by Norman Prince. This committee will meet in early summer to approve prototype and then create them. Question: how many?
3. Hospitality will be held at the hotel on Friday evening, hosted by the two club. At this point we need to find out if we can bring our own food or do we have the budget for paying the hotel.
4. We will do some fund-raising in the form of selling sweatshirts, t-shirts, and grooming aprons with the Rotating 2016 logo. We want to sell these at MC Sweeps
5. The two clubs will offer a complimentary Continental Breakfast at the show site on Saturday. We suggest that we have box lunches to order via the STCA info packet.

STCA Annual Pins – work to begin in May.

Report of Treasurer – Rhea Spence

-Through the diligence of this board, the STCA remains fiscally sound. At the end of 2014, our total assets amounted to \$ 341,412.00. We had a profit of \$16,886.15 for the year, which is less than we have been having for the past 3 years but still better than a few years ago when we were suffering losses. We did have the extra expense of the By-Laws change voting, which amounted to almost \$3,800. We also ordered 25 year pins and bags for them, which ran almost \$800. In addition, we ordered pins to be given to our Breeder of Merit members, which was almost \$400.

-At first glance, our income was a bit less in a couple of areas. Our Shoppe income was \$11,961.46 in 2013 but only \$7,302/52. Hopefully before our board meeting, I will have a chance to better compare income and expenses for the past few years so we can better understand the difference.

-We do continue to lose members without gaining enough new members to replace them. If it weren't for the efforts of board members calling members who have not renewed by December 31st, we would lose even more.

-Unfortunately, getting our members to renew their membership in a timely manner is one of our biggest problems. We did have fewer “non-renewals” when we got to the point of calling those who had not renewed, but there were still a goodly number. I wish I knew what the answer to this problem was!

-I think we do have a problem with getting mailed renewal forms to our members. I'm sure some of the people who said they never received the form in the first place probably did and just misplaced it or threw it away but I think some people really didn't get theirs—even though none came back this year. I think that the email reminders do help as each time one was sent out, we had a flurry of renewals, but evidently some people just don't pay attention to those either. I would have to go back and check from previous years but it did seem that this year more people paid for getting Hard Copies than before—many listed email addresses. Then there are those who don't have email. Unfortunately, I think we will continue to have too many members not renewing by the December 31st deadline.

- Club Insurance update - is \$1,000,000.00

Report of Delegate to the AKC – Helen Prince

The last AKC Delegates' meeting was held on March 9-10, 2015, at the Doubletree Hotel, Newark, NJ. On Sunday, March 8, 2015, I also attended the AKC Reunite Disaster Trailer Committee of which I am a new member, and the discussion was strategies to raise more money for trailers where they are needed, and ways to involve Parent Clubs and licensed all-breed clubs in that process. I can discuss this more in person at our meeting. In addition to the Delegates' Meeting on Tuesday, March 10, I also attended two Delegate Committee meetings on Monday, March 9, 2015.

Monday, March 9, 2015 - Canine Health Committee:

1. The meeting opened with a presentation by Susan Lilly, the new CEO of the Canine Health Foundation (CHF). She spoke about the new webinars that are being offered (I have forwarded this information on to the Board) and also the 2015 Canine Health Parent Club Conference, which will be held August 7-9, 2015, in St. Louis. Parent Clubs are given one slot at ½ price -- \$250. This includes all expenses at the two day conference but the attendees must pay his/her own travel expenses. Our Health Trust Fund is aware of this event.
2. The AKC is currently in the process of hiring a Chief Veterinary Officer.
3. A project currently being discussed is a protocol for recommendation of immunizations for dog to get before going to dog shows.
4. Bred with Heart is to become the latest AKC tribute to breeders who do health testing and may be introduced to the fancy by the end of April. To qualify you must be able to prove you do the health testing recommended by your Parent Club, your “kennel” facilities must be able to pass an AKC inspection (cleanliness, accurate records, etc.), you will have certified that you

pass on all health information/testing results to your puppy buyers. AKC will inspect randomly—the trigger may be the number of litters you have every year or the number of dogs you house in your “kennel” facility. You will also be required to do continuing education, via webinars, on-line courses, etc. If you do not keep up the health testing or continuing education, your name automatically will be off the list.

Other ways to show best breeding practice are to mentor people, and keep in touch with your puppy buyers, etc., and this could be part of your “resume” for this program.

There will be a fee charged for this designation; you will be required to renew this designation every year.

5. CHIC Update: Parent Clubs are asked to re-visit their CHIC requirements annually and add to them as needed. At this time there are 175 breed clubs participating in CHIC, with 97,700 on the registry.

6. The current studies on infectious diseases are being done at Ohio State University.

7. The AVMA is working with this committee and AKC for grants to help veterinary students.

8. www.dogwellnet.com is a great tool for sharing information

Parent Club Committee

As I announced in an email, I was elected by the Committee to serve in place of Bill Blair (deceased) for this year’s remaining term. I do have to run again in September.

Probably the most important thing we discussed in this meeting was the problem that nearly every Parent Club had with their breed’s description on the AKC website. Chris Walker, head of AKC Communications, stated that he took full responsibility for what happened. The following should be done by each Parent Club

a. Provide AKC with some pictures, not just show dogs but pictures of pets who also are good representatives of the breed.

AKC wants to appeal not only to show people but to a wider audience. Pictures may be mail to Chris Walker at 260 Madison Ave, NYC

b. Designate one person in your club to be a contact person/spokesman to interface with AKC Communications, and to be authorized to “fix” anything that might be offensive to the club.

Several members of the Parent Club committee suggested that the AKC use the description of the breed and the standard that we sent to be put in the new AKC Dog Book. It was noted that we all signed a paper saying that the information in the book was copyrighted so we can copy it again and use it ourselves. AKC will have to allow the clubs to use this material if they wish for the website.

Other business

1. Best Practices for Increasing/Keeping Membership committee reported that the following works: Social outreach, calling members whose dues are in arrears, reaching out to exhibitors of your breed who are not members

2. CGC – 29,300 titles as of this meeting

3. Breeder of Merit – AKC will contact the 12,000 + who already have this title to get updated information. Parent Clubs will soon be able to request a listing of those in their breed who have this designation.

4. Bred With Heart – HEART means Health, Education, Accountability, Responsibility, Tradition. The other information given was the same as the Canine Health Committee.

5. Judge Approval: Tom Powers reported that he got lots of feedback and a NEW Draft of the Judges’ Approval Process will be discussed at the March AKC Board meeting. That draft will be sent out again to us for suggestions and comments.

6. Low Entry Breeds: a letter was sent to Alan Slay requesting some changes in awarding points for these breeds. No response yet

7. Meet the Breeds: Florida had attendance of 31,000, NYC had 20,000. It will be the same place and time next year.

8. Parent Clubs will be sent a request to update if needed your flyer that goes out with new puppy registrations.

9. AKC Marketplace: Began as a new way to advertise litters. Clubs will also be able to advertise events, links to their websites. Estimated cost to do will be \$100 per year.

