

Secretary's Report

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

April 1 – April 30, 2006

Ballot Tabulation

Emergency Motion

Motion by Aufox, second DeChant.

I am making this emergency motion which needs to be voted on by Thursday, April 20th, due to the need to have the ballot envelopes addressed and labeled for the overseas (foreign) mailing.

I move to engage the accounting CPA firm of Tom Wallis to count and certify the ASCA® Ballots for the election of three directors and the counting of the polling of the Hardship and Stockdog Committee question for the 2006 ASCA® Elections. The engagement will be an hourly rate of \$65.00 which is estimated not to exceed \$2,000. This motion is seconded by Ann DeChant.

Rationale: The business office sought out other bids but were unable to get any offers. Many refused and others were more expensive. There was one offer which was obtained by Roger Stevens which was from a sole practitioner CPA. It was for an amount significantly less, about \$750. I feel that ASCA® cannot accept that offer. The main reason was that it was obtained by Roger who is a candidate in this year's election. We must avoid even the appearance of an impropriety. Jerry

Directors voting: Approve: Davenport, DeChant, Gray, Hellmeister, Bryant, Aufox Berryessa & Walter. Disapprove: Stevens (with comment). Motion is approved.

04:05 AGILITY COMMITTEE - Jump Height Cards

Motion by Bryant.

I move to accept the following motion from the agility committee.

Please note that the effective date can be listed as such in the June 1 rulebook. That will give people time to find out about it through the AT before going into effect.

Motion by Art Scott, with a second from Lisa Kurcharski.

Effective August 1, 2006.

Jump Height Cards

Section 2.2.2 Measurements - delete the first sentence and replace with the following:

Only dogs entering the Small and Medium dog classes (i.e., classes in which the dog's wither height is 18" and under) that do not have permanent NADAC or AKC height cards are required the measured. Copies of height cards may either be mailed

in or presented at trial check in.

Rational: AKC height cards require measurements by two (currently) measuring officials. Dogs are measured using a standardized measuring wicket to 1/8 of an inch at the withers. The cards give the average wither height of the dog in inches. This requires no effort on the part of the Business Office. It also will speed up and require less work at agility trial check-ins.

Directors voting: Approve: DeChant, Gray, Hellmeister, Walter, Aufox, Bryant, Berryessa & Davenport. Non-voting: Stevens. Motion is approved.

00:20 REGISTRY RULES - Sec 1.4.

Motion by DeChant, second by Hellmeister.

I move ASCA® Registry Rules, Section 1.4 – Individual Dog Registration – Rules and Procedures, Paragraph 5 be changed from:

The registration of any applicant dog, its parents, or grandparents with any registry as a breed other than that of an Australian Shepherd (e.g. Mini Aussie), whether prior to the date of the application or any time subsequent to the date of the application, will result in the applicant dog being ineligible for registration in the ASCA®'s registry. An ASCA®-registered dog shall not be registered now or in the future as any other breed. Doing so will void the ASCA® registration of the applicant dog and any subsequent progeny of that dog.

To:

The registration of any applicant dog, its parents, or grandparents with any registry as a breed other than that of an Australian Shepherd prior to the date of the application will result in the applicant dog being ineligible for registration in ASCA®'s registry. An ASCA®-registered dog shall not be registered now or in the future as any other breed. Registering as another breed will void the ASCA® registration of the dog.

Directors voting: Approve: DeChant, Gray, Hellmeister, Bryant, Walter, Aufox, Berryessa & Davenport. Non-Voting: Stevens. Motion is approved.

98:27 WEBMASTER - Website Extra projects

Motion by Walter, seconded by Berryessa.

I move that we allocate between \$900 - \$1,500 for our webmaster, Heidi Mobley, to work on the projects as outlined below.

Note: as per the original motion, new projects will be funded separately. Right now Heidi has a lot of new things for the website that need her attention.

I am requesting an additional 30-50 hours to work on the following projects. These hours would be additional to the 10 hours a week currently allotted for updates and maintenance of the ASCA® site.

National Coverage - List of winners of the past national specialties, photos of the winners. This would be for all areas of competition.

Photo Gallery - This would be photo galleries of multiple Aussies in all walks of life.

Work on WTCH and ATCH list including photos of each dog earning these titles. Already have the HOF and OTCH list on here and at this time I just update with photos as needed. Heidi

Directors voting: Approve: DeChant, Gray, Hellmeister, Bryant, Walter & Berryessa. Disapprove: Afox. Abstain: Davenport. Non-Voting: Stevens. Motion is approved.

Disapproved an Agility Judge Application

Denied a request for exception of a Hardship Registration

Dismissed a Complaint and upheld a DQ

Approved the following Breeder Judges to begin accepting assignments at the following levels:

Non-regular Judge

Maarten Walter

Regina Blair

Provisional Breeder Judge

Ron Moden

Shawna Beaty

Approved Breeder Judge

Tina Burks

Approved the following Committee Chairs for \$200 if they attend the 2006 Nationals.

Celeste Kelly, Tracking Committee Chair

Mike Bryant, SDC Chair

Lisa Cameron, Education Committee Chair

Chris Reedy, DNA & Genetics Committee Chair

Liz Gibson, Conformation Committee Chair

Terry Martin, BSRC Chair

Andrea Hoffmann, MVