



**The Scottish Terrier Club of America, Inc.
 Special Meeting of the Officers and Directors
 April 3, 2024
 Via Zoom**

PRESENT:

✓	Pam Williams, President	✓	Theresa Thomas, Corres. Sec.
X	Ann Davis, Vice President	✓	Kathleen Dunleavy, Rec. Sec.
✓	Mark LaBonte, Treasurer	X	Helen Prince, AKC Delegate
✓	Ellen Avery, Class of 2024	✓	Danica Burge, Class of 2025
✓	Lisa Hills, Class of 2024	✓	Suzanna Mackey, Class of 2025
✓	Jeff Jones, Class of 2024	X	Christine O'Brien, Class of 2025
✓	Amy Pelle, Class of 2024	✓	Dee Smith, Class of 2025

ABSENT: Ann Davis, Helen Prince, Christine O'Brien

Welcome: Called to order at 8:35 PM ET

Pam Williams

Motion: To excuse the absences of Ann Davis, Helen Prince, and Christine O'Brien MLaBonte moved, EAvery seconded Passed Unanimously.

Report of the Secretaries

Recording

Kathleen Dunleavy

- Kathleen Dunleavy presented the March 20, 2024, Regular and Executive Session BOD Meeting Minutes for approval
- Kathleen Dunleavy reported that there was no motion to approve the February financial report at the March 20, 2024, BOD Regular Session meeting.

Motion: To approve the February 2024 financial report as presented at the March 20, 2024, BOD Regular Session meeting by Mark LaBonte, STCA Treasurer. LHills moved and EAvery seconded. Passed Unanimously.

Motion: To approve the minutes of the March 20, 2024, BOD Regular Session Meeting and the March 20, 2024 BOD Executive Session. LHills moved and DBurge seconded. Passed unanimously.

Old Business

Scottish Terrier Club of California Follow-Up Discussion

- Pam Williams distributed updated information from STCC regarding preparations for the 2025 STCA Rotating Specialty in Ventura, CA. The information was sent by Rod Ott, STCC President and includes preliminary hotel and venue details. Pam had an extensive conversation with Rod Ott about the STCC 2025 Rotating proposal and why the STCA Board rescinded their invitation for hosting by the STCC. The principal reasons were a communications breakdown and the appearance of a lack of a sense of urgency in planning for the 2025 event. The STCC appears motivated to salvage the 2025 Rotating and host the event at the Ventura County Fairgrounds with Four Points Sheraton as the host hotel.
- Pam noted that she was also contacted by an STCC member who supports STCC hosting the 2025 Rotating, wants the STCC hosting plans to move forward and is committed to its success.
- Pam reported that she has preliminary information about an alternate location for the STCA Rotating Specialty should the complete proposal not be received from STCC by April 15th that addresses the remaining questions/concerns.
- Mark LaBonte asked if there was a contract with the Ventura Fairgrounds and, the number of hotel rooms guaranteed as part of a contract with the Four Points by Sheraton in Ventura. Is there a conference room for the board meeting and cost of room rental.
 - No contract will be forthcoming from the fairground venue and show superintendent (Jack Bradshaw) until after the STCC 2024 Specialty on April 6, 2024.
 - Room guarantee is currently 60 nights (15 nights per 4 days) but may be revised.
 - The rental fee for a conference room at the host hotel for the STCA Board meeting is estimated to be \$400.
- Danica Burge stated that the San Francisco Bay STC may be open to a specialty show during Rotating weekend since the event schedule and costs will be determined soon. Danica will discuss the details with SFBSTC membership.
- There was general discussion amongst the STCA Board members about the 2025 Rotating Specialty and included the following concerns:
 - STCC leadership for the Rotating must be committed to the mission of a successful Rotating Specialty. Communications must be open and respectful. There must be a central point of communication between STCC and the STCA Board including all persons working on the Rotating Specialty.
 - STCA Board is willing to reconsider its decision but needs more detailed information from the STCC about the Rotating weekend such as all costs including hotel, meals, venues, special events, parking, etc. The Board is hopeful for a positive outcome.
 - Details of the Show Superintendent (Bradshaw) work obligations, arrangements, and costs.
 - STCA Top 20 Event – The hosting of the STCA Top 20 event is still under discussion by the STCA Board. The location in Ventura, CA must be determined. Will the Top 20 be held at the show site (Ventura County Fairgrounds) or the host hotel (4 Points by Sheraton)? Danica Burge noted that the Top 20 Event will likely result in more entries for the Rotating Specialty. The top 20 qualifiers will likely also be entered in the Rotating Specialty.
 - STCA Board wants to have the 2025 Rotating in a Western/West Coast location. It is traditional to alternate geographic locations for the Rotating each year. STCA Board members are actively exploring other possible locations in Western states.
 - Will the STCC be able to organize the 2025 Rotating with one year of planning time?
 - If STCA reconsiders STCC as the 2025 host, the STCA Board will schedule monthly Zoom meeting with STCC Rotating leadership to monitor progress starting in June/July 2024.

Motion: To retract the STCA Board decision to rescind the 2025 Rotating Specialty invitation to the Scottish Terrier Club of California; to require a complete proposal with requested additional,

detailed information from the STCC no later than April 15, 2024. MLaBonte moved and JJones seconded Passed Unanimously

Pam Williams, STCA President will send an email to Rod Ott, STCC President, informing him the Board's motion to retract its March 20, 2024, decision regarding the 2025 Rotating Specialty. Pam will request additional, detailed information about the STCC's Rotating Specialty plans and costs with a deadline of April 15, 2024.

It was the consensus of STCA Board members to continue to gather information about a possible Rotating Specialty in Greeley, CO in August 2025.

Motion: To Adjourn the meeting at 9:45 PM ET Moved by DSmith and seconded by EAvery. Pssed Unanimously

Respectfully Submitted – Kathleen Dunleavy, Recording Secretary
April 17, 2024 Approved

April meeting – Wednesday, April 17, 2024, 8:30PM ET via Zoom

**May meeting- Thursday, May 16, 2024, 8:30AM-5PM at the Rotating Specialty
Ocala, FL In-person meeting.**

June meeting – Wednesday, June 19, 2024 8:30PM ET via Zoom