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This report details the day to day activities of the ASCA Board of Directors and includes issues before the ASCA Board and communications done by mail, fax, email and/or phone.

December 1-31, 2000

98:16 AFFILIATE CLUB BYLAW CHANGES--Mesquite ASC

Voting:

Approve: Unanimous

Changes are approved

98:16 AFFILIATE CLUB BYLAW CHANGES--Ocean View ASC

Voting:

Approve: Adolphson, Aufox, Berryessa, Rossy, Toft, Trumbull-Clark, Warren

Disapprove: Davenport

Changes are approved

91:07 ASCA BUSINESS OFFICE--Liaison

Motion by Davenport, second by Berryessa

I move to approve the following request from Lola Hill, Business Office Manager:

In a message dated 11/20/00 3:52:10 PM Pacific Standard Time, ASCA@tca.net writes: I am respectfully requesting that the Business Office liaison be changed to Kathy Warren as we worked very well with her last year.

Comment: This is a simple request from a valued employee, there is precedence set that this has been done before, more than once.

Voting:

Approve: Aufox, Berryessa, Davenport, Warren

Disapprove: Adolphson, Rossy, Toft, Trumbull-Clark

Motion is defeated

94:16 ASCA INSURANCE--Emergency Motion

Motion by Toft, second by Trumbull-Clark

I move to accept the quote from Horizons Insurance Group, Inc. for: Property Insurance Policy; Commercial General Liability; Commercial Automobile Policy (for rentals); Workers Compensation Policy; Umbrella Liability. The insurer is Zurich Insurance Co. The total quote for 1 year is \$2,647.00. The voting must be completed by midnight on Dec. 26, 2000 so that a check can be overnight mailed by the Office to Horizons on Dec. 27, 2000. The premium is due on January 1, 2001. (Quote was received

at 5:00 p.m. on Dec. 22, 2000)

Comments:

This coverage is identical or better than what ASCA was covered for last year. Zurich Insurance Company's rating was investigated by Jerry Aufox and found to be excellent. The cost is considerably less due to removal of unnecessary coverages as discussed by the Insurance Liaison previously. This quote does not cover the Employment Practices Liability or Health insurance for Lola Hill, both of which are continuing to be investigated per the Board's request. Any questions may be asked of the Insurance liaison (Kris Toft) by phone, fax or e-mail. The quote is 15 pages long, if you require a copy prior to approval, please contact the Insurance Liaison directly.

Voting:

Approve: Unanimous
Motion is approved

ATTORNEY FILE---Attorney retainer

Motion by Trumbull-Clark, second by Toft

I move ASCA retain Charles W. Carnese for the year 2001 in the sum of \$12,000. This retainer would be for all legal services rendered, excluding only litigation. Also, to bring Mr. Carnese to the April 2001 Board meeting in Bryan, Texas if it is in the best interest of ASCA for him to attend. He will be paid a flat fee of \$750 plus transportation and lodging.

Voting:

Approve: Unanimous
Motion is approved

93:16 AUSSIE TIMES---Editor Ad (new wording)

Motion by Trumbull-Clark, second by Toft

I move to place an ad in the "Classified" section of the March issue of Dog World magazine under the "Business Opportunity" listing and in the March issue of Dog Fancy magazine in the "Classified Dog" section under the "Employment" listing which shall read:

Request For Bid on Periodical & Publication Services

Bids for bi-monthly magazine/periodical production and publication services are now being accepted by the Australian Shepherd Club of America, Inc.

Needs: Total service & management from initial stages to mailing of a bi-monthly magazine. Details and bid packet on request. Knowledge of dogs a plus. Closing date for bids: March 31, 2001. Contact ASCA Office: 979-778-1082

Rates, Space Closing Dates, On Sale dates, Approximate costs:

Dog World's "General Rate" for 1-2 issues is \$1.80 per word, per issue. Bold type, add \$.50 per word. Closing date for the March issue is 12/13/00, On sale date is 2/6/01. Approx. cost = \$91.80. With bold type in title = \$93.30.

Dog Fancy's "Classified Liner" rate for 1-2 issues is \$1.55 per word per issue. Closing date for the March issue is 12/10/00. On sale date is 2/6/01. Approx. cost = \$76.50.

Ad copy to be sent by Aussie Times Committee to Lola Hill to include check and send to magazines in time to meet the December deadlines.

Comments: By advertising in Dog World and Dog Fancy magazines, we are targeting people who perhaps have more "dog knowledge" than those from other animal magazines or trade journals. These ads are relatively inexpensive and a good place to start. By getting our ads in the March issues, which are released in early February, possible candidates will have up to two months to send in bids. The closing date of March 31, 2001 was chosen in order to have bids in hand for the Board's spring meeting. If the Board decides that the bids received are not acceptable, the ads can be run again in these magazines and others, plus any trade journals the Board chooses. The parameters for the job are still being looked into by the Aussie Times Committee and shall be prepared for Board approval prior to February 1, 2001 which is prior to the "On Sale" date for either magazine.