10. NOTE: At the February Board meeting (2/12/15, page 3) the Board voted that when setting the number of dogs/points each year for each region, that the shows prior to a National Specialty, and after the National Specialty on the same weekend will not count toward figuring the points for that region. For us this means that Hatboro and Devon will not influence the point count for our region and may lower the number of dogs/bitches needed for a 5 point major at Montgomery. This begins in January 2016.

There were also some of the same things discussed here that were also discussed in the Canine Health Committee which I will not repeat. Susan Lilly, CEO of the CHF, also spoke to the Parent Club Committee.

Tuesday, March 10, 2015 - AKC Delegates’ Meeting

The meeting began with a tribute to delegates who were deceased since our last meeting including Bob Black. The minutes of the December meeting were approved, and an introduction of newly seated Delegates was held.

The first ballot for AKC Directors was cast.

Chairman Alan Kilter reported that the AKC is in better financial health, mainly due to the CGC titles and the Canine Partners program. We do not make money from events, but for the first time in 10 years registrations are up. The perception of the public, however, is that AKC is not relevant, they are hoping that social media is helping to change that perception. A video called God Created Dogs was shown and I forwarded the link to you.

VOTE - Amendment to Chapter 11, Section 1 of Rules applying to Dog Shows which changes the time from when limited registrations must be removed in order for a dog to compete in a breed competition *Passed with a 2/3 majority*

READ - Proposed Amendment to Chapter 2, Sections 1-16, and Rules Applying to Dog Shows which deals with the club territory issue. Will be voted on in June.

The result of the vote for Directors was announced. There was only one ballot:

Dr. Carmen Battaglia, Dr. Tom Davies, and Mr. Steve Gladstone were elected. At the AKC Board meeting immediately after, Ron Menaker was elected Chairman and Carl Ashby was elected Vice Chairman.

There was no further business for the Delegate Body.

.Kathi Brown to be STCA contact person for AKC Scottie web page.

Committee Reports

Agility – Barbara Gibson. (*Liaison, Pam Williams*)

All-terrier agility cluster (Oct 2015):

All signed paperwork and required deposits have been submitted to the trial coordinators. AKC application for the trial has been submitted, but the group is still waiting to hear back from AKC regarding approval. The trial coordinator has followed up with AKC, and apparently they are behind on processing applications. Will be ordering High in Trial trophies in late April.

Black and white agility trial (March 2016)

Signed paperwork and contract has been submitted to the Queen City Dog Training club, who has filed it to AKC on our behalf. Still waiting on AKC for confirmation that application was accepted and trial approved.

We asked Lisa Dempsey and she has agreed to judge for us.

Annual Awards – Helen Krisko & Margaret O'Brien, certificates

No Report

Awards Tallies - Michael Krolewski, Chair; Lesley Andrews, Janet Bartholomew, Cheryl Fugate, Susan Kenney, Ray Knapp, Margaret Kooda, Ted Miyamura, Mary Helen Rice, & Tracy Wooster (*Liaison, Pat Wooster*)

Overall: The group is working well.

Electronic Reports:

The electronic report generation is working well.

Generally the AKC reports can be converted into tally information for the rest of the committee within 2 days of receiving the reports. I am generating monthly, quarterly and annual reports for everyone to work with.

The club renewed the purchase of the two AKC reports.

The Titles report (free) is now coming to the club via a email address that forwards to multiple people at the same time. That way everyone is getting the data without having to wait for it to be forwarded.

STCA Website and Annual Awards information

A major change in 2014 was the publication of the current year's tally information as it becomes available. The result of this is now the members can see the same information the committee has.

Though I have not heard much from the membership, this appears to be working well. People have noticed mistakes and omissions and have sent in requests for corrections.

The biggest change to the software is a minor change to allow for altering the ownership of the award. The puppy dog award switched ownership at the end of 2014.

Bag Piper Publication:

The quarterly summaries have been generated on time.

The formatting of the report has been standardized. The editor does still sometimes change the formatting in the final draft for publication.

The biggest issue still is the membership identification. I am happy to have Tracy Wooster to review the membership as they are added. This is getting better.

Bagpiper – Barbara Gibson, Editor; Pam Singleton, Marketing; Allene Auld and April Green, Advertising; Marcia Harbison, Circulation Manager ; Linda White Regional Clans Editor.

ISSUE 1 - JANUARY 2014:

- 1175 copies printed
- 1100 were mailed the week of March 28th
 - first class 210
 - bulk 838
 - foreign 52
- Issue was 104 pages plus covers. We received 53 stud dog ads which was one more than last year. This year we again had 23 business card ads which total \$2,300 in income.

Overall - the recent updates to the Bagpiper have been well received. Plan to continue to update the look and sections of the magazine over the next couple of issues. A low number of color ads was noted in Issue #1 and impacted income, but hoping it will pick up with Issue #2 due to Rotating. We did have an increase in the number of B&W ads vs. color.

Total Advertising Income Issue 1 - \$9,150.00

Expenses Issue 1

KMK Design	\$1,072.00
JPA Printing	\$4,712.43
JPA S&H	<u>\$2,098.72</u>
Total	\$7,883.15 Design, Print & Mail

The Bagpiper Issue 1 realized a NET INCOME (PROFIT) OF \$1,266.85

ISSUE 2 - July 2014:

- 1200 copies printed
- 1133* were mailed the week of July 3rd
 - first class 213
 - bulk 869
 - foreign 51
- Issue was 112 pages plus covers

*Due to JPA underestimating the impact of the weight of this issue due to it being so many pages, advertisers were sent a second copy via Priority mail so as not to delay their issue due to others going bulk rate. This number does not include those copies. The postage cost below DOES include the postage of the second issue sent out.

Total Advertising Income Issue 2 - \$9,875.00

Expenses Issue 2

KMK Design	\$ 928.00
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JPA Printing	\$5,201.95
JPA S&H	\$1,787.45
Total	\$7,917.40 Design, Print & Mail

The Bagpiper Issue 2 realized a NET INCOME (PROFIT) OF \$1,957.60

- Modern Litho printed their first issue for us with Bagpiper #4. To date the response has been very positive and the transition was seamless to our members.

- Kathy Engle Stabler has agreed to take on the Performance Editor role.

- Pam Singleton has indicated that she does wish to remain as Marketing Manager. She is working with Charlie Gann to get up to speed on what is needed and timing.

- Calendar Update - quite a few submissions were received. I have sorted them by quality of image resolution and we will be reviewing them after Issue 1 goes to press to choose winners.

ACTION ITEMS: Presentation of Annual Book

Bagpiper Circulation Manager Marcia Harbison

The Bagpiper Circulation has continued to increase, not only in the Bulk "Special Deal", but a slight rise in First Class and Foreign. These next few months will tell whether the Special Deal people continue subscribing. Here are the numbers last year as compared to this year:

	<u>1st Class</u>	<u>Bulk</u>	<u>Foreign</u>
<u>3/30/2014</u>	19	47	10
<u>3/10/2015</u>	22	179	14

There is still a problem with me receiving PayPal payments, but Bob Gann is working on this and hoping the new system will take care of this problem.

Thanks to Charla and Kathy for the Judges updates which were made to the #1 issue 2015

Annual Book: An Ad. Hoc. Committee consisting of Helen Prince, April Green & Pam Williams was established and will report at the Rotating Meeting.

Breeder Referral – Barb Zink (*Liaison, Pam Williams*) Time Frame: Dec 2014 – Feb 2015 (3 months)

- For the past 3 months, there have been approx. 32 requests for assistance to find puppies.

The requests are from AKC site, STCA site, my personal web site as well as fellow breeders sending people to the STCA Breeder Referral.

-I check every 6-8 weeks (approx.) with Scottie News Network to find out available pups/adults to place. I do ask any information to be sent to the BR email. I then keep a list of available dogs to use for future calls/emails for pups.

-Just a reminder to the Board: when prospective owners ask me cost of puppies to be sold by breeders, I do not give them a price. I can not do so, as I don't know what every breeder charges for their dogs. There is a WIDE variation in the prices from one end of the USA to the other.

-When I send folks to the breeders, I also make sure that I say that pups/dogs "MAY" be available. So when they contact the breeder, they are not sure, and that is up to the breeder to share and make a decision if they would like to work with this prospective buyer.

-It is discouraging to me, to have the people who are looking, and trying to buy a dog, call me back and say NO ONE has returned their call or email.

-We are still getting periodic requests to list breeders on the WEB site, USA & foreign. The WEB team has been very good at getting them up.

-My plan is to write a notice for the Bagpiper and the STCA wrap up to remind folks of what I do in this job, and how helpful it is to answer the people who are interested in puppies.

Breeder Referral Honor Roll – Helen Prince. To date 5 members applied for Honor Roll to be presented at Annual Dinner

Constitution and By-Laws –Helen Prince, Charla Hill, Connie Smith.

-The revised by-laws were mailed to the membership for a vote. Final results of the vote were received from Mark Todd, CPA, and these results are attached. The newly revised by-laws with the results of the vote were sent to Mr. Michael Liosis, Club Relations, AKC, for final approval, which we received. The new by-laws were then sent to Recording Secretary Theresa Thomas for inclusion in the new STCA Roster and the results of the vote were printed in the Bagpiper, Issue #4, 2014, as promised. The new by-laws are now on the STCA website

STCA BALLOT FOR BY-LAWS CHANGES

The following are the results of the voting for by-laws changes. To pass, each change must receive a 2/3 majority of the votes that are returned. There were 421 ballots returned.

Not all ballots had all 25 items voted, but that did not change the final results.

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| 1. Article I, Section 1: Membership:
YES <u>324</u> NO <u>97</u> Passed | 8. Article II, Section 4: The Board of Directors
YES <u>396</u> NO <u>21</u> Passed |
| 2. Article I, Section 2(b): Initiation Fee
YES <u>388</u> NO <u>30</u> Passed | 9. Article III, Section 1: Board of Director
YES <u>397</u> NO <u>20</u> Passed |
| 3. Article I, Section 3: Election to Membership:
Paragraph #1
YES <u>389</u> NO <u>29</u> Passed | 10. Article III, Section 2(b): The Vice President
YES <u>401</u> NO <u>17</u> Passed |
| 4. Article I, Section 3: Election to Membership
Paragraph # 2
YES <u>399</u> NO <u>19</u> Passed | 11. Article III, Section 2(e): The Treasurer
YES <u>405</u> NO <u>11</u> Passed |
| 5. Article II, Section 1: Annual Meeting
YES <u>392</u> NO <u>26</u> Passed | 12. Article III, Section 2(f): The Delegate to the.
YES <u>396</u> NO <u>23</u> Passed |
| 6. Article II, Section 2: Special Club Meeting
YES <u>398</u> NO <u>20</u> Passed | 13. Article III, Section 3: Vacancies
YES <u>403</u> NO <u>16</u> Passed |
| 7. Article II, Section 3: Board Meetings
YES <u>397</u> NO <u>22</u> Passed | 14. Article IV, Section 2: Voting
YES <u>394</u> NO <u>24</u> Passed |
| | 15. Article IV, Section 3: Annual Election
YES <u>406</u> NO <u>13</u> Passed |

16. Article IV, Section 4: Nominations and Ballots
 YES 402 NO 17 Passed
17. Article IV, Section 4(a): Nominating Committee
 YES 403 NO 15 Passed
18. Article IV, Section 4(b)
 YES 266 NO 153 *Did Not Pass (63.48%)*
19. Article IV, Section 4(d)
 YES 398 NO 19 Passed
20. Article IV, Section 4(f)
 YES 395 NO 17 Passed
21. Article VI, Section 2: Charges

- (Paragraph #1)
 YES 237 NO 182 *Did Not Pass (56.56%)*
22. Article VI, Section 2: Charges (Paragraph #2)
 YES 395 NO 23 Passed
23. Article VII, Section 1: Amendments
 YES 405 NO 13 Passed
24. Article VII, Section 2:
 YES 396 NO 22 Passed
25. Article VIII, Section 1: Dissolution
 YES 408 NO 10 Passed

The revised By-laws will be printed in the 2015 Club Roster.

- This concludes our task for this Ad Hoc Committee and we recommend that it be dissolved.

The committee is dissolved.

Earthdog – Charlie Gann (*Liaison*, Jerry Burge)

Accomplishments:

We have been arranging the STCA sponsored Montgomery Earthdog event.

We have a committee, judges ready to go, it has been submitted to the AKC, secretary is John McNabney.

The STCG Washington DC held an Earthdog trial in September 2014. Total of 13 entries by Scotties. (Note- most Earthdog events are hosted by Earthdog clubs.) The property at Crosswicks for the 20th Anniversary is on the market and may not be available. There are options being discussed and will know more at a later date.

Recommendations/Proposal:

Would like approval for the expenditures for the Earthdog event at Montgomery. Jerry Burge is to follow up with Charlie

We need to encourage more Scottie owners to participate perhaps by sponsoring Earthdog events or demos at specialties or local all breed clubs.

2014 Earthdog Titles. (As reported on the STCA website)

- Junior Earthdog (JE)

*CH Aulscot Dawn Patrol CD RE OAP OJP NFP (B) Awarded: 2014-10-25 Sire: CH Kilrak Oceania Gold CD BN RE AX AXJ XF Dam: Affinity Morrish Lady Breeder: Neil Patterson, Phyllis Patterson Owner: A Auld, B A Gibson

*Gallica's Victory At Bannockburn RN MX MXB MXJ MJS T2B JE (D) Awarded: 2014-09-13 Sire: CH Chyscott's First Knight Dam: CH Glenfraser's Black Brenna SE Breeder: Robert Gann, Charlene D Gann Owner: K E Stabler

*GCH CH Merrie Munro's Dark Victor BN RN JE CA CGC (D) Awarded: 2014-11-15 Sire: CH Campbell's Einstein's Theory VCD2 RE AXJ CA RATN CGC Dam: CH Munro's Dark Freesia RN Breeder: Jo-Anne Riddle Owner: J A Riddle, M Rice

*Mountain View's Little Lulu JE (B) Awarded: 2014-06-08 Sire: Mountain View's Shadow Dam: Mountain View's Goldielocks II Breeder: Joan D S Geary Owner: M Vaughan

- As you know the event as planned, marks the 20th Anniversary and final event of Earthdog at Crosswick's. JoAnn is quite excited about it!

