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### Secretary's Report

December 1-31, 1999

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.

92:21 ARPH

Motion by Tubbs, second by Berryessa

By request of ARPH I move that ASCA honor free LEP registration to ARPH adopted dogs as done in the past.

Comment: This is good PR for ASCA and not an expensive venture. It would do more good than harm.

Voting:

Approve: Berryessa, Gray, Hawley, Martin, Toft, Tubbs, Warren

Abstain: Trumbull-Clark

Non-voting: Harrell

Motion is approved

97:14 DNA COMMITTEE--Genotype of Deceased Dogs

Motion by Gray, second by Toft

I move to accept the following DNA procedure approved by the DNA Committee as ASCA Policy.

"I move ASCA use the following procedure for determining the genotype of a deceased dog (or otherwise unavailable) as regards parentage verification."

[Note: dog denotes either sex]

"In consultation with ImmGen Inc., through ASCA's DNA Committee/Board Liaison/ImmGen Inc. contact, eight (8) offspring of the unavailable dog and the mate or mates of the unavailable dog that allegedly produced these offspring must be DNA profiled.

If these criteria cannot be met, the party responsible for the unavailable dog must inform ASCA and must also consult with ImmGen Inc. through ASCA's DNA Committee/Board Liaison/ImmGen Inc. contact, so a POSSIBLE alternative plan might be devised. Any alternative plan will have to meet the 90% probability rule."

[Note: The 90% rule means that by producing eight (8) offspring, there is a 90% probability that all of the alleles of the unavailable dog, for each marker used for PV, will be present in the offspring and have been recorded.]

Rationale (Comment): Should it be necessary or desirable for parentage verification or other purposes to determine the genotype of a dog that is unavailable due to death, sale to another individual, etc., a mechanism for providing such information is necessary. To this end, the above procedure will provide for the determination of the DNA genotype of an individual with a 90% probability that all alleles for each marker used in PV are represented in the offspring, after having had these offspring typed. The mate or mates of the unavailable dog will provide a baseline for determining the missing parent's genotype. Any alleles present in the offspring, and not attributable to the known parent, must have originated with the missing parent. Given that there are a number of alternative scenarios for determining the probability of parentage (depending on what relatives of the missing dog are available), the party responsible for the missing dog will work with ASCA and ASCA's designated DNA lab(s) to determine which relatives need to be typed to reach the 90% probability.

Committee voting was as follows: George, Ann, Pete, CA, Sally, Chris, Peter, Kim--yes. Motion is approved.

Voting:

Approved: Unanimous

Motion is approved

97:12 EDUCATION COORDINATOR--ASCA Advertising Budget

Motion by Toft, second by Martin

I move to accept the following as the Advertising Budget for the year 2000

Dog World magazine---classified ad (107 words) \$139/mo.= \$1,668 total. Boxed ad in Breed section \$68/mo.= \$816 total. Published monthly---all breeds, available in pet stores/etc. and by subscription.

Circulation: 65,000/mo. Total COST: \$2,484

Dogs USA magazine---Full page ad with color photo. Published once per year in November (includes free classified ad). All breed magazine, available in pet stores, etc. No subscriptions.

Circulation: 500,000. Total COST: \$1,525

Puppies USA magazine---Full page ad with color photo. All breed magazine available in pet stores, etc. No subscriptions. Published once per year in May (includes free classified ad).

Circulation: 250,000 Total COST: \$1,237.50

Dog Fancy Popular Dogs Issue on Aussies---Full page ad, inside cover in color---published only once, approximately May, 2000. Stand alone issue on Aussie only.

Circulation: 35,000 possible reprint if need arises. Total COST: \$2,500

Australian Shepherd Annual---Published yearly, hard cover annual. Front cover ad--\$1,000. Australian Shepherds only.

Circulation: 600-700 Total COST: \$1,000

Clean Run magazine---1/8th page ad, \$50/mo. w/20% discount for 12 insertions---published monthly. No classified ads available.

Agility. Circulation: approx. 3,400 Total COST: \$480

Front and Finish magazine---1-3/4 x 4" ad, \$32/mo. = \$5.00 1 time set up charge--published monthly, classified also available. .60/word.

Obedience. Circulation: approx. 6,000 Total COST: \$389

Record Stockman---Business Card size ad---Buyer's Guide issue once per year. Stockdog/herding.

Circulation: 35,400 Total COST: \$135

Ranch Dog Trainer---Full page, inside cover---published bi-monthly. Feb/Mar issue will be a puppy book and approx. 3,000/yr for next 2 yrs will be handed out and there is a \$100 extra charge (approx) for that month only. Stockdog/herding by subscription.