This motion has revised wording of the ad which is to be placed.

Voting:

Approve. Unanimous

Motion is approved.

93:16 AUSSIE TIMES--Editor Parameters

Motion by Trumbull-Clark, second by Adolphson

I move to accept the following as the information which shall be provided by the ASCA Business Office to prospective bidders for the AUSSIE TIMES Editor position and that three issues of the AUSSIE TIMES be included with each Request For Bid.

Comments: The Aussie Times Committee shall contact references from bidders and request any further information necessary from the bidders prior to the Spring Meeting in order to organize all of the bidders' resumes and samples into a formal presentation with any suggested recommendation(s) for the Board.

(On ASCA letterhead)

REQUEST FOR BID

The Australian Shepherd Club of America, Inc. is requesting bids for the Editor position for the club's official publication, the AUSSIE TIMES. The AUSSIE TIMES is a bi-monthly magazine devoted to our breed, the Australian Shepherd, and information about our club. The AUSSIE TIMES has been published continually since 1968.

The Editor position consists of the design, copy editing, proofreading, electronic layout and management through printing of the magazine. Enclosed please find a few copies of the AUSSIE TIMES that represent the type of information and advertising that is normally included in each issue.

Bids must be received by March 31, 2001. NO LATE BIDS WILL BE ACCEPTED.

The following information is based upon averages taken from a year (6 issues) of the AUSSIE TIMES and what would be considered as normal per issue:

Print Run: 5,800
Number of pages: 151
Number of black and white pages: 137
Number of color pages: 14

Number of articles: 5 (from 1 to 4 pages in length)
Number of editorial columns: 16 (from 1 to 17 pages in length which are usually reports from club officials, usually sent on disc or electronically to editor)
Full page advertising: 51 (ranges from 26 to 54)
Half page advertising: 10 (ranges from 7 to 15)
Quarter page advertising: 5 (ranges from 2 to 7)
Classified ad section in each issue (approximately 1-2 pages/issue)

PERIODICAL PRODUCTION REQUIREMENTS

The Editor will be responsible for the complete production of the magazine. When bidding, please specify your background in all areas of production--design, copy editing, proofreading, and printing management. Please indicate your skills beyond what might be requested in the categories which follow (electronic design and makeup of advertising is a key function of this editorial position--see advertising requirements).

ADVERTISING REQUIREMENTS

The major portion of our advertising comes from our members, therefore we require our editor to be somewhat flexible in how it is received. The majority of ads are sent in electronic format or are camera ready. Some of our advertisers may request or require layout services from the editor.

Please specify any background in advertising layout you may have and your skills in receiving advertising on disc or electronically.

Please quote your rate for advertising layout separately from the editorial portion. We will need to know your hourly rate, how you reach your final rate and how you charge for alterations.

SOFTWARE REQUIREMENTS

Software should meet current industry standards and may include:

Microsoft Word 97 or 2000
QuarkXPress 4.0 (or higher)
Adobe Photoshop 5 (or higher)
Adobe Illustrator 7 (or higher)
Adobe Freehand 8 (or higher)
OmniPage Pro 8 (or higher)

Please specify your capabilities of publication software, listing the software program(s) and your familiarity with it in years of experience.

PRINTING REQUIREMENTS

Please provide us with the following information on the printer you would be using:

Name, address and phone number of printer
How many periodicals this printer handles on a regular basis
Minimum time limit required for set-up

Please provide an estimated cost of printing per issue. Please break out what portion, if any, is your cost for brokering printing services.

REQUIRED SAMPLES AND REFERENCES

Please include in your resume any significant background you may have related to dogs or experience you may have editing a dog related publication.

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Please include samples of the various types of work you have edited or produced plus any professional references which may be contacted.

Based on the information provided under Advertising Requirements, please provide your advertising production costs.

Please provide an estimated cost for editorial services on a per issue basis.

All bids should be valid until May 31, 2001. The Australian Shepherd Club of America, Inc. reserves the right to waive any and all informalities or to reject any and all bids. Bidders shall be notified of bid status on or before May 31, 2001.

If you have any questions, please use the contact below. Please submit your resume, bid, samples and references to:

Kyle Trumbull-Clark
P.O. Box 722
Leona Valley, CA 93551
(661) 270-0702
e-mail: dawginit@msn.com

Voting:

Approve: Adolphson, Aufox, Berryessa, Davenport, Rossy, Toft, Trumbull-Clark

Abstain: Warren

Motion is approved

93:19 BOARD POLICIES---AUSSIE TIMES Advertising

Motion by Aufox, second by Rossy

Move the adoption of the following rule and procedure for paid advertisements in the AUSSIE TIMES.