- However, the property will be listed for sale this June and there is a real possibility of a sale proceeding quickly. If that happens, the site may not be available.

By the first part of May I think we need a clear-cut answer on what to do "IF" the site sells sometime during the summer and we cannot use it. The deadline is because the information must be provided to the for the MKC info packet Lori by May 8.

I suggest we have Lori add the following information in bold font in the information packet stating something on the order of:

There is a possibility that this venue may become unavailable. Should this happen, the event will be moved or canceled. The STCA will publish any changes at www.stca.biz. I will then alert other breed clubs of the move or cancellation.

-JoAnn's preference is to plan for the site to be available. This may or may not be realistic depending on the possible sale and timing. JoAnne will meet with the realtors next week and give us more advice/info if possible by the end of next week. Clearly, we will have to be appraised of any updates.

-If the site does sell, there are 3 possibilities:

1. Continue with the event at Crosswicks if the new owners will allow or if the sale will be post event.

2. Move the event to another site in the Montgomery county area. John has found a site near the place where agility will be held at 225 Bethlehem Church Road, Red Lyon, PA. That site is a bit farther from the MCKC site than we like (98 miles, 1 ½ hours away). It has been used by York County Dog Training Club for Earthdog for about 5 years. JoAnn has talked with the owners who are both Earthdog judges. It is a permanent site and they would be happy to have the event there if JoAnn's becomes unavailable. 3. Cancel the event.

-The idea was to hold the 20 th anniversary of Earthdog at JoAnn's. If it is held at another venue it will simply be a regular Earthdog event and not the celebration.

Speaking with JoAnn March 20th she said they are meeting with their realtor again the end of the March, she will get back to us after that meeting soon as that is concluded and see what the realtor suggests. It is JoAnn's preference that they don't have the sale until after October.

We will continue to watch this issue. It is too early to take any further action at this point but I wanted to let you know what may come to pass. John and I will certainly stay on top and keep you up to date on the developments!

Facebook – James Sumpter, Chair, Janet Tomlinson, Pam Singleton, Jeanie Jennings, Lori Kelly, Kari Hill, Michael Bohl, Web contact. (*Charla Hill, Liaison*) Time Period: October 2014 - Present

Activities, Projects and Accomplishments:

- The STCA Facebook team has built upon the progress established during its inaugural quarter of work. The group has increased its Weekly Posting Rate from 2 to 4 posts a week to 5 to 7 posts a week and has increased its Facebook audience from 1,560 unique individuals to 2,806 unique individuals at the end of February 2015, representing a 79% audience increase in a 4 month period.

- The Facebook team's posts present content promoting STCA activities and leadership initiatives, reaching up to 2,875 unique individuals daily and up to 10,000 individuals weekly--this represents a 400%+ weekly reach increase over the inaugural 3 month period average. Posts are carefully monitored by STCA member volunteers and topics of discussion are restricted to those defined by the STCA leadership. The STCA Facebook team has assisted non-STCA members by redirecting outside inquiries to official STCA resources, including STCA leadership and the STCA Website.

Expenses: The STCA Facebook effort is supported by volunteers and has no expenses.

Recommendations: After accomplishing its year-end goal of 2,500 unique audience members, the Facebook team recommends perpetuating its existing procedures and rules and assessing success mid-year 2015.

-Further, the STCA Facebook team recommends focusing its efforts on providing high quality information to the public and engaging existing members in a positive way as a priority above and beyond audience growth.

Finance Committee – Rhea Spence, Charla Hill, Kelli Edell, Steve Russell.

No Report

Gazette Columnist – Kathy Ferris (*Liaison, Nancy Hurren*)

Column from Feb 2015, topic MCKC review and site evaluation.

Health Trust –Chair; Marcia Dawson, Lisa Kincheloe Treasurer; Helen Prince, Secretary; Gloria Kilby, Mike Krolewski, Barb Zink, Dr. Joanne Orth

The HTF is busy with several projects and plans:

- 1) The Purdue Bladder Cancer Screening Study: The Purdue team has now enrolled and screened over 110 Scotties at one of three locations: Purdue Veterinary School on campus in Lafayette, Indiana, Springfield, Illinois and Louisville, Kentucky. There is exciting news: Dr. Knapp reports that the results so far are very promising in the Scotties diagnosed early with TCC and placed on Deramaxx. These dogs have a much higher rate of remission than she typically sees in Scotties diagnosed later in life. Already, in the first 6 months of the 3-year study, Dr. Knapp has proven that a protocol of early screening, diagnosis and intervention is the best way to go for our Scotties. Plans are already under way for the next series of screening clinics, starting with Springfield, IL on April 1-2. The study is over budget at this time due to the greater than anticipated number of Scotties being diagnosed with TCC and requiring the more expensive diagnostics and therapy. Fortunately, other Scottie clubs and groups have organized fund raising campaigns to contribute to the study, working concurrently with the HTF to continue this important study.
- 2) The HTF continues to encourage all Scottie owners with dogs aged 4 up to 11 years of age to send blood samples to Dr. Kurt Zimmerman's atypical Cushing's study at VA-MD Regional Veterinary School of Virginia Tech. We have posted several notices on Scottie lists, the STCA Face Book page, and the Bagpiper as well as the Regional WrapUp Newsletter. The STCA Website has all the required documents and contact information. Sample numbers are still far below what they need to be, so we will continue to remind Scottie owners to consider contributing a blood samples to this research.
- 3) The HTF will be selling Raffle Tickets for a queen-sized Scottie Quilt donated by Kim Magnuson and Charlie Gann. Charlie will bring the quilt to Rotating and will have the prize on display. Charlie will also be selling tickets at Rotating. The quilt raffle will be advertised on the STCA Website, and the HTF will sell tickets and hold the drawing at MCKC. Ticket prices will be one for \$5 or five for \$20.
- 4) The HTF is finalizing the format and plans for the 2015 HTF Scottie Health Survey. This will be an on-line survey and we plan to make it available to as many Scottie owners and breeders as possible, both national and international.
- 5) There are no action items on behalf of the HTF at this time.

