

Minutes

The Scottish Terrier Club of America, Inc. Teleconference Meeting of the Officers and Directors Wednesday July 20, 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; Michael Krolewski, Pam Williams.

ABSENT: Kelli Edell

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

Motion: To excuse the absence of Kelli Edell from the July 20, 2022 meeting. TThomas/HPrince Passed unanimously

Minutes: Approval of the June 15, 2022 Meeting Minutes, including Executive Session. Approved as submitted

Report of the President:

Lori Kelly

Housekeeping items:

- Received a nice note from Steve Dalbey regarding the numerous cards sent to Bonnie during her illness by Charlie Gann. Steve noted that Bonnie appreciated each and every one.
- Many thanks go out to for the great job the Charlie Gann does with this very important STCA task.
- Regarding note from AKC Canine Health, to confirm dates, the STCA was formed in 1898, and accepted into the AKC in 1900.

Report of the Secretaries:

Recording

Richard Bumstead

- Received no Alternate Slate of Officers and Board members for the STCA by the July 15th deadline. Nominated slate as proposed stands.
- Report on membership applications for the following applicants:
 - Shayna Hollander, Devon and Dawn Pohl, Sheri Ray, Elizabeth and Craig Shearer, Pat Speas, and Cathy Wingo.
 - RBumstead reported that there were 12 of the 13 Board members voting, all applicants were voted unanimously into membership.
 - HPrince and TThomas will send out information to the new members welcoming them to the STCA.
 - LKelly will send out an e-mail to the new members and their sponsors relaying their acceptance into the STCA and access to the website.

Corresponding

Theresa Thomas

- AKC is no longer requires the use of their form to convey approvals by parent clubs to regional clubs regarding their ability to hold specialties. A simple letter will suffice.
 - The current dates held by the regional clubs will stand.
 - Clubs can request additional shows up to four shows total in one year from the STCA.

Motion: To approve up to two (2) regional club specialty shows per year for two (2) years - 2023 and 2024. LHills/KFerris. Passed unanimously

- o TThomas will send letter to AKC and notify regional clubs of this action.
- Bred By Medallions With many regional clubs now holding two specialties in a day/weekend, should the STCA supply Bred By Medallions for one or two shows?
 - Discussion revolved around the fact that entries are down, and often these are the only shows with majors.
 - Even though it will cost the STCA more, the general consensus was to continue to send medallions for each specialty show.

Treasurers Report

Steve Russell

- In July, the Club recorded a Net Income loss of -\$2,931. Normally expected expenses exceed income this month as the Club is in a lull before collecting substantial income for Bagpiper #3 and Montgomery.
- This brings the Club's YTD Net Income loss of -\$3,780. The Club's Balance Sheet Net Assets stand at \$537,993.
- Listed below are the accounts with income and expense over ~\$500 this month.
 - Income
 - \$ 1,650 Bagpiper 2022#3 Ad Sales (partial)
 - \$ 340 AKC reimbursement for application fees during Covid (3/20-12/21)
 - Expense
 - -\$ 2,911 Bagpiper 2022#2 production (partial)
 - -\$ 1,353 Insurance (Trophy & Award annual)
 - -\$ 1,126 Storage (6 months)
- Other Activities:
 - Montgomery 2022 Transactions from the STCA website have started to flow through PayPal for this year's Montgomery events.
 - Insurance Advised the Health Trust Fund on Officer & Director Liability insurance with Equisure.

New Business

Lori Kelly

Motion: To go into Executive Session at 8:58 PM EDT to discuss STCA Awards HPrince/PWilliams. Passed unanimously.

Motion: To leave Executive Session at 9:09 PM EDT PWilliams/MKrolewski Passed unanimously.

Shop Merchandise

Lori Kelly

- Work has begun on merchandise for the Montgomery weekend
 - Commemorative pins There are just a few remaining in inventory. Board approved purchase of 150 pins, as used on cover of this year's info packet. LKelly showed artwork for embroidered apparel which will feature the head of the dog.
 - Additional items will include visors, canvas totes, insulated bags, considering umbrellas.

Motion: To approve spending over \$500 to purchase 2022 commemorative pins for the STCA Shop for this year's Montgomery weekend. KFerris/PWilliams. Passed unanimously.

AKC Pledge Medallions Dec. '22

- AKC has asked if we will Pledge Medallions for the AKC National Championships in December 2022 for conformation achievements for BOB, BOS, Best Bred-By-Exhibitor, Select Dog, and Select Bitch and Obedience medallions.
- SRussell pointed out that we have been pledging medallions since 2012.

Motion: To approve Pledge Medallions for the AKC National Championships for 2022. LHills/HPrince. Passed unanimously

Agility Proposal from Linda White

- The entire Agility Committee from the STCNE has resigned and will not coordinate an event in the coming year.
- They would like to work with STCA to sponsor another Agility Trial to complement the Black and White event in March and the Montgomery event in October.
- At this point, they are merely asking if they can proceed with developing the idea to bring to the STCA Board. The Board agreed with this approach and will look forward to receiving their proposal.
- HPrince noted that AKC is encouraging clubs to sponsor other events that just conformation shows.

HTF Bequest

Richard Bumstead

- In Spring 2022, the HTF established a four-person committee to develop a financial plan to oversee an expected large bequest from an estate of a club member.
- The bequest was from the estate of A. Cooper Foster of Albuquerque, New Mexico. He left the bulk of his estate to the STCA HTF. He had been a frequent contributor to the HTF.
- The committee has been talking with several investment firms about how best to invest these funds so that they can live well beyond our lifetimes and yet support the needed research that the HTF is guiding.
- Committee members are also talking with various colleagues with expertise in such areas to help us develop the plan.
- The funds have been received and are currently in the HTF Bank of America account.
- The roll-out of the information will be through a Bagpiper article.
- Want to use this transformational gift to further encourage STCA members to continue to give and possibly think of additional bequests.

Old Business

Regional Club STCNE

Lori Kelly

- LKelly has received and distributed to the STCA Board numerous correspondence from some members of the STCNE regarding the lack of process, transparency, documentation, and member engagement.
- LKelly contacted the club president in January when some issues arose.
- AKC reports that their concern is with issues that relate to the specialty show.
- Possible 501C3 violations also have been brought up.
- Board agreed to have three members from the STCA Board will meet with the president to
 try and help them get back on track to function within their Constitution and Bylaws as well
 as representing a regional club of STCA and the mission of the regional club.

Montgomery Week 2022 Status

Kathleen Ferris

- Vendor invitations to the host hotel events have gone out. Already receiving responses.
- April Green will again be overseeing Sunday ring decorations at Montgomery County.
- Hatboro and Montgomery applications have been sent in, waiting on premium lists.
- TThomas states that IPS and Sweeps are set for taking place at host hotel, working on premium lists.
- Contract in place with Rau for rental equipment at hotel
- EAvery reports that trophies are underway.
- Event registrations for Montgomery weekend are live on the STCA website, and are already being submitted.

AKC Meet the Breeds Update

Lori Kelly

- Tampa Bay is complete
- Dallas is in the process and AKC has processed stipend check to send to STCA.
- San Diego has been cancelled

Motion: To adjourn at 9:58 PM EDT PWilliams/EAvery Passed unanimously.

Next Meetings:

- August 17, 2022 & September 21, 2022 8:30 p.m. ET ZOOM
- October 5, 2022 8:30 a.m. In person, Langhorne, PA

Respectfully Submitted – Richard C Bumstead, Recording Secretary

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