

Minutes

The Scottish Terrier Club of America, Inc. Rotating Meeting of the Officers & Directors

Thursday, April 21, 2022 Baltimore Hunt Valley/Marriott Hotel, Hunt Valley, Maryland 8:30 AM – 4:00 PM EDT

PRESENT: President, Lori Kelly; Treasurer, Steve Russell; AKC Delegate, Helen Prince; Directors - Class of 2022; Ellen Avery, Lisa Hills, Ron McConnell, Pat Wooster: Class of 2023; Michael Krolewski,

VIA ZOOM: Recording Secretary, Richard Bumstead; Kelli Edell; Vice President, Kathy Ferris; Lisa Hills; Corresponding Secretary Theresa Thomas; Pam Williams

ABSENT: Bonnie Dalbey. LKelly received a letter of resignation from BDalbey the week prior to her passing.

Welcome: Called to order at 8:46am EDT Pres. Lori Kelly

Minutes: Approval of the March 20, 2022 Meeting Minutes. Stand as submitted.

Report of the President

Lori Kelly

LKelly wanted to thank everyone for being available for the meeting, either in person or via ZOOM, and thanked us for our continued service to the Club.

Report of the Secretaries:

Recording

Richard Bumstead

- Received all the ballots with one exception for membership approval. To be reviewed later.
- Worked with SRussell to update Bagpiper mailing list. Many errors were found in Bulk/First Class mailing designation.
- Discussion about eliminating the option between bulk and first-class postage. While we do need
 to replace some copies each issue, bulk mailing has just become unreliable.
- With the increased costs in paper, printing, and postage, it seems reasonable to make one class of domestic postage.

Motion: With the 2023 Membership renewal, due to the increased cost of business, all Bagpipers will be sent via first class postage for all members, and the Bulk option will no longer be available. RBumstead/EAvery. Passed unanimously.

Corresponding

Theresa Thomas

- Rotating Specialty Correspondence:
 - Received letters of interest for Rotating 2024 from the Scottish Terrier Club of Tampa Bay for an event in September.
 - The Scottish Terrier Club of Greater Dayton is also interested in hosting the 2024
 Rotating in March/April. They will submit a letter of intent shortly.
 - o Nothing has been received for the 2025 Rotating.
 - Washington State Scottish Terrier Club and San Francisco Bay Scottish Terrier Club are discussing possibly joining forces for 2025 to have a combined Specialty over 4 days, possibly as part of Woofstock.

- Formal proposals for Rotating 2024 are requested for board review during the Montgomery 2022 meeting.
- Request from Scottish Terrier Club of the Piedmont to hold 2 shows for 2022 in conjunction with the Furniture City Cluster on November 12 and 13.

Motion: To grant the Scottish Terrier Club of the Piedmont permission to hold a second show during their 2022 show. LHills/HPrince. Passed unanimously.

Motion: To go into Executive Session at 9:15 AM EDT to discuss Letter from San Francisco Bay Scottish Terrier Club PWooster/HPrince. Passed unanimously.

Motion: To leave Executive Session at 9:39 AM EDT KEdell/PWilliams Passed unanimously.

- Request from Scottish Terrier Club of Chicago for a \$500 Education Grant to host the upcoming Stud Dog Management Event.
 - Held on Friday Evening, June 17, the night before the STCC Specialty.
 - o Event is open to anyone with an intact AKC registered dog.
 - o Presentation and discussion of issues relating to management of a stud dog.
 - Dogs will be available for participants to go over individually, there will be no public critique of individual dogs.
 - Based upon a successful event held by the Beagle Club of America.
 - TThomas will distribute overall budget to the STCA Board.

Motion: To grant the Scottish Terrier Club of Chicago a \$500 Educational Grant to support their Stud Dog event held during their 2022 show. KEdell/RBumstead. 9 votes in favor, 3 against. Passed.