Historian – Janet Tomlinson (*Liaison, Charla Hill*)

Since my report on October 1, 2014:

- 1) Am working with Web team to create a pedigree format which will allow photos to be attached to the pedigree data base. Met with Mary O'Neal at MCKC 2014 and she has agreed I should put up photos.
- 2) This project is soon to be in the works.
- 3) Have proof that the Scottish Terrier Club of America was formed in 1900 by Dr. Fayette C. Ewing,
- 4) Mr. J. Steele Mackenzie, and Mrs. Jack Brazier, of Long Island. I have written an article correcting the history previously acknowledged and presented under "Breed History" by William Haynes stating the club was organized in 1901.
- 5) Have discovered the fact that Mrs. Jack Brazier was Past President for the years 1900, 1901 and 1902.
- 6) Have discovered that Mr. James L. Little was Past President 1903. 1904 through 1914 remains unknown.
- 7) Received article from Pam Williams noting early presidents of STCA.
- 8) Have received from Bill Berry a donation of over 700 cards, which I am in the process of scanning up to the website – 100 uploaded to date. *A work in progress. Will remain an open item.*
- 9) As Historian Facebook Team Member have started Bill Berry Treasures, which is posting one card per week on STCA Facebook page and directing it back to the library for readers' enjoyment. *A work in progress.*
- 10) Have scanned Annual Awards pamphlets on loan to me by Charla Hill and uploaded to the website library.
- 11) Having received permission from Craig Savino, AKC librarian, to use/reproduce information in AKC Kennel Gazettes, I have been going through them collecting information and have scanned some articles to the website. *A work in process. Will remain an open item.*
- 12) Have started working as historian on STCA's Facebook page providing "Throwback Thursdays". Facebook shows a photo and directs the viewer back to the historian library on the website to find the answer of who is depicted. *Will remain an open item.*
- 13) Have met with Web Team – Reader for website decided not necessary as scanning procedure is working well. Closed Item.
- 14) Craig Savino, AKC librarian, sent me a box of old negatives donated to STCA by a professional photographer. I purchased a special scanner at my cost, and I was able to digitize them. I am working with Charla Hill to identify persons and dogs in the resulting photos. *A work in process.*
- 15) Muriel Lee has sent more items to me that will be scanned to the library as time permits.
- 16) Have purchased more books personally, for use in research. Two volumes, II, by Ash, and I 1926 have another approach to the beginnings of the Scottish Terrier. Will be scanning and uploading as time permits.

- 17) Have received from Muriel P. Lee her collection of Terrier Types to STCA. I will be scanning these in, as time permits. I have uploaded all of the Terrier Types (on loan from Charla) to the website, of which 100 + have been published to the public. To date there are 277 on the website. A work in process.
- 18) Paul Pruitt, Publisher/Owner Terrier Type Magazine given permission.
- 19) I have scanned all membership rosters to library for safekeeping, but have not made public.
- 20) To date there are 65 Bagpipers published on the website in the historian library. *A work in process.*
- 21) Have written and/or placed several articles on website in historian library, including more dog magazines, like Popular Dogs.
- 22) Have started adding AKC Gazette articles by Kathy Ferris. *An ongoing project.*
- 23) Have uploaded several articles by Muriel P. Lee to website. *An ongoing project.*
- 24) Wrote and received permission from editor, Damian Durio, of Dog World.co.UK an online publication to download from their website and upload their posts to STCA's website and have added some fine articles to the library.
- 25) Have purchased 1915 through 1918 Bulletins at a cost of \$500.00 to STCA, numbers one through fifteen with only number three missing. These are the very first handbooks ever published by STCA. Please know that in the last two years I have spent over \$3,800 of my own funds and have spent well over 2500 hours in donated time, and I feel this is a tremendous "find" for STCA.
- 26) Received 1922 Yearbook – first yearbook published by STCA – donated by Bill Berry.
- 27) Bill Berry is in the process of going through his handbooks and Bagpipers to lend me those which are missing from the website historian library for scanning and uploading.
- 28) Am working on a historical collection of breed standards and comments on same, written by different people, from 1900 forward from all the periodicals, magazines, books I've collected. *In process.*
- 29) Have purchased more magazines personally owned, for research: Popular Dogs, AKC Stud Books,
- 30) AKC Gazettes and Dog News and misc. books such as 1924 Field and Fancy Breeders' Yearbook
- 31) Have updated all Regional Club information to archive files as it comes in.
- 32) Fulfilling SOP. *Work in progress.*
- 33) Still avidly searching for Francis G. Lloyd (1926) winner.
- 34) Having received permission from Michael Krolewski to use any photos on his site – when historical photo library is started will use these. Also have requested old photos of Montgomery from Michael for Lori Kelly. *Open item.*
- 35) Have not received any materials for 2013/2014 from Mary O'Neal. Have heard from Mary O'Neal who has promised to send a box of catalogs from Montgomery. *Open item.*
- 36) Mary has also told me she has books that she will be donating to STCA when she is done with them. I did notify Mary of pedigree books uploaded to website.
- 37) I have contacted several older members in hopes of receiving some donations from them – letter for Juanita Walton was returned and phone number is out of service.
- 38) Have received AKC Titles and Performance records and archived for 2012 and 2013 and 2014 from Michael Krolewski. He will continue sending them to me as he receives them – *work in progress*
- 39) Expenditures: \$500.00 for Bulletins – see #20.
- 40) Am collecting information and creating a list of all National Rotating Specialties, BIS of same, where held, what year, including Judge's name, at Charla's suggestion. *In process.*
- 41) Lori has mentioned in Wrap-up to send catalogs to me. I will follow up by requesting the regional club rep to remind regional clubs to send them to the historian for the archives whenever communicating with them. *Will repeat request.*
- 42) I have backed up all scanned materials to DVD's/CD's and/or will place(d) in Archives. *A work in process.*
- 43) Plan to contact as many professional show photographers and request they donate their old negatives of Scottie shoots. (Have contacted a few with no results as of yet)
- 44) Michel DeGyves will provide photo of Barbara DeSaye project for Montgomery – placed in archives.
- 45) Have created PowerPoint presentation from negatives received from AKC archives for Montgomery historian table display. *This has been placed in archives.*
- 46) STCA slide collection received from Charla Hill, which I have been able to scan and digitize was turned over to Rhea Spence at MCKC to return to Charla. This collection is for seminar purposes only and not photos of dogs for presentation. Have scanned and stored on CD all 800 slides from slide show collection.
- 47) Have received Scottie Fact Sheet from M Dawson and also received rooming Manual from M Dawson at Montgomery for the archives.
- 48) Have purchased an ad in coming Roster for Historian to receive donated items from members- Thank you so much to the Board for comping me this ad!
- 49) Have mentioned to everyone I speak to for any reason to please do not throw out – donate! And am having success. Have been informed of two persons so far who are taking steps to not let this happen.
- 50) Created Westminster section. *Work in progress.*
- 51) Created Eukanuba section. *Work in progress.*
- 52) Created Crufts Section. *Work in progress.*
- 53) Created Francis G. Lloyd section and uploaded photos from 1921 through 2012.
- 54) Have scanned in Hand Books for 1922, 1959, 1965, 1974 Supplemental, 1972, 1986-1990, 1991, 2002-2006, 1986-2001 – work in progress.
- 55) Have started a mock handbook collecting information/data and compiling it there.
- 56) Started section in Historian Library for compilation of Regional Club newsletters. Due to copyright issues and some club's having minutes included, etc., I made the decision to remove this section from the library. I feel it is a shame that this section will not be available, as it would have made a wonderful bit of history as to what the Regional Clubs actually do and who their members are, but, again, this is too sensitive an issue.
- 57) Everything is on hold until the migration is performed. I am not sure how the links will hold up and do not wish to redo things.

Junior Showmanship/PAWS – SueAnnette Maniscalco Chair, (Liaison, Pat Wooster)

- The PAWS for Juniors network raises money for Grants and Scholarships to benefit young members of the STCA that show their Scotties in Junior Showmanship, Breed, and Performance events. We keep our members informed about Junior Clinics around the country so they can improve their skills.

- We have a raffle each year to fund the Scholarships and Grants. Last year's raffle raised more \$1000. We rarely have expenditures as so much of the necessary supplies for our raffles are donated. This year's raffle that will raise money is for 1st prize a \$350 airline (your choice) voucher and for 2nd prize a Giuseppe Armani figurine (Eloise valued at \$199 donated by a member).

- As of February the Grant and Scholarship applications found on the STCA website have been updated. We are currently working on updating the information contained for PAWS on the website. We are expecting to have applications coming through as two of our young members have aged out of Junior Showmanship and are going to college. The STCA treasury has over \$6500 in money raised by PAWS.

Breed Education –Kathi Brown, Chair (Liaison, Kelli Edell)

Judges Education – Kathi Brown & Tom Hossfeld, Member Education – Kathi Brown & Kari Hill

No written report. Kathi has asked that the President report to you that she is re-writing the information for the newly revised AKC web site, under the direction of Chris Walker, which contained misinformation. She is working with him to change photos and description to be similar to the wording and photos used in the most recent edition of the AKC Dog Book on breeds. Also, that the scheduled grooming workshop at the Rotating will involve breed education for members and focus on the standard also as it is applied to the grooming process.

Legislation – Lisa Hills, Chair; Liz Lufrano, Nancy Hurren.

The Committee receives State-by-State AKC Legislative Alerts and emails a bill summary and action item to all STCA members in the affected State.

Both Nancy Hurren and Liz Lufrano are writing future Bagpiper articles regarding how legislation affects Scottish Terrier owners. There is always work to be done on the legislative front, and our committee seeks volunteers interested in legislative issues. If you are interested, please contact me at kinross@mac.com

Membership – Kelli Edell, Chair; Helen Prince, Pam Williams.

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Pending Membership Applications:

As of March 14, 2015 there are applications pending that represent 13 new members:

- 9 new applicants that will be published in Bagpiper #1 and will be voted on 8 weeks from the mailing date of that issue (3 individual and 3 family memberships);
- 2 new applicants that will be published in Bagpiper #2 for 2015 (2 individual memberships); and
- 2 applicants (2 individual memberships) whose applications are incomplete at this time.

STCA New Member Applicants 2015 #1

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Incomplete Applications:

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All applicants have received ongoing communication regarding the status and evolution of their applications. No negative feedback has been received on any applicant to date.

Susan Lilly, CEO of the Canine health Foundation (CHF) has Scotties and indicated that she would like to join the STCA.

Obedience and Rally - Mary Helen Rice (*Liaison, Jeff Waite*)

No written report

Pedigrees and ROM - Mary O'Neal (*Liaison, Steve Russell*)

Public Information and Education – Kathy Vogt (*Liaison, Charla Hill*).

No written report. There was a problem in that Michael Krolewski, who receives the new champion reports from AKC from Mary O-Neal, did not get the last 6 months until this months. He contacted the AKC and had them sent, and only forwarded them several weeks ago. Kathy has said that she will be sending letters of congratulations to non-members with club trifold and information this month. She will be attending as many regional events as possible.

Regional Clubs – Lori Kelly

- Regional Club Delegates to the STCA last met Thurs., Oct. 2, 2014. I would like this group to meet during Rotating weekend in June. Notice of a meeting was not included in the information packet, as I need to carve out 30 minutes from an already busy schedule. I am presently working on finding a time and ascertain who of the 20 regional clubs may be represented. In the absence of meeting at Rotating, a late spring telephone conference may be in order, followed by a meeting in October '15. Notice will be sent to Delegates.

- The STCA continues to support the regional clubs with advertising in each of the 20 regional club specialty show catalogs. As of 2/20/15 ads are placed on behalf of the STCA celebrating the following club specialties: HASTC, STCGD, STCGD, STCGNY. Pending: STC Greater Pittsburgh, STCNE, WSSTC, STC Chicago, STCC. Regional clubs are also offered free ½ page, b&w ads to promote their annual specialties. I recommend we continue to offer ad space to clubs.

- Recommendations: Parent Club needs to continue to be mindful of membership both at the regional and parent club levels. Support regionals wherever possible with educational activities (i.e., HTF), public information support (I sent each delegate the AKC template for press releases) and membership recruitment (including juniors). Board members should attend and be present at regional club specialties and help wherever they can. More importantly, this board needs to take the lead to remind clubs of their role as a regional club and the relationship between the Parent and Regional Club. I believe we are in this together!

- Recommended budget for 2015: \$575 for STCA ads in specialty catalogs.

RECOMMENDATION: Complete list of officers/directors and membership roster along with C&BL (revisions if noted) should be sent to STCA Corresponding Secretary no later than STCA Annual Dinner meeting. Once she receives the info, their Bred By Medallions will be sent for that next year. **Motion: Regional Clubs are required to send a copy of their current Officers, Directors & membership roster to the Corresponding Secretary before they are sent Bred-By Medallions for their Annual Specialties: Prince/Edell. Passed unanimously.**

Rescue Trust - Erica Cerny & Jeanne Lishia, Co-Chairs; Linda Hill, Treasurer; Barbara Ljunggren, Jeff Waite, Sec.

QUARTER 1 2015. The RTF did not have any grant requests for Q1 2015.

The treasurer's detailed report has been sent separately. The balance in the RTF account is approximately \$23,000. We have spent time this quarter sending out acknowledgement letters for the donations that came in with membership renewal dues. Our secretary reports that he was about halfway through them at our last discussion. There was an additional \$340 in donations that came in with later membership renewals for this quarter.

All grants information and meeting notes from the last quarter were sent to the web team to post, as requested by the board.

We are just reporting for the Rescue Trust, so nothing will be discussed about Scottie Rescue activities around the country.

Notes from the last Meeting of the RTF 1/14/2015. Meeting convened at 7:00 PM EST We waited about 10 minutes for Jeffrey to join and then started without him. We believe he was traveling this evening. Erica to take notes.

Treasurer's Report Quarter 4 2014

Linda Hill prepared a treasurer's report for Q4 which will be sent to the Bagpiper for inclusion in the next issue. We went over the report in detail (may be a minor adjustment depending on whether PayPal transfer went through on upcoming statement) Starting balance \$27,103.59 Deposits of \$1,590.00 Debits of \$5,687.76 Ending balance \$23,005.83

Detailed breakdown will be listed in the Bagpiper with the full report. There were 5 requests for financial assistance in Q4. A summary of who was helped will go to the Bagpiper and Web team as requested by STCA board letter.