Circulation: 2,500 Total COST: \$1,000

Education Booth---Gaines Finals---\$200, NADAC Finals---\$200 (both include shipping and supplies). Additional shipping/supplies---\$400

Total advertising---\$10,750.50

Total Education Booth---\$800

Total Proposed---\$11,550.50

Voting:

Approve: Berryessa, Gray, Martin, Toft, Trumbull-Clark, Tubbs, Warren

Disapprove: Hawley

Non-voting: Harrell

96:17 JR. SHOWMANSHIP--All Around

Motion by Berryessa, second by Tubbs

I move that the following be approved as a clarification of the All Around Junior Award:

The All Around Junior award in the ASCA Junior Program pays transportation costs to the ASCA National. The one paying the Junior's travel expenses will be reimbursed for either mileage or airfare to the National, whichever is less. Special circumstances, i.e. the Junior is unable to enter the current year's National, the BOD may allow the Junior to apply the award to the next year's National. Effective Jan. 1, 2000

Note: The clarification should be added to the Junior Rulebook under year End Awards on page 3 and Section IV--All Around on page 10.

Comments: I imagine that this would have to be sent to the Jr Committee for their approval also. I have not received a copy of the motion that was made years ago, so I am assuming that these clarifications were not present.

Voting:

Approve: Berryessa, Toft

Disapprove: Hawley, Martin

Abstain: Gray, Harrell, Trumbull-Clark, Tubbs, Warren

Motion is defeated

99:08 OBEDIENCE FINALS

Motion by Trumbull-Clark, second by Toft

I move to amend the Obedience Finals rules as recommended below by the Obedience Committee.

It has been moved, seconded and approved that we recommend to the Board that the following sentence be added to the Finals Rules when possible.

"There shall be no distinction in the Finals between any A or B class."

Approved: Bohren, Case, Baldwin, Mingus, Cyboron, Wolf, Link, Swatko

Non-voting: Heitz, Heschke

Voting:

Approve: Berryessa, Gray, Hawley, Martin, Toft, Trumbull-Clark, Tubbs, Warren

Disapprove: Harrell

Motion is approved

98:15 OBEDIENCE RULE CHANGE

Motion by Trumbull-Clark, second by Toft

I move to accept the following recommendation made by the Obedience Committee: (Effective 6/1/00)

It has been moved, seconded, and approved that we recommend to the Board the following changes, which would result in only two different judges being required for the three qualifying scores needed for a title.

Under Chapter 1. General Regulations, Section 12, remove word "different" i.e. "Where any of the following Sections of the regulations require that a dog shall have won a particular obedience title before competing in a particular obedience class, a dog may be shown in such a class at any obedience trial after the handler has been informed by three (3) Judges...." and "A dog may continue to be shown in a class for thirty (30) days after its handler has been notified by three (3) judges,...."

Chapter 3 Novice Section 4 CD Title, Remove the word "different" and change paragraph to read: ASCA will issue a Companion Dog certificate for each registered dog, and will permit the use of the letters "C.D." after the name of each dog that has been certified three (3) times by judges, two of whom shall be different, to have received Qualifying scores in Novice Class...."

Chapter 4 Open, Section 4, remove the word "different" and change Section 4 CDX Title paragraph to read: "ASCA will issue a CDX certificate for each registered dog, and will permit the use of the letters CDX after the name of each dog that has been certified by three (3) judges, two of whom shall be different, etc...."

Chapter 5 Utility, Section 4 UD Title remove the word "different" and change paragraph to read: "ASCA will issue a UD certificate for each registered dog and will permit the use of the letters UD after the name of each dog that has been certified by three (3) judges, two of whom shall be different, etc...."

Approved: Bohren, Case, Wolf, Cyboron, Mingus, Swatko, Baldwin, Link

Disapproved: None

Non-voting: Heitz, Heschke

Voting:

Approve: Berryessa, Gray, Hawley, Martin, Toft, Trumbull-Clark, Tubbs, Warren

Non-voting: Harrell

Motion is approved

91:24 OPENING HARDSHIP REGISTRY--AKC motion

Motion by Berryessa, second by Warren

I move that the ASCA BOD follow the proper procedures to place on the yearly ASCA ballot the following question:

Shall the ASCA Hardship registry rules be amended to allow hardship registration of AKC registered dogs?

Voting:

Approve: Unanimous

Motion is approved

Employees: Cost of living raises for all full time ASCA Business Office employees and Christmas bonuses for all ASCA Employees approved

Hired: Charles Carnese as ASCA Corporate Legal Counsel. Mr. Carnese will be sent to the April Board meeting and the 2000 Nationals if needed.

Retirement: Chic Acierto as ASCA Treasurer

Suspensions: Wildrose ASC--indefinite time period for non-payment of fees

#### CONFERENCE CALL

December 20, 1999

Meeting called to order at 8 PM CST by President Kathy Warren. All Directors except Michelle Berryessa and Jane Harrell were present. The Executive Secretary was also present

97:14 DNA Committee--Motion by Warren, second by Gray. I move to remove tail and dewclaws as DNA specimens from the Registry Rules. Effective thirty (30) days after having been printed in the Aussie Times.

Voting: Approve--Gray, Hawley, Martin, Toft, Trumbull-Clark, Tubbs, Warren

Absent: Berryessa, Harrell. Motion is approved.

MISC: Motion by Tubbs, second by Gray. I move to ratify all previous business. Approve: Gray, Hawley, Martin, Toft, Trumbull-Clark, Tubbs, Warren Absent: Berryessa, Harrell Motion is approved.

99:14 FINANCE COMMITTEE--Amended motion by Trumbull-Clark, second by Toft.

I move that a new committee be formed which shall at an initial level oversee our bookkeeper, receivables, payables and investments; generally oversee ASCA's financial needs; review all reporting from the bookkeeper and accountant prior to the Board's review; make nominations of new committee members to the Board when needed and fulfill whatever other duties they are given from the Board of Directors. This new committee shall be titled the "Finance Committee". The Finance Committee shall be governed by the ASCA Board of Directors.

That the members of the committee be as follows:

The Treasurer (shall be added at Nationals in 2000);

The Assistant Treasurer(s);

The President;

The First Vice President;

Up to three knowledgeable individuals who shall be from our membership. These individuals may be chosen due to their history as being a CPA, tax preparer, special financial knowledge, etc.

1. The term for each committee member shall be for a minimum of a year, two years would be preferred.

2. The Chair of the Committee shall be the Treasurer. Until a Treasurer can be chosen in October 2000, the President shall Chair the committee.

3. The Finance Committee shall check the monthly reporting and forward a finalized monthly report to the Board of Directors.

Voting:

Approve: Unanimous with all Directors present.

Motion is approved

#### 99:14 FINANCE COMMITTEE

Amended motion by Trumbull-Clark, second by Hawley

I move to appoint the ASCA Business Office Manager and an ASCA Board member as interim Assistant Treasurers.

The ASCA Business Office Manager's duties shall be:

To make all deposits and manage all payables and copy all reporting to :

- a. Our bookkeeper, in the manner chosen by the bookkeeper, and
- b. ASCA Board member (as Assistant Treasurer) on a weekly basis.

The ASCA Board Member's duties shall include but not be limited to:

- a. Supervise the ASCA Business Office Manager's duties;
- b. Send all reporting to the Finance Committee;
- c. ASCA Budgeting.

Voting:

Approve: Unanimous with all Directors present

Motion is approved

#### 99:14 FINANCE COMMITTEE

Motion by Trumbull-Clark, second by Toft

I move to appoint Michelle Berryessa as second interim Assistant Treasurer.

Voting:

Approve: Gray, Harrell, Hawley, Martin, Toft, Trumbull-Clark, Tubbs, Warren

Abstain: Berryessa

Motion is approved

#### 97:14 DNA Committee--DNA Complaint Resolution Policy

Motion by Martin, second by Gray

I move to table the motion regarding the DNA Complaint Resolution Policy so more discussion can take place.

Voting:

Approve: Berryessa, Gray, Harrell, Hawley, Martin, Trumbull-Clark, Tubbs, Warren

Disapprove: Toft

Motion is approved

#### ATTORNEY FILE--Attorney Policy

Motion by Gray, second by Warren

I move for as long as CW Carnese is on legal retainer to ASCA, the Policy on Directors contacting him is:

All ASCA Directors may contact CW Carnese and are encouraged to do so.

Voting:

Approve: Berryessa, Gray, Hawley, Martin, Toft, Trumbull-Clark, Tubbs, Warren

Disapprove: Harrell

Motion is approved.

Motion by Tubbs, second by Harrell to adjourn the meeting. Approve:

Unanimous. Meeting adjourned at 9:30 PM

Submitted by,

Jo Kimes

#### BUSINESS OFFICE REPORT

The Business Office has a new address: PO Box 3790, Bryan, TX 77805-3790

The Business Office has a new e-mail address: [asca@tca.net](mailto:asca@tca.net)

REGISTRY

MEMBERSHIP

SHOW/STOCK

Ind 523	New-Single 62	Sanc. Rec'd 13
NFB 38	New-Dual 12	Sanc. Proc'd 9
Litter 292	New-Foreign 0	Sanc. Pend 4
Trans 90	New-Canadian 0	Results Rec'd 16
Lease 4	Renew-Single 310	Results Proc'd 32
LEP 6	Renew-Dual 93	Results Pend 9
Dups 13	Renew-Foreign 2	S & T Sub. 9
Hardship 15	Renew-Canadian 5	Certificates 606
Pedigree 88	Jr Times 11	
New Ken 6	Aff. Rnw 11	
Rnw Ken 28		

Judge Apps 0  
Email 949  
DNA Kits 12  
DNA Tests 0

#### SHOWS HELD

Conf/Obed shows 27  
Stock 1  
Ranch 0  
Agility 8  
Tracking 0

Respectfully submitted,

Kris Toft, Secretary