"The only paid advertisements which shall be permitted to be placed in the AUSSIE TIMES are as follows:

1. Announcement of events, shows and trials, along with premium lists;
2. Ads for the sale of Australian Shepherds;
3. Announcements of expected or arrived litters, including kennel and

stud dog ads;

4. Congratulatory or memorial ads, including win and general ads promoting a dog;

5. Ads supporting candidates for ASCA's Board of Directors;

6. Ads for the sale of dog-related items, including promotion of any dog-related organization;

7. Informational ads relating to health, training, caring for, educational research, studies and surveys of or relating to Australian Shepherds;

8. Ads promoting or opposing and matter under discussion which will or could be voted upon by the membership of ASCA; and

9. An Ad which does not fall into the categories listed in 1 through 8 above which has been first submitted to the ASCA Board of Directors and which has been in their sole discretion is approved for inclusion in the AUSSIE TIMES by a vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the Directors.

Any advertisement which contains any: (a) language directed at the actions of any identifiable individual; (b) objectionable language, or; (c) matter which could be considered objectionable based upon generally recognized standards within the ASCA community, shall not be published.

The editor shall have the discretion to delete any such matter in order to make the advertisement conform to this policy or to reject the advertisement entirely. The editor is further authorized to determine whether any advertisement contains any such objectionable matter and may refer such issue to ASCA's attorney, whose determination shall be final."

Comment: This motion contains the recommended wording from our attorney Chuck Carnese

Voting:

Approve: Adolphson, Aufox, Toft, Trumbull-Clark

Disapprove: Berryessa, Davenport, Rossy, Warren

Motion is defeated

93:19 BOARD POLICIES--Board voting procedure

Motion by Aufox, second by Davenport

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am frustrated by the Chinese fire drill we go through with voting on motions and any other matter. As a result, I would like to change the Board's policy and propose the following motion for consideration. The following motion is made by Jerry Aufox and seconded by Chris Davenport.

That ASCA's policy for procedure to be used for voting by the Board of Directors shall be as follows:

1. The Board will only vote on matters once each calendar quarter, during the last week (the 13th week) of the calendar quarter, either by e-mail, by telephone, or by voice at an in-person meeting.

2. All subjects calling for any vote by the Board may be made, raised for discussion and comment, or proposed at anytime during the following period: The period will commence on the beginning of the calendar quarter

and end on the last day of the 11th week. No motions or requests for votes can be made during the 12th and 13th week of the quarter (the two-week period prior to the end of the quarter).

3. Motions can be made by any Board member. In order to be voted on every motion must have a second made by another Board member. A second to any motion can also be made during the time a motion can be made. Motions without a second cannot be voted on and shall automatically fail for lack of a second.

4. The Executive Secretary shall maintain and publish two lists of pending motions every two weeks. The first list shall contain the motions that have a second and the second list shall contain motions which lack a second. A copy of both lists shall be published on ASCA's web site and also sent to all affiliate clubs.

5. In the 12th week, the Executive Secretary shall prepare an Agenda of the matters to be voted upon during the 13th week and any other matters which need group (face-to-face) Board discussions. Face-to-face discussions shall be either by telephonic conference or in person.

6. The Agenda prepared by the Executive Secretary referenced in paragraph 5. above shall contain the complete wording of each motion requiring a vote. Each motion shall be on a separate page along with the maker's comments. The agenda and all the motions shall be sent to each Board member by US mail, Overnight Delivery or by facsimile at the end of the 12th week of each calendar quarter.

7. The results of all votes by the Board shall be reported in the first week of each calendar quarter and posted on ASCA's web site.

The only exception to the above procedure shall be for emergency motions. An emergency motion shall be deemed such when a motion is certified as an emergency by not less than four board members. Emergency motions shall state the time in which it shall be voted upon which shall not be longer than 8 days after being made.

Procedure number 6.13 shall be deleted in its entirety.

This procedure shall become effective immediately upon its approval (receiving a majority vote of the board).

Comments:

The reason for this motion is that nothing we do is a life or death situation. There is no reason why we cannot handle things in an orderly fashion. The procedure we have now is chaotic. Motions can be made at any time. They then must be responded to within five days and voted on within eight. No one can keep track of this helter-skelter. We are unable to have an orderly discussion because of these unbelievably short timeframes, which can and usually do overlap each other.

More importantly, there is no time for input from our membership. The membership feels that we are acting in secret. Why?--because by the time they find out about something, we have already acted. This is not fair or proper. Some motions can be acted on with little debate, other motions take a lot of debate and through input, may want to be amended. Our system does not allow that.

An example of how the proposed process works.

On January 20th a motion is made to require handlers in the conformation ring and trial arena to wear formal attire. On the executive secretary's report of motions without a second issued on January 28th the motion will

be listed.

Discussion is had by e-mail on the motion in January and February. On February 15th another board member seconds the motion. In the executive secretary's report of motions with a second issued on February 18th the motion will be listed.

There maybe further discussion through March 16th. On March 24th the executive secretary will issue an agenda for voting and a listing of all pending motions with a second. Each motion will have an agenda number. From March 26th through March 31st the board members will vote by e-mail on the pending motions.

Please see the associated motion as to when motions changing show rules become effective.

Voting:

Approve: Adolphson, Aufox, Toft, Trumbull-Clark

Disapprove: Berryessa, Davenport, Rossy, Warren

Motion is defeated

93:19 BOARD POLICIES--Directors Manual

Motion by Warren, second by Davenport

I move to send the Directors Manual with the following corrections (minus comments) to the Business Office where it can be update and included it in the election material to be sent to all prospective candidates.

Corrections:

Page 1, paragraph 4, second to last sentence "The ASCA President, 1st and 2nd Vice President, Secretary, Executive Secretary, and Election Secretary are elected annually by the Board of Directors at the first meeting of the newly elected Board.

Page 1, Mission Statement, third paragraph, second sentence "breed breed", take out second breed.

Page 2, update current directors

Page 3, Avoiding conflicts, second bullet "Avoid even the appearance..."

Page 4, ASCA Officers Duties, first bullet, Webmaster and ARPH liaison need to be deleted. ARPH and Webmaster pick their liaisons, they are not appointed by the president.

Page 4 ASCA Officers Duties, second bullet, Add liaison to the Executive Secretary to 1st VP

Page 5, second full paragraph. Take out first sentence, at this point in time liaisons are not responsible for this. Resumes are sent to the Ex. Sec and distributed from there to board members.

Page 5, The ASCA Business Office conduct the following functions---add proof of insurance certificates

Page 6, change ASCA liaison to ImmGen to George Johnson

Page 7, under Agility change the word plagiarize to "use".

Page 7 Aussie Times, content-change "Editorials must be approved by the AT committee prior to publication." to "Editorials may be sent to the AT committee for approval prior to publication." Comment: I could not find

any policy that said this must be done.

Page 9, 1st sentence change ACA to ASCA.

Page 9, Motions/Voting, take out #7. Comment: at this time we don't accept amendments.

Page 11, 1st paragraph-take out. comments: we haven't figured that one out yet.

Page 11, 4th paragraph-change "All ASCA-related expenses *may* be billed to ASCA on a monthly basis." to *should* be billed. Comments: this is an accounting thing, it is easier on bookkeeping to have all directors bill monthly. At one time I believe we had a policy that stated this must be done within 60 days. I have not been able to find it therefor I opted for the word should hoping all BOD's will do this. The word may is a little to permissive.

Page 12, Vacancies-replace with new policy

Page 12, Conflict of Interest-first sentence typo-conflicats to conflicts.

Page 13, Directors Manual-take out first sentence. Comments: this will go out with all election material. Leave the rest.

Page 14, Proxy voting, second sentence-change "An ASCA Directors will be appointed...." to the Business Office Manager will contact...comment: I believe this is the way it is done now. However I'm thinking it would be a good thing to have the 2 nd VP, as there is nothing assigned to the position yet, make sure this gets done. Make it that persons job to make sure all items dealing with proxy voting and voting are being done. But that I believe might take another motion? Or appointment by president or????

Page 14, Employees bonus', take out. comment: we have a policy in place that covers this.

Page 14, Employees, 3rd paragraph-take out "(cap?)".

Page 14, General Membership Meeting. After "Committee Reports" add "Other Reports" which would include ARPH, Finance etc.

Page 14, General Membership Meeting, change "Old Business" to "Unfinished Business"

Page 15, Programs change the word "plagiarize" to "use".

Page 16, Add all items listed at the bottom.

Page 17, Insurance Agent-Pending.

Page 17, Update Committee members

Comments: Time to move on this so those wanting to fill the current vacancy can have this in hand.

Voting:

Approve: Aufox, Berryessa, Davenport, Rossy, Warren

Disapprove: Adolphson, Toft, Trumbull-Clark

Motion is approved

LETTER OF DISSENT

I disapprove the motion "93:19 BOARD POLICIES--Directors Manual" due to the following:

- 1.) When this document was given to the Directors at Nationals, we were told we would all have the opportunity to suggest changes prior to final approval. The Board, as a whole, was not given this opportunity.
- 2.) There are several incorrect statements in this document which require correction prior to dispersal to members.
- 3.) There is at least one highly questionable statement in this document which should require, at minimum, discussion by the Board prior to inclusion in the document.

Accepting a document that is to be presented to the Membership as a "Manual" with known inaccuracies is irresponsible and not in the best interests of this Board or ASCA. The Board had enough time to revise this document, correcting the inaccuracies and allowing for complete discussion prior to the choice of a new Director to fill the vacancy in April, 2001. If this motion passes, the time, energy and work necessary by the Board and Office to make revisions and corrections will increase dramatically. Therefore, I disapprove this motion.

This Letter of Dissent is to be included in the Secretary's Report.
--Kyle Trumbull-Clark

LETTER OF DISSENT:

I agree in principle with the issuance of a Director's Manual/Handbook, however, on this date (12/6/00), I must respectfully disapprove of motion "93:19 BOARD POLICIES--Director's Manual" for the following reasons:

- 1) The original document was offered to the Board Members (Oct, 2000) in draft form for editorial review and comment. The closing for this comment period was not established at that time and has yet to be specified. Significant substantive and editorial corrections remain outstanding which include, but may not be limited to omissions, and errors. As a result, the document remains incomplete and potentially misleading to readers. The document remains in internal draft form and is of substandard quality with respect to potential external distribution. Potential Board members should expect a higher quality finalized professional document, and distribution of such a document is not in the best interest of the Board or other ASCA members.
- 2) The corrections specified in the motion represent only a selected subset of the potentially necessary changes, effectively biasing document content. Editorial comments and corrections from *ALL* Board members should be incorporated into this final draft prior to its acceptance. This would honor the original intent of the initial draft document-offering made in October of 2000. As of today's date, sufficient time exists for accomplishing this task. The urgency for Board approval of this document has not been sufficiently demonstrated. Utilizing the currently available time would provide greater overall efficiency to the Board compared with the alternative; proposed piecemeal corrections, additions, and deletions as they become identified and the subsequent voting which would follow.
- 3) Although the motion acknowledges through substance and implication that both content and format are draft, the motion does not stipulate that the document will be identified as "Draft" prior to its publication. Likewise, the motion does not stipulate that a draft date will be included in the publication.

4) It is not specified in the motion how often the document will be officially updated and republished with new corrections, additions. The motion does not specify who will be responsible for maintaining the updated information in the interim.

5) There are significant portions of this publication that need clarification with respect to the granting authority (i.e. whether the statements are a matter of written Board Policy, simply guidelines, Robert's Rules, author opinion or other documentation). Where possible these authorities must be referenced in the document for clarity.

This Letter of Dissent is to be included in the Secretary's Report.
--Peter Adolphson

93:19 BOARD POLICIES---Directors Manual

Motion by Warren, second by Aufox

I move to add or change the following in the Directors Manual:

Page 1:

First par.--Change to "RCW 24.03" only.

Fourth par.--Add the Treasurer as an officer

Page 6 change "ASCA Directors are responsible for working all ASCA Finals event or procuring officials to work those Finals." To read "ASCA Directors are responsible for working the Stockdog Finals."

Page 8, Third par.---Add Agility to list of Merit Programs.

"Board Conduct of Business", second par.--Change to read "Due to the restraints of IRS 501(c)7, ASCA non-member and investment income is restricted. This requirement must be kept foremost in mind when making any financial decisions. The rest remains the same.

Voting:

Approve: Unanimous

Motion is approved

93:19 BOARD POLICIES-Effective Dates for New Policies

Motion by Aufox, second by Davenport

The motion is to delete Policy Number 13.3.5 and have the following inserted in its place:

13.3.5 The Board of Directors may adopt, amend, cancel, or supplement all show, trial, testing programs, or other rules and/or regulations and procedures for the operation of the Club. All such rules shall be in writing and shall be published in the Aussie Times as soon as possible after enacted by the Board. Rules and regulations as adopted by the Board shall become effective as follows:

1. All rules, regulations and procedures effecting show or trial programs shall become effective upon publication in the Program RuleBook for that program.
2. All rules, regulations and procedures not effecting show or trial programs shall become effective thirty (30) days after publication in the Aussie Times.
3. In the event The Board of Directors determine that an emergency situation exists which in the Board's opinion could be detrimental to ASCA and/or its programs the Board may determine an effective date other than in subparagraphs (1) and (2) above.

The ASCA Business Office will be responsible for notifying the Secretaries, Chairs and Course Directors of any up-coming show/trials that will be affected by the rules changes, if the rules changes have not been published in the Aussie Times. If notification is not made, the rule change shall not be enforceable.

Program RuleBooks shall be updated and reprinted January 1 and June 1 of each calendar year.

This policy shall cancel any previous policy, memo or Board decision that regulates effective dates of rules, regulations, or procedures. This policy shall become immediately effective in accordance with subparagraph (2) above.

Comment: The rewording of this policy is necessary if the board adopts my proposed procedure on motions.

