



The Scottish Terrier Club of America, Inc.
Meeting of the Officers and Directors
July 16, 2025
via Zoom

PRESENT:

✓	Pam Williams, President	✓	Theresa Thomas, Corres. Sec.
✓	Ann Davis, Vice President	✓	Kathleen Dunleavy, Rec. Sec.
✓	Steve Russell Treasurer	✓	Helen Prince, AKC Delegate
✓	Danica Burge, Class of 2025	✓	Susan Jacobsen, Class of 2026
✓	Christine O'Brien, Class of 2025	✓	Jeff Jones, Class of 2026
✓	Suzanna Mackey, Class of 2025	✓	Lisa Kincheloe, Class of 2026
✓	Dee Smith, Class of 2025	✓	Amy Pelle, Class of 2026

ABSENT: None

GUESTS: None

Welcome: Called to order at 8:35 PM ET

Pam Williams

- Pam Williams announced that the next Board meeting will be Wednesday, August 20, 2025, at 8:30PM ET. There will be no Board meeting in September due to the Board meetings during Montgomery week. Pam advised Board members to review the SOPs for any Committees that they chair in preparation for the October board meetings.

Report of the Secretaries

Recording

Kathleen Dunleavy

- Kathleen presented the minutes from the June 18, 2025, Board meeting Regular Session. There were no changes or edits.

Motion: To approve the minutes from the June 18, 2025, Board meeting Regular Session. APelle moved and HPrince seconded. Passed unanimously.

- Kathleen reported that she did not receive any additional nominations for the slate of STCA Officers and Directors before the July 15, 2025, deadline, according to Article IV, Section 4(b) of the STCA Constitution and Bylaws. The slate of candidates for Officers and Members of the Board of Directors for 2025-2026 is as follows:
Officers:
President: Pam Williams, Ohio
Vice President: Ann Davis, Maine
Corresponding Secretary: Amy Pelle, New York
Recording Secretary: Kathleen Dunleavy, Maryland
Treasurer: Steve Russell, Illinois
AKC Delegate: Helen Prince, Maryland

Directors – Class of 2026 (Not for Re-election)
Susan Jacobsen, Minnesota
Jeff Jones, Kansas
Lisa Kincheloe, Texas
Christine O'Brien, Iowa (nominated to fill Amy Pelle's 2nd year term)

Directors – Class of 2027
Danica Burge, California
Sheila-Faith Barry, Florida
Suzanna Mackey, Georgia
Theresa Stewart, Oklahoma

- Kathleen stated that the 2025-2027 STCA Membership Roster contents are still under review and will be sent to the printer in a final edition by July 31, 2025

Corresponding

Theresa Kay Thomas

- Theresa reported that the STC of Louisville requested their designated, annual specialty show on March 14, 2026. Polly Smith is proposed as the judge.

Motion: To approve the STC of Louisville's request to hold their designated, annual specialty show on March 14, 2026. SRussell moved and SMackey seconded. Passed Unanimously

- Theresa stated that she contacted the Greater Baltimore, Greater Washington, DC, New York, New England and Pittsburgh STC Clubs about the 2027 Rotating Specialty. None of the clubs were interested in hosting the 2027 Rotating Specialty. Theresa will send inquiries to STCA regional clubs in the Southeastern states.
- Helen Prince asked Theresa if she would check the number of Bred by Exhibitor (BBE) medallions that she has. Helen will bring all BBE in her possession to Montgomery. Helen added that she has the 25-year pins, and the 50-year pins are in process.

Treasurer's Report to Board July 2025

Steve Russell

Financial Reports (June)

I have closed the books for the month of June, reconciled the accounts, and produced the STCA Statement of Financial Position (Balance Sheet) and Statement of Financial Activities (Profit & Loss) for the month and year-to-date. The reports have been attached, posted to the Board list, and uploaded to the STCA website.

There is a lull in financial transactions this time of year prior to the Montgomery startup. At mid-year, the Club continues to operate at a loss as expenses exceeded income. For the month of June, there was a **Net Ordinary Income loss of -\$19,341** and **Net Income loss of -\$18,905** which brought the total **YTD Net Income loss to -\$21,199**. The Club's **Balance Sheet Net Assets** have fallen below \$1/2 million and **now stand at \$480,399**.

Listed below are the accounts with income and expense over ~\$500 this month.

Income

\$ 450 – 125th Anniversary Handbook (total to-date \$15,491)

Expense

-\$ 8,952 - Bagpiper 2025#2 (partial)

-\$ 6,906 - Rotating 2025 (STCC Settlement, total \$16,026)

-\$ 1,782 – COGS Grooming Inventory (reconciled to actual)

- \$ 2,163 – Shoppe (new inventory for Montgomery)
- \$ 500 – Rotating 2026 (Hotel Deposit, partial)

Notes:

- **2025 Rotating Specialty** – Final. We received invoices and receipts for expenses from the STC of California. The show cost STCA **-\$16,026** with a loss of **-\$8,042**. The loss was largely driven by the cost of Fairgrounds facilities for a standalone show and the lack of money-making activities to offset expenses. This compares to an average loss of **-\$11,567** for the last 3 Rotating Specialties in Piedmont, Tampa (Ocala), and Ventura.
- **Operating Expenses** – Cash on hand in the Bank of America Checking Account had fallen to \$1,292 which is below the \$15,000 required minimum balance. This necessitated transferring \$20,000 from the Stifel Investment Account to the Checking Account to cover operating expenses and build the balance back up.
- **Roster** – We're working with Kathleen Dunleavy. This is an outstanding liability. PrintCo Graphics has been contracted to print the next Roster. The Club owes them about \$3,000 once published.
- **Shoppe** – Began selling 125th Anniversary merchandise through a third party, LogoWearHouse. STCA will realize 10% profit on sales. Began selling 2025 125th Anniversary commemorative pins through the STCA website Shoppe. Grooming inventory was restated for actual on hand of 35 manuals and 42 videos.