Treasurers Report

Steve Russell

- Ended the year in the black, with over \$500,000 in assets, with the Health Trust and the Rescue Trust holding another \$400,000 in assets. Club is in sound financial status.
- Small profits from the two specialties last year.
- Grooming manuals are still selling, though many to non-STCA members. Sales brought in about \$13,000 last year.
- Our investments brought in about \$9,000 in interest as well.
- Trophy donations were approximately \$8,000.
- Membership fees contribute \$28,000 a year, which are about 25% of club operations budget.
- Increasing financial support for performance/companion events, including the Black and White agility trials in Ohio, and the Terrier performance event in Pennsylvania during Montgomery County week.
- Discussion about instituting a late fee for lagging membership renewals as well as payments for ads. This will need to be further discussed and incorporated into the updating of the Constitution and By-Laws.
- Club is current on all tax filings, insurance payments, and bonding requirement for President and Treasurer.
- Audits are conducted every other year, and both the Health Trust and the Rescue Trust have requested audits of their accounts.

Motion: To approve the Scottish Terrier Club of America budget for 2022 as present by Steve Russell. RMcConnell/HPrince. Passed unanimously.

Vice President

Kathy Ferris

- Rotating 2022 Everything is set and ready to go.
- Rotating 2023 The Scottish Terrier Club of the Piedmont is working on having events next November 2023.
 - o The show will be held in conjunction with an all-breed show cluster.
 - There were numerous inquires regarding logistics of show site regarding a stand-alone facility for part of the time or being within the all-breed show facility. There was lengthy discussion on the three options presented to the group.

Motion: To approve the option for the Scottish Terrier Club of the Piedmont to hold both their Specialty and the STCA Rotating Specialty in the Garden Building on Friday and Saturday, and then move to the Education Building for the Sunday All Breed show. LHills/PWillimas. Passed unanimously.

AKC Delegate

Helen Prince

- From the February report, each Parent Club should have a Junior Showmanship liaison. We currently have Sueannette Maniscalco.
- AKC Registration for each new puppy will include information about the breed's Parent Club and AKC is asking for updated information about each Parent Club. LKelly is working on getting this information pulled together.

Old Business

Membership – Membership Vote

Kelli Edell

- Report on membership applications for the following applicants:
 - Amy Collini, Sheydanis Diaz Martinez, Sara & Jana Frieslander, Chris Gamble, Elizabeth Ann Goga, Anita Hawkey, Diana Hilderbrand, Thomas and Nancy Hurren, Leslie Show Klinger, Shely Kurz, Denis & Karen Lyddane, and Junior Member Catalina Lepiz Saborio.
 - RBumstead reported that there were only 2 NO votes cast, but that all applicants were voted into membership.
 - HPrince and TThomas will send out information to the new members welcoming them to the STCA.

Nominating Committee Report

Theresa Kay Thomas

Registered letters have been sent out to the individuals selected by the Committee for the
Officers and Directors. Those individuals will need to sign their acceptance of the position, and
then the slate will be mailed to the membership by June 1.

Selection of Judges Specialty Shows - 2024, 2025

Theresa Kay Thomas

Motion: To go into Executive Session at 11:00 AM EDT to discuss Judges Selections for 2023 PWilliams/KEdell. Passed unanimously.

Motion: To leave Executive Session at 12:37 PM EDT EAvery/LHills Passed unanimously.

Stud Dog Event June

Lisa Hills

Nothing additional to report after previous discussion.

New Business

Standing Committee Reports – Approve reports that do not require action.

Motion: To approve those Standing Committee Reports that do not require action or further comment. PWilliams/MKrolweski. Passed unanimously.

