



**Archive Minutes**  
**The Scottish Terrier Club of America, Inc.**  
**Emergency Meeting of the Officers and Directors**  
**Monday February 6, 2017**  
**8:33 PM – 8:56 PM**

**PRESENT:** President, Lori Kelly; Vice President, Pam Williams, Recording Secretary, Kathleen Ferris, Corresponding Secretary, Theresa Thomas; Treasurer, Steve Russell; Directors, AKC Delegate, Helen Prince, Directors: Class of 2017: Kelli Edell, Class of 2018: Peggy Browne, Jerry Burge, Ron McConnell, Pat Wooster.

**Absent:** Ex-Officio, John McNabney, Rose Shacklett, Elizabeth Wise

Roll Call

Recording Secretary

Meeting called to order at 8:33 pm

Welcome

President

Lori thanked all for attending on short notice.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Recording Secretary

- January 18, 2017 minutes approved as distributed

New Business

- Directors, Class of 2017

President

The purpose of this meeting was to accept resignations. Emails were received by Theresa and Lori within hours of each other on Jan. 24, 2017, one from Elizabeth Wise in an email at 6:14 p.m. and one from Rose Shacklett at 8:43 p.m. Board was informed upon receipt of both.

Lori went on record indicating that as she has done since taking office, she called each board member for individual reflections on club how meetings were going, including Elizabeth and Rose – just two weeks prior. There were no indications of impending resignations.

Lori offered comments on her follow up telephone call with Elizabeth after receipt of resignation by email including her regrets that Elizabeth would not be continuing. Lori questioned that some of Elizabeth's comments were perhaps misguided. She stated that she was unhappy that the Board did nothing to address a challenge made by Michael Bishop PhD back in October. Lori reminded her that in fact, Elizabeth was on the teleconference where she and fellow board members approved the ad hoc committee for a strategic planning committee. Elizabeth claimed she did not remember, and then did recall. Lori suggested to Elizabeth that there were no issues on the health clinic, just question of funding, discussed under John's watch. As of this evening no hard copy of her resignation was received.

**Motion to accept the resignation of Elizabeth Wise. Williams/Edell. Passed unanimously**

Lori informed the Board that within hours of receiving Liz's resignation, she received an email from Rose who expressed dissatisfaction with movement on RTF. Just 2 weeks prior, they had a discussion about the RTF ad hoc committee. They agreed the board needed to talk about it. Lori was pleased with Rose's participation and input. In fact Lori and Rose collaborated on upcoming Montgomery 2017. Lori did send an email back to Rose on same evening of receipt of email and telephoned next day, but never received a return response. Helen was surprised about Rose's reaction to the RTF because she and Rose had discussed it. The rescue discussion was tabled

on Oct. 5, 2016 under John's watch until Rotating. Lori indicated in her email to Rose that she could have taken it off the table sooner. Hard copy of letter was received on Jan. 28 via USPS.

The Board held discussion on the resignations. It was commonly felt that we all make sacrifices, willingly, to serve the club but do not quit. Peggy Browne expressed disappointment in both women, simply quitting as she thought they had offered some good points and work. She was saddened that they were not going to see it through.

**Motion to accept the resignation of Rose Shacklett. Williams/Thomas. Passed unanimously**

Lori read the CB&L on procedures to fill vacancies. She asked that the Board please consider qualified candidates to fill these vacancies at the March meeting.

**Motion to move into Executive Session at 8:48 pm to discuss a possible application that had been submitted. Prince/Thomas. Passed unanimously.**

**Motion to leave Executive Session at 8:54 pm. Ferris/Prince. Passed unanimously**

Agenda for 2/15 will be out by 2/8/17.

Next Meeting – Wed., Feb. 15 – 8:30 p.m. ET

Motion to adjourn at 8:56 pm. Wooster/Williams. Passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted – Kathleen Ferris, Recording Secretary

**From:** Pwise <[elizabeth@gbis.com](mailto:elizabeth@gbis.com)>  
**Subject:** My Resignation  
**Date:** January 24, 2017 at 6:14:47 PM EST  
**To:** <[Lpkel@aol.com](mailto:Lpkel@aol.com)>, <[kayleeti@sbcglobal.net](mailto:kayleeti@sbcglobal.net)>

January 24, 2017

To The Board Members of STCA:

After months, weeks and days of consideration and consultation with family and friends I have made the decision to submit my resignation from the STCA Board effective today. This resignation also includes any assignments I now have. I will maintain my membership and continue my work for the Breed in my home community.

I was extremely proud to have been nominated and then elected by the membership to serve on the Board. I looked forward to being able to influence and have a part in doing some very important things for the Scottish Terrier. But much to my dismay there was no opportunity to do anything for the dogs. All this Board has done since I have been on the Board is plan activities to raise money for the Treasury, work on awards, trophies, and shows. What have we done in the last couple of years for the breed that is slowly disappearing that fulfills our commitment to the membership that we will work to protect and preserve the Scottish Terrier? At the Round Table last October we had a valuable discussion on "Where Have All The Scotties Gone?" Dr. Bishop, a member of the Health Trust and an internationally recognized genealogist, challenged the Board members to do something, or sit back and watch the breed disappear. We have done nothing. Not even a discussion or acknowledgement of the challenge.

I tried to do something for the Breed with the Heath Clinic last June, but after getting permission from the Board to do the clinic, and running it successfully, that effort was controversial.

Lori does not want to look back at some of the really despicable things that went on last year with the Board. But in order to make changes looking back is the only way positive changes can be made.

I cannot justify the time, effort, and finances to attend meetings where only making money for the Treasury is important. I made a commitment to the members who voted for me to sit on the Board to do all I could for the Breed. There has been no opportunity to do that, so therefore I must resign.

Sincerely, and with regret,

Elizabeth C. Wise

January 24, 2017

STCA Board Members,

I am officially resigning my position as a board member as of today's date (1/24, 2017). I had given myself until the first of the year to enact some changes that the membership elected me to do. As the Ad Hoc Committee presented changes to the Rescue Trust Fund, I was hopeful that some salient changes would be soon underway. In October the board decided to table the Ad Hoc committees work; therefore, no changes will be made until April at the earliest if then.

Please remove me from committees that I have been assigned to and any duties that pertain to the board. I will retain my STCA membership, but that is all.

Sincerely,  
Rose M. Shacklett