Old Business

Montgomery 2025 Update

- Ann Davis reported that the Montgomery Week Information Packet is complete and on the STCA website. Three vendors have requested space at the host hotel. Marcia Dawson has requested space for the STCA Health Trust Fund. She may be able to share space with Steve Russell, STCA Treasurer. Christine from RAU will send a contract for plastic flooring at the host hotel by the end of this week. Dr. Dan and April Green will decorate the Scottish Terrier ring at Montgomery again this year. Amy Pelle will manage the Hospitality tent at Montgomery this year. Kathleen Dunleavy has decorations and service items for the Hospitality tent. Kathleen Dunleavy reviewed the 125th Anniversary plans which include a Silent Auction, slide show, decorations, table favors, photo booth and commemorative merchandise. MB-F will supply the ribbons for Thursday's IPS and Friday's Sweepstakes. Ribbons for the STCA specialty (Monty) have been ordered from Best in Show in California.

Rotating Specialty 2026 – Heart of America Host

- Rotating Specialty judge will be Al Ferrugiario. Ann Davis will submit the AKC application for our designated specialty in conjunction with Belle-City Kennel Club on Saturday, February 28th.
- Susan Jacobsen reported that "BBQ" will be the Rotating Specialty's theme due to its proximity to St. Louis. Cheryl Schaeffer will make BBQ themed centerpieces for the Montgomery dinner on Friday. The Heart of America STC will be selling raffle tickets to support the Rotating during Montgomery week. Christine O'Brien and Susan Jacobsen, STCA Trophy chairs, suggested that the STCA and the Heart of America STC coordinate the selection of trophies for the Rotating Specialty. The HOA STC is donating a BBQ themed basket for the Montgomery Silent auction. The STCA Rotating Specialty information will be posted on the STCA website after the Montgomery weekend information is removed (around first of November). There will be a Rotating Specialty ad in the Bagpiper with a 'Save the Date' notice. The STCA Rotating Specialty will be part of the Belle City Cluster. HOA will host their show on Friday, February 27th.

The schedule for the 2026 Rotating Specialty includes:
Thursday: STCA Board Meeting, HOA STC Hospitality.

Friday: HOA Specialty, Community Event (possibly grooming demonstration, Health Trust topic, etc)
Saturday: STCA Specialty followed by STCA Banquet
Sunday: Belle-City KC All Breed show

YouTube Update

- Danica Burge reported that she created a YouTube channel for the STCA which will give the club another social media platform. Danica will be interviewing long-time Scottie breeders and then publish the videos via our Facebook page. She hopes to capture some videos for a "Road to Montgomery" series. Currently, Cindy Cooke, Kari Hill, Sandra Anderson and Christine Stephens have agreed to participate in a video. The videos will be launched on YouTube but can be shared on Facebook or via link to the STCA website or Instagram. Future plans include a panel discussion of breeders on topics of interest to Scottie exhibitors and fanciers.

New Business

STCA Performance Committee

- Pam Williams stated that she and Ann Davis had a Zoom session with the STCA Performance Committee consisting of Lynne Berry, Lisa Diffley and Linda White. The STCA recently approved a \$200 prize for the High-in-Trial at Palmyra, PA during Montgomery week. Lynne Berry suggested that the \$200 be divided as \$50 for each of the four High-in-Trials.

Motion: To increase to \$350 the budget for the Palmyra Agility trials for rosettes and prizes and a \$200 prize (total) for the Obedience and Rally High-in-Trial awards. ADavis moved and HPrince seconded. Passed Unanimously.

- Scottie performance events are active throughout each year and the trials at Palmyra (PA), Black and White (OH) and Connecticut all have their own trial committees. The STCA Performance Committee seeks volunteers to serve on its committee, especially from the Northeast, Western and Southern states.
- The Connecticut trials are scheduled for November 1 & 2, 2025 and will feature one trial each day.
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Motion: To provide a \$100 prize from the STCA for the Connecticut trials High-in-Trial to be divided in half for both days' awards.

- The Black and White Agility trials are scheduled for February 28 & March 1, 2026, in Cincinnati, OH for two days of trials.

Motion: To provide a \$100 prize from the STCA for the Black and White Agility trials High-in-Trial to be divided in half for both days' awards.

Bagpiper

- Pam Williams announced that Amy Collini will continue to serve as the Performance Sports editor for the Bagpiper magazine.
- Pam reported that the income from the Bagpiper is decreasing over time due to a lack of advertising, increasing postal rates, and printing costs. Pam suggested that we consider reducing the number of Bagpipers from four to three per year in 2026 and publish every four months instead of every three months. Steve Russell added that we don't have enough advertising revenue to offset non-revenue producing articles and features. Susan Jacobsen suggested that we offer a QR code survey about Bagpiper interest to generate ideas from STCA

membership and also get feedback about possible options. We should also share insights about the status of the Bagpiper with STCA membership in an article.

Motion: To adjourn the meeting at 10:00 PM. DSmith moved and ADavis seconded. Passed Unanimously.

There was no executive session during this meeting

Respectfully Submitted – Kathleen Dunleavy, Recording Secretary

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