Discussion and/or updates on the following

- Awards/Trophies
 - Granddaughter of Francis Lloyd has expressed interest in presenting the trophy at this year's banquet. We are waiting for correspondence.
 - Half of the award sponsors have responded to the inquiry regarding their criteria. To date, no major changes. TThomas will follow up with those who haven't responded.
 - Still have about 70 Wendell August 4X6 trays; they will be used for class trophies at Montgomery.
- Annual Tallies
 - Will place an ad in the Bagpiper asking for someone with technical computer skills to assist in the tabulations.
- Bagpiper -
 - Kari Hill will remain as circulation manager and help maintain the mailing list.
- Communications/Social Media
 - The Facebook page needs to be more interactive to keep it relevant.
 - LKelly and KProkopetz are current committee members.
- Constitution & By-Laws
 - o 5-year review revisions
 - Asking that Board read current documents and bring for discussion at the October meeting.
- Judges Education
 - Only two events scheduled this year one in Chicago in June and another in Raleigh, North Carolina in September.
- Membership Staffing, strategy
 - LHills will now be assisting KEdell
 - Need to look at ways to speed up process and incorporate into revisions to By-Laws.
 Possibly publish names in Monthly Wrap-Up instead of in Bagpiper.
 - o Possibly look at an Associate level membership.
- PAWS for Juniors
 - Need to think of ideas to reach more young exhibitors.
- Regional Clubs, including Role of Parent Club, recent developments

Motion: To go into Executive Session at 1:35 PM EDT to discuss Regional Club concerns EAvery/HPrince. Passed unanimously.

Motion: To leave Executive Session at 1:39 PM EDT KFerris/PWilliams Passed unanimously.

- SOPs Updates (due Montgomery meeting)
- Website
 - Need to encourage membership to go to website and use MEMBERS ONLY section to access forms and information.
 - Work with Bob Gann to see if the Membership Roster can be added to the MEMBERS ONLY with the ability to update their information, but not be a printable document.

Judges Selection Process -

- Revisit recommendations from two previous board committees who were tasked with offering
 recommendations on how to smooth the process of judge's selection. At present, board votes to
 approve specialty judges by a majority vote from suggestions solicited from membership and
 board members.
- Previous recommendations included:
 - o Committee membership would be pulled from the general STCA members, appointed by the Board for one year term, with one Board member serving on Committee.
 - What would be the qualifications to serve on the Committee?
 - Would review restrictions on previous and future judge's assignments

• Further discussion is needed.

STCA National Specialty/Montgomery - future

- Letter received from Peggy Browne requesting a change of host hotel from the Sheraton Hotel as our base for the Montgomery Weekend.
- We are currently under contract with our host hotel through 2023 to use that facility. No change.
- At first glance there may not be this type of hotel with conference facilities up near the current Macungie show site to accommodate our events. Possibly ask Peggy Browne to investigate options.
- We will discuss further in October when we can review the 2024 proposed contract.

Regional Club Specialty- Questionnaire

- LKelly sent a questionnaire to presidents of the Regional Clubs. All 20 clubs responded.
- Here are the results:
 - 13 of the 20 clubs hold Designated Specialties
 - 9 of the 20 clubs hold Independent Specialties
 - 9 clubs hire judges directly, while the other work with host or cluster panel to select their judges
 - o 14 of the 20 clubs have no restrictions on their judges to judge other Scottie specialties
 - 12 of the 20 clubs agree with the longstanding policy that specialties should not co-exist on the same weekends.
 - For those clubs that did not agree with the coexistence guidelines they suggested mileage limits from 500 to 1500 miles
 - 11 of the 20 clubs are or may be looking into holding a second show during the same day or weekend
 - 11 of the 20 clubs do not require or want additional guidance from the STCA regarding their specialties.

Humanitarian Award for 2022

- Bill Berry contacted LKelly asking if there was Board interest in offering any humanitarian award to those who worked on fundraising to provide relief funds for Scottish Terrier breeders in Ukraine
- Board agrees that those who are helping with fundraising should be acknowledged, no formal award.

Next Meeting: May 18, 2022 8:30 PM EDT via ZOOM

Adjournment:

Motion: To adjourn at 4:50 p.m. RBumstead/KFerris

Respectfully Submitted – Richard C Bumstead, Recording Secretary

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