RTF Old Business from Conf call:

Waiting for check from Rhea for the RTF for donations from the membership dues renewal period. Still in grace period for renewals, so there may be updates. Appears we raised approx \$ 4, 000 from the membership for the RTF. Treasurer just received copies of the membership forms with donations from Rhea that contained RTF donations and they will be used to send out acknowledgements. Linda to mail them to Jeffrey, who will be sending those out

New Business: Erica to email Jeffrey to ask status of donation acknowledgement letters and compiled list of donations for the upcoming Bagpiper.

Jeffrey to email notes from last RTF meeting and Erica to email this one to the Bagpiper and Web team for posting, as requested by the STCA board letter. Barbara/Jeanne - lower than usual number of rescues for this time of year reported in certain geographic areas. Erica - STCGNY Rescue has 7 Scotties in their rescue program currently but applicants are still holding out for younger dogs or dogs with no issues. Erica - Discussed changes in rescue coverage in one territory and possible formation of a new Scottie rescue organization in our network. Jeanne/Erica - No pending requests for financial assistance for the RTF at this time. Meeting adjourned at 7:30 PM EST Submitted by Erica Cerny

RTF Treasurer's Report Quarter 1 2015 January 1, 2015 – March 10, 2015 Linda L. Hill, RTF Treasurer

Beginning Balance

\$23,005.83

Plus Deposits:		\$340.00
Donations received direct by Treasurer	\$200.00	
\$150.00 deposited 1/29/15		
\$50.00 deposited 3/10/15		
Donations made through PayPal	\$140.00	
January 1, 2015 – March 10, 2015		
(\$20.00 1/13/15; \$50.00 2/05/15;		
\$50.00 2/13/15; \$20.00 2/13/15)		
Less Expenses:		\$4.28
PayPal Transaction Fees	(\$4.28)	
(\$0.74 1/13/15; \$1.40 2/05/15; \$1.40 2/13/15;		
\$0.74 2/13/15)		
Ending Balance:		\$23,341.55
Bank of America account balance	\$22,978.10	
PayPal account balance	<u> \$363.45</u>	
	\$23,341.55	

Rescue - STCA Constitution (Article I) spells out name & options of the club. Briefly 1) quality Breeding 2) encourage local specialty clubs 3) standard as only way to judge excellence 4) protect and advance interests of breed & good sportsmanship 5) conduct AKC sanctioned matches & specialties. Nothing in By-Laws about club intervening in disputes between individuals except when charges are brought by one member to another member for "*alleged misconduct prejudicial to the best interest of the Club or the Breed*" (Article IV Discipline). By-Laws state in Article X: the club operates in this order: 1) by the Law of the Land, 2) by the Constitution and By-Laws 3) by written policy 4) by Robert's Rules of Order.

Actions to date:

- 1) Rescue Committee dissolved. Coordinators no longer exist.
- 2) Placed Rescue disclaimer at the website
- 3) Rescue Trust document under review by STCA attorney for amendment.
- 4) STCA attorney legal opinion received: RTF Co-chair Lishia action taken under M.A.S.T.E.R. is not related to the RTF (Rescue Trust Fund), which is considered as a legally separate charity.
- 5) Cost of attorney to date - \$660.00
- 6) Letter from Attorney Hyman representing Bowman –no charges filed against STCA to date, but asking for \$1,500 from STCA. No monies have been paid out.
- 7) Ad Hoc Committee: Helen Prince and April Greene revised and submitted rescue wording at STCA website for addition to be posted as soon as possible.
- 8) Lawyer has written a Hold Harmless Agreement that independent rescue groups need to sign before being listed at the STCA web site reference list.

Rescue Trust - Erica Cerny & Jeanne Lishia, Co-Chairs; Linda Hill, Treas.; Barbara Ljunggren, Jeff Waite, Sec. RTF had no grant requests for Q1 2015. All grant information and meeting notes from the last quarter 2014 sent to the web team to post, as Board requested. Grant information needs to be sent to the organization listed on the website. RTF Treasurer's Report January 1, 2015 – March 10, 2015 Beginning Balance \$23,005.83 Plus Deposits: \$340.00 Less Expenses \$4.28 Ending Balance: \$23,341.55

SOP's and Documents- Helen Prince, Chair; Lori Kelly, Charla Hill
SOPs must be updated with By-Law revisions as voted by members.

Standard Committee – Merle Taylor, Chair; Kathi Brown, Kathy Ferris, Darle Heck, & Tom Hossfeld.

Committee meets approximately every 6 weeks by conference call. Minutes of these meetings posted to the STCA web site.

Sunshine- Charlene Gann.

Sent the following cards

Mr. Eggert-Speedy recovery 1/2/15

Linda Tubbs Bell-Thinking of you and feel better soon-1/18/15

Kirk Family-Sympathy-1/18/15

Barbara Kiddle-Speedy recover-1/18/15

Joanne Orth-speedy recovery-1/20/15

Kathy Ferris-Speedy recovery-1/21/15

The Branzell Family-Sympathy-1/20/15

Arlene Brice-Speedy recovery-2/2/15

Rebecca Cross-Congratulations BIS Crufts 3/12/15

Carmen Thompson-continued recovery 3/12/15

Deb Brookes-continued recover/thinking of you. 3/12/15

Trophies – Peggy Browne, National Chair

A \$200 deposit was sent to June Lusty for the 2015 STCA Rotating trophies.

Awaiting the quote from Wendell Forge for the 2015 Montgomery County trophies

Hand written letters are prepared to mail to the significant donors from last year requesting trophy donations. Personal e-mails are being sent to all other previous donors. Trophy donation information was included in the 2015 STCA Rotating packet.

Ways and Means – Lori Kelly

Ways & Means continues to generate income, however on an annual basis overall income has declined. Presently, our only physical venue for sales is at National Sweepstakes in October. Sales do continue through the STCA online Shoppe. Special on-line holiday pricing had generated an uptick of sales on the website.

- With costs for travel, entries, etc. we need to continue to be mindful of product value and affordability of items offered to fanciers of the breed; the majority of our product offerings are breed and club specific.

- Following the "call for volunteers" during the 2015 dues renewals process, Ann Davis and Theresa Stewart, two extremely talented STCA members, volunteered to assist me in offering handcrafted and useful items and a possible raffle item for 2015.

- Recommendations for 2015 (January through October 2015):

- Generate increased traffic to the STCA online Shoppe. We rely upon online sales for additional annual revenue. Shoppe site is static.
- Create opportunities for special pricing (at STCA Shoppe) to move inventory.
 - Send out a postcard mailing (postcards, printing and postage donated) to reach members who do not frequent the STCA website or do not use the Internet.
 - Offer 15% discount valid at Sweepstakes. Offer a coupon to be included in MCKC week info packet to be redeemed in person at Sweepstakes.
- Contact regional club show chairs to offer non-STCA logo items at cost for prizes and/or judge's gifts. STCGA will be taking advantage of great pricing for their specialty and judges' gifts.
- Continue to use Ways & Means inventory for Rotating Judges' and MCKC week Agility gifts.
- Create and offer a limited number of hand-made items, which seem to sell quite well at Sweepstakes. Labor and materials to be donated in '15. Work underway.
- Identify a product to commemorate STCA's 115th Anniversary.
- Identify a new chairperson to coordinate all aspects of Ways & Means for 2015-16: selection and production of items, manage online Shoppe and fulfillment, advertising, attend, organize volunteers and sales at Montgomery/Sweepstakes and all responsibilities as outlined in the SOP, which needs revision for 2015-16.

Proposal, budget and implementation of recommendations to be presented on March 29 during winter board meeting.

Motion: to approve a budget of \$2000.00.Greene/Burge. Passed unanimously

Web Technology - Bob Gann, Chair; Michael Krolewski, & Herschal Hill (*Liaison, Steve Russell*)

Ongoing Operations:

- The STCA website continues to operate in a **stable steady state** with no outages occurring during the period.
- The STCA website remains an integral part of our operations:
 - **Usage** decreased slightly from ~1 million hits per month, but remained high in 2014, at just over 9 million hits (~¾ million hits per month). Usage peaks around Membership Renewal.
 - The most popular pages are RESCUE and BREEDER.
 - **STCA News!** Broadcast emails are being used to communicate with members such as through the Wrap-Up newsletter (170 in 4+ years or ~3 per month).
 - **PayPal** is being used to collect Club revenue for memberships, Shoppe ways & means sales, etc. Online financial processing has increased annually to \$65,000 in 2014 and totals nearly \$1/4 million over the past 4+ years.
 - **Rescue** supported by sending 2,277 applications to Rescue contacts around the USA to facilitate communications over the past 4+ years (555/year).

Normal Maintenance

- **Feedback** is used to maintain currency and accuracy of Club records on the STCA website. Over 1875 Feedbacks have been taken care of in the past 4+ years (~36 per month or a bit more than 1 per day).
- **Routine maintenance** handled during the period included:
 - Montgomery National Specialty 2014 shut down (under SHOW section).
 - Membership Renewal 2015 worked October 2014-January 2015.
 - Rotating Specialty 2015 prepared on the website (under SHOW section).
 - Historian Library added 5Gb storage with Rothen Hosting Services to accommodate additional historical materials (under BREED section).
 - Annual Awards completed the 3rd full year (2012-2014) of monthly online tracking (under SHOW section). Ewing Owner Handler Award added in 2015.

Enhancements

- **Software Upgrade.** Work is underway to upgrade the underlying STCA website software to Joomla v3. It has taken longer than expected to finalize the template and replace plug-in software that did not upgrade to the newer version of Joomla while maintaining ongoing operations. Work is being done in parallel with the live site and is targeted to cutover within a month (April 2015).
 - Bob selected a new Template and is finalizing the layout of the menu structure.
 - Mike K completed the new "contacts" software, which is an integral part of our operations.
 - Work remains on rebuilding Fabrik Forms (online forms) and testing the new site before cutover.
- **Pedigree Photos.** Researched, determined how to insert photos in existing Alfin software/database from Mary O'Neal, set specifications for photo size, and tested examples. Mike K is working with Janet Tomlinson (Historian). Next step, adding trial photos. Plan Board access before publicizing to the broader membership.
- **Standards Blog.** Request pending from the Standards Committee to setup an online Blog for discussion of standards and any proposed changes. Waiting for Kathi Brown to provide specifications.

New Business

1. **Email** – Position emails have been created for officers and some key committees. Need Board to use these email either directly or by forwarding to their personal email. This sets up direct contact versus through Feedback. Also, provides historical archiving of club records. There has been some reluctance due to dual maintenance of club and personal email.
2. **Roster** – Need Board to endorse website as single, secure, online storage of the Club's Roster, not multiple offline Excel spreadsheets. Steps: First, use a copy internally (such as STCA News!) as we are doing. Second, Recording Secretary (plus, Treasurer and Membership?) edit and maintain online. Third, introduce "Members Only" section for lookup and limited editing of contact information.
3. **Rescue** – Section was thrown into turmoil with recent incident. Need Board to understand that the STCA Website supports Rescue by providing a list of contacts by geography and sending prospect adopters to those Rescue contacts at a rate of more than 500 per year consistent with RTF objectives. Need to complete applicable legal revision, but not "throw the baby out with the bath water". Discussed with Helen.

4. **Content** – Need renewed ownership of Sections and sub-sections by officers and committee chairs. Some information is maintained well while other sections have become stale and are no longer current. Occasionally, Feedbacks criticize the Web Committee. It's not the Web Committee's job to police and maintain detail content.
5. **Pedigree** – Problem with timely maintenance. Pedigree has not been updated since June 2014. Need to stop single threading Pedigree maintenance through Mary O'Neal. I have spoken with her multiple times. She planned post-Montgomery and year-end updates, which did not occur due to her personal conflicts and repeated health issues. It would be a win-win to train a backup who could eventually takeover from Mary, but Mary has been reluctant to relinquish control.

Staffing

- The Web Committee consists of Bob Gann, Mike Krolewski, Herschal Hall, and Steve Russell (liaison). The team is under staffed with the recent resignation of Mike Bohl due to business constraints. We need to add 1-2 members. Any volunteers? Janet Tomlinson has volunteered

WrapUp – On line Newsletter, Lori Kelly, Editor

The STCA's electronic newsletter continues to offer members regional and parent club news from coast to coast. Health Trust, Rescue Trust, Legislation, Club Historian, Ways & Means, and Juniors chairpersons are encouraged to provide content for each edition.

Health Tips, written and submitted by the STCA HTF, with interesting and helpful topics for our readers will be a regular feature, beginning in January 2015. The Feb. 13 edition featured Dental Care.

I plan to evaluate the number of "hits" to the publication to determine if a 6 week frequency is appropriate.

Next deadline: 3/23/15 for publication 3/31/15.

This is a cost effective means of communication. Publication does not require funding from STCA.

Montgomery Weekend Show Chair VP, Lori Kelly

Catalog Advertising and Information – Debi Russell. (*Liaison, Lori Kelly*)

Banquet Reservations – Janet Tomlinson. (*Liaison, Lori Kelly*)

Support Team - (*Liaison, Lori Kelly*)

Charley Cornman, Chair.

Trophy Engraving, Cliff Schultz

Ring Decorations, Dan and April Green.

Judge's Gifts, Lori Kelly.

Old Business

Grooming Manuals – Motion: to table until the Rotating Meeting in June. Edell/Wooster. Passed

New Business

New Business

Judge Selection for 2017-18 - A list of judges were reviewed and final selection will be made at the Rotating.

Motion: to establish a committee to develop ideas for educational materials. Burge/Prince. Passed unanimously.

Jerry Burge, Chair

Consensus to enter into Executive Session at 3:43 PM EST

Motion: to adjourn at 4:21 PM EST. Kelly/Williams. Passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by Recording Secretary, Theresa Thomas