

Minutes

The Scottish Terrier Club of America, Inc. Teleconference Meeting of the Officers and Directors Wednesday May 18, 2022 8:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. EDT

PRESENT: President, Lori Kelly; Vice President, Kathleen Ferris; Corresponding Secretary Theresa Thomas; Recording Secretary, Richard Bumstead; Treasurer, Steve Russell; AKC Delegate, Helen Prince; Directors - Class of 2022; Ellen Avery, Lisa Hills, Ron McConnell, Pat Wooster: Class of 2023; Kelli Edell, Michael Krolewski, Pam Williams.

ABSENT: NONE

Welcome: Called to order at 8: 34 pm EDT Pres. Lori Kelly

Minutes: Approval of the April 21, 2022 Meeting Minutes, including Executive Sessions. Stand as submitted.

Report of the Secretaries:

Recording

Richard Bumstead

Nominating Committee Report for Slate of STCA Officers and Directors for 2022-2023, chaired by Rick Fowler, was presented:

- President Lori Kelly, PA
- Vice President Kathy Ferris, PA
- Corresponding Secretary Theresa Thomas, TX
- Treasurer Steve Russell, IL
- Corresponding Secretary Richard Bumstead, NM
- AKC Delegate Helen Prince MD
- DIRECTORS Class of 2023 (not up for re-election)
 - o Kelli Edell. TX
 - o Michael Krolewski, WA
 - o Pam Williams, OH
 - Kari Hill, SC (fulfilling a one-year unexpired term)
- DIRECTORS Class of 2024
 - Ellen Avery, GA
 - o Lisa Hills, IL
 - o Jeff Jones, KS
 - o Amy Pelle, NY
- Biographies will be sent out for final review to current Officers and Board prior to printing.

Proposal to print and mail slate

 Received proposal from DMK Print Services in Northbrook, IL to print, fold, stuff envelopes, apply first class postage, and delivery to the Post Office: \$1,868.82.

Motion: To approve \$1,868.82 for Mailing Services to distribute the 2022-2023 STCA Slate of Officers and Directors. KFerris/LHills. Passed unanimously.

Corresponding

Theresa Thomas

2023 Judges

- Contracts have been received from the following judges, and are PENDING AKC approval:
 - Masa Siroka Independent Parent Club Specialty, Regular Classes
 - Sandra Anderson Rotating, Regular Classes
 - Susan Jacobsen Rotating Sweepstakes
- Judges for Montgomery Regular Classes and Sweepstakes have been contacted and we are awaiting signed contracts to confirm.

New Members

LKelly has reached out to the new members to help them get associated with the STCA Website
and how to access the MEMBERS ONLY section. Their sponsors were copied on the
correspondence.

Guides and Illustrated Guides

- LKelly sent 25 Illustrated Guides to TThomas for future distributions.
- HPrince asked for addresses of new members so that she can send them the STCA Handbook.

Treasurers Report

Steve Russell

Current Status

- As of mid-May, the club is \$3,000 to the positive.
- Final accounting of Rotating still to be reconciled, currently about \$2,500 to the negative.
 - o Rosettes, Top 20 accounts, and profit sharing with local clubs still outstanding
 - Dinner during Top 20 needs to be rolled into overall expenses of Top 20
- Looking at the last 14 years, the STCA has invested about \$4,000 per year to cover the expenses of the Specialties.
- Received a payment of membership dues 3 months late, and they have been turned over to KEdell to reapply for membership.
- Every 10 years, we need to renew the trademark on the STCA logo. SRussell has been talking with Nate Kramer, the attorney who assisted the STCA last time. His observation was that we need to stop using the C in a circle and use the R in the circle.
 - Asked if we should also trademark The Bagpiper logo
 - Discussion did not conclude that this was important at this time
- Corporate taxes have been filed for 2021, and we received a small refund. We pay taxes on the investment income from our CDs.

Old Business

Rotating 2022

Lori Kelly

LKelly asked for feedback from the Board on the recent STCA Rotating Event with the STC of Greater Washington DC.

- Most thought the hotel was a good choice, and close to the show site.
- They appreciated that the rings and grooming area were somewhat private.
- Requested possible later start time than 9:00 AM.
- Food and catering were good.
- The Cherry Blossom Ribbons were a big hit.
- SRussell felt that the flat ribbons for other shows were a bit of a letdown and suggested better coordination with 2nd regional club if holding Specialty same weekend as the Rotating host.
- Entry numbers were discussed, SRussell expressed concern over entry numbers.
 - All entries have been low, but are growing as we come out of COVID

- This may be the new normal as few shows are getting the pre-pandemic entries.
 Many new clusters and shows were created or added during 2020/21. As 2022 sees the show circuit returning to normal those additions appear to be eroding entries.
- The local club did a great job in pulling all the details together.
- Question was raised if we should present New Champion ribbons at our shows.
 - KFerris indicated that this is mostly done at All-Breed shows and is also referred to as a New Title ribbon

2024 Judges Next Steps

Lori Kelly

- The process will take place during the June STCA Board meeting, using the list we
 developed for the April meeting.
- Question was asked if we could use the people who were alternates for the 2023 shows.
- Decided to start fresh using the process from April meeting.

New Business

HTF Proposal

Helen Prince

The STCA Health Trust Fund has requested that it use \$12,000 of its funds to support research to find a DNA marker for Scottie Cramp.

- Will use existing blood samples drawn for the STCA DNA Database and held at Resero
- Will use 9 samples that will include a dam, sire, and puppies resulting from that breeding.

Motion: To approve \$12,000 from STCA Health Trust Fund to support Scottie Cramp research, using existing blood samples. PWilliams/LHills. Passed unanimously.

Grooming Manuals Status/Reorder

Ron McConnell

- Currently have 54 total manuals available for sale via the STCA Store.
- Will need to order more in the coming year, and have received a quote showing that printing costs have increased about 30% to \$56.11 (if 100 are ordered) and will take 45 days to print.
- At present, they sell for \$60.00, which indicates that we need to raise the price to cover shipping and cost of manual, which will be just under \$73.00.
 - Should we raise price to \$90 or \$100?
 - Should there be a STCA member discount offered (a membership benefit)
- Currently have 18 videos on hand.
- Will need to find a volunteer to take over inventories and manage shipping after Montgomery 2022.

Performance Sports Committee Award Criteria

- The 2022 Award will cover the dates from June 2021 through May 2022, and the current award criteria will stay the same.
- The new criteria expands the AKC title venues for which Scottish Terriers can compete. The new awards criteria will be used from May 2022 forward.

Motion: To approve Performance Sports Committee revised criteria for Performance Medallions beginning with the 2022 award year. KFerris/LHills. Passed unanimously.

Motion: To adjourn at 9:58 PM EDT LHills/RBumstead .

Respectfully Submitted - Richard C Burnstead, Recording Secretary