Voting:

Approve: Adolphson, Aufox, Toft, Trumbull-Clark

Disapprove: Berryessa, Davenport, Rossy, Warren

Motion is defeated

93:19 BOARD POLICIES---Employee Raises Policy

Motion by Adolphson, second by Davenport

Board Policy: 11.2

Employee raises and/or bonuses shall be determined at the annual Spring meeting of the ASCA Board. Any raises will become effective July 1, of each year.

Comments: No policy currently exists which specifies when annual pay raises are to become effective. This policy memorializes the timing of the implementation of pay raises. Because the currently expected schedule for subscription/membership renewal and year end tax considerations, it is anticipated that year end efforts will increase significantly and financial reviews will not be sufficiently complete until the end of the first quarter (March 31) of each year. The July 1 effective date allows for financial evaluation and discussion by the Board at the Spring meeting.

Voting:

Approve: Adolphson, Berryessa, Davenport, Rossy, Toft, Trumbull-Clark

Disapprove: Aufox, Warren

Motion is approved

93:19 BOARD POLICIES--Financial

Motion by Adolphson, second by Aufox

Board policy addition: 17.4

There will be prepared written annual and quarterly financial statements on the current status of ASCA's finances.

Quarters shall begin and end on a calendar schedule; Jan 1-March 31, April 1-June 30, July 1-Sept 30, Oct 1-Dec 31.

The Annual reports shall be as of December 31st of each year

The Board of Directors may request additional reports from time to time as they may require.

All Financial Reports shall contain supplemental reports comparing current

status to budget.

E) At the annual board meeting held at the Nationals there shall be presented to the full Board, for adoption, a budget for the forthcoming year.

Comments: Tracking the financial stability of the Club is of paramount importance to the successful viability and growth of the Club.

Voting:

Approve: Adolphson, Aufox, Davenport, Rossy, Toft, Trumbull-Clark, Warren

Disapprove: Berryessa

Motion is approved

00:19 BUDGETS--Ad Budget

Motion by Toft, second by Rossy

I move to accept the following advertising budget for 2001

BUDGET 2001

Australian Shepherd Annual---Full page color ad---\$250

Small Farm Today---\$128 for one year---Classified ad for one year

Clean Run magazine (Agility)---\$244.80---Classified ad for one year

Dog Fancy magazine---\$817---Classified ad for one year

Dog World magazine---\$967---Classified ad for one year

Front and Finish (Obedience and other performance events)---1 3/4 x 4" ad---\$384 for one year

GRAND TOTAL---\$2,791

I further move to accept the following ad copy for the classifieds for Dog World, Dog Fancy, and Small Farm Today. Ad copy for the Australian Shepherd Annual will be submitted via fax. We already have an ad running in Front and Finish and I move we leave it as is and continue running it. We already have an ad running in Clean Run and I move we leave it as is and continue running it.

AUSTRALIAN SHEPHERD CLUB OF AMERICA, INC.

Foundation Breed Club
Since 1957

Complete Registry Services and Conformation Show Program for Australian Shepherds.

Introducing Altered Conformation Championship Program in 2001!

Stockdog Trial Program for Herding Breeds

Agility, Obedience and Tracking for all Breeds.

ASCA Business Office, PO Box 3790, Bryan, TX 77805-3790

Phone: 979-778-1082 E-mail: asca@tca.net

Webpage: www.asca.org

Board voting:

Approve: Unanimous

Motion is approved

97:14 DNA and Genetics Committee---ASCA Lab

Motion by Adolphson, second by Berryessa

I move to replace any instance of "Immgen, Inc." found within the Registry Rules to read "ASCA Contracted Laboratories"

Motion by Kristin, second by CA Sharp

Voting:

In favor: CA, Kristin, Susan, Ann, Kim, Peter, Chris, Joan

non-voting: George

Board voting:

Approve: Unanimous

Motion is approved

97:14 DNA & GENETICS COMMITTEE--Policy

Motion by Adolphson, second by Rossy

Board Policy 9.1: I move that section 9.1 of Board policy read as follows:
"The issue of which lab to use for ASCA's parentage verification process will be delayed until ISAG chooses a standardized marker for canines. Until that time, ImmGen will remain as ASCA's central DNA laboratory. Those laboratories which coordinate with ImmGen and perform DNA testing using ImmGen's designated public domain markers may also be designated as ASCA approved laboratories."

Comments: This change is necessary to maintain compliance with ASCA's use of German and Canadian DNA laboratories.

Voting:

Approve: Adolphson, Berryessa, Davenport, Rossy, Toft, Trumbull-Clark, Warren

Abstain: Aufox

Motion is approved

96:17 JR. SHOWMANSHIP---Jr. Service Award

Motion by Toft, second by Berryessa

I move to run the following announcement in the March-April, May-June and July-August issues of the Aussie Times:

Nominations are now open for the 2001 ASCA Junior Service Award. Nominees must be an ASCA member but need not be an active competitor. The purpose of the award is to recognize Juniors who exhibit good sportsmanship and who provide selfless service to the Australian Shepherd, their local/National club and their own community. Letters must come from someone other than the Junior and/or their family. Letters must describe how the Junior has contributed to the dog community and cite specific examples of service/sportsmanship.

DEADLINE FOR ALL SUBMISSIONS: September 1, 2001

Send all nominations to Review Committee Chair: Kristin McNamara, 645 Palm St., Apt. 1, San Luis Obispo, CA 93401

Comment: I have discussed this with Kristin and she is willing to Chair this Committee again

Voting:

Approve: Unanimous

Motion is approved

90:03 SHOW RULES CHANGE--Conformation Committee Motions

Motions (3) by Davenport, second by Warren

#1. ACh OPTIONAL CLASS DIVISION REDUCTION:

Until Jan. 1st, 2003, Hosting clubs have the option of selecting the reduced class divisions for the Altered Program only:

6-12 mths

American Bred

Bred By Exhibitor

Open

These classes shall be divided by sex.

Clubs may still maintain the current ten class division if they so desire.

Effective Dates: Jan. 1st, 2001

To be added under Chapter 4: Dog Show Classifications after the mandatory class list and prior to Section 4.1.

Liason COMMENT: This motion was made in consideration of comments made at Nationals that it may be a hardship for clubs to offer a full slate of classes.

MOTION MADE BY SHELLY HOLLEN/SHEILA HALL

FOR: Kim Cochran, Teena Meadors, Beth Roop-Peterson, Wendy Finsterwald, Gemi Brickson, Liz Gibson, Lydine Denzin, Ann DeChant, Sheila Hall, Shelly Hollen

AGAINST: Mary Hellmeister, Denise Creelman, Sheree Sanchez

****MOTION PASSES****

Board voting:

Approve: Unanimous

Motion is approved

#2. The following change shall be made to the Altered rules concerning judges at the National Specialty:

****Authors note: The purpose of the motion is to open up the judging pool to include Approved Breeder Judges instead of just Senior Breeder Judges which are limited in numbers.****

CURRENT: ASCA approved Conformation Judges must be used. National Specialty Breeder judge restrictions shall apply to this program. Only Breeder judges may be eligible to judge this event at the National Specialty.

CHANGE TO: ASCA approved Conformation Judges must be used. Only Approved Breeder judges may be eligible to judge this event at the National Specialty.

MOTION: SHELLY HOLLEN/GEMI BRICKSON

FOR: Kim Cochran, Denise Creelman, Beth Roop-Peterson, Gemi Brickson, Liz Gibson, Lydine Denzin, Ann DeChant, Sheila Hall, Shelly Hollen

AGAINST: Teena Meadors, Mary Hellmeister, Sheree Sanchez, Wendy Finsterwald

****MOTION PASSES****

Board voting:

Approve: Adolphson, Aufox, Berryessa, Davenport, Rossy, Toft, Warren

Disapprove: Trumbull-Clark

Motion is approved

#3. The following wording be applied to Conformation Rules Section 4.13 and shall be a separate paragraph after section c.

****Authors note: The purpose of this motion is to better define what exactly is to occur during the judging of this non regular class.****

b. Stud Dog class shall consist of the sire and two (2) to four (4) of his progeny, two (2) of which must be at least six months of age or over and entered in a regular class. Entry for this class shall be in the name of the sire and none of his progeny shall be entered as a sire in this class. The Stud Dog may be neutered.

c. Brood Bitch class shall consist of the dam and two (2) to four (4) of her progeny, two (2) of which must be at least six months of age and over and must be entered in a regular class. Entry shall be in the name of the dam and none of her progeny shall be entered as a dam in this class. The Brood Bitch may be spayed.

In the Stud Dog and Brood Bitch classes, the merits of the Stud Dog and Brood Bitch are not considered in the placement of the entry. It is the quality of the get that forms the basis for the judges decision. All get must be examined and gaited. The Stud Dog and Brood Bitch must also be examined to determine if there is a condition that would require disqualification or excusal under ASCA Rules or the ASCA breed standard. In addition to the Stud Dog and Brood Bitch, all handlers must wear an armband designating the get being exhibited. This class may be held prior to or after Best of Breed Judging.

MOTION: SHELLY HOLLEN/GEMI BRICKSON

FOR: Kim Cochran, Teena Meadors, Denise Creelman, Beth Roop-Peterson, Sheree Sanchez, Gemi Brickson, Liz Gibson, Lydine Denzin, Sheila Hall, Shelly Hollen

AGAINST: Mary Hellmeister, Wendy Finsterwald, Ann DeChant

****MOTION PASSES****

Board voting:

Approve: Unanimous

Motion is approved

00:17 SUMMERS COMPLAINT

Motion by Trumbull-Clark, second by Aufox

I move to dismiss the complaint received from Wendy Summers and return the \$100.00 filing fee to her upon the recommendation of Charles Carnese, ASCA's attorney. That a letter be sent to Ms. Summers by the Executive Secretary which shall include the following reasons for the dismissal of the complaint:

1. There is a serious question as to whether the SCASC Board, in merely sending a letter without imposing any sanction, took "disciplinary action" under the dispute rules. The Board has the right to state its opinion of a member's conduct.

2. The complaint is based upon SCASC failing to comply with the dispute rules. Such would certainly be grounds to reverse a decision, but should not give rise to a separate, unrelated complaint such as this. The proper course of action would be an appeal of the decision to ASCA in accordance with the dispute rules.

3. This is a local dispute within the club that has no effect outside the club or upon ASCA. ASCA should not be involved in such a dispute unless it is an appeal under the dispute rules.

4. This appears to be an attempt to impose discipline upon board members for performing their duties as directors, which includes sending of the letter and preparation of minutes. As has been found by previous arbitration, a director cannot be disciplined for action taken in one's representative capacity as a director.

Clearly, all action that has been objected to was action taken by the directors of SCASC in their representative capacity. Since the action taken was action of the Board and was within its authority, under principles of corporate law, ASCA cannot take action against individual members thereof.

Voting:

Approve: Unanimous

Motion is approved

APPROVED: Ken Silveira unanimously approved to move from Provisional

Judge to Stockdog Judge

Joan Holmes unanimously approved as Stockdog Committee member

BUSINESS OFFICE REPORT

| REGISTRY | MEMBERSHIP | SHOW/STOCK |
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| Ind | New-Single | Sanc Rec'd |
| NFB | New-Dual | Sanc Proc'd |
| Litter | New-Foreign | Sanc Pend |
| Trans | New-Canadian | Results Rec'd |
| Lease | Renew-Single | Results Proc'd |
| LEP | Renew-Dual | Results Pend |
| Dups | Renew-Foreign | Certificates |
| Hardship | Renew-Canadian | S & T Subscrip |
| Pedigree | Jr. Times | |
| New Ken | Affiliate | |
| Renew Ken | | |

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| Judges Apps | SHOWS HELD |
| Email | |
| DNA Kits | Conf/Obed shows |
| DNA Tests | Stock |
| | Ranch |
| | Agility |
| | Tracking |

Kris Toft, Secretary

ALL AFFILIATES PLEASE NOTE

ASCA is no longer able to obtain insurance coverage for Affiliate Clubs as we have in the past. We now have a policy which covers ASCA and all US and Canadian Affiliate clubs for ASCA sanctioned shows/trials ONLY (American companies will not insure foreign Affiliates other than those in Canada). This policy will allow your club to obtain Certificates of Insurance for your ASCA sanctioned shows/trials just as you have in the past. It does not insure your Affiliate for any other events such as picnics, seminars, fun matches, etc. Your club is also not covered for things such as training classes, misdeeds by your Officers and Directors, losses of club equipment, etc.

In addition, ASCA's current insurer for ASCA sanctioned events charges an additional \$52.55 if your site asks to be added to our policy as an Additional Named Insured. If you choose to secure a site which has this requirement, your affiliate club will be required to pay this additional fee.

ASCA is strongly recommending to all Affiliates they obtain insurance on their own to cover their club for things other than liability at ASCA sanctioned events. We have two possible solutions for your club to consider. If neither of these is acceptable, your club is free to investigate other sources of coverage.

ASCA's own insurer is Horizons Insurance Agency, Inc. in Garland, Texas. They provide all types of insurance---Directors and Officers coverage, General Liability, Umbrella Liability, etc. They also provide "event" coverage which can be purchased as needed to cover any club events you may hold. You may call Horizons and discuss your needs with them at

800-950-2474.

The other company which offers complete coverage for Dog Clubs is Sportsmen's Insurance in New York. Several of our Affiliate Clubs already carry insurance through Sportsmen's. Sportsmen's has been in business for nearly 50 years and specializes in insuring all kinds of clubs concerned with animals. Dog clubs throughout the United States have used Sportsmen's for many years. Contact Sportsmen's for a complete package of their coverages and tell them you are with an ASCA Affiliate Club. Sportsmen's Insurance Agency Plan, Inc., PO Box 799, 1042 East Joseph St., Cape Vincent, New York 13618 Ph: 315-654-2068

Contact Insurance Liaison Kris Toft if you have any further questions regarding ASCA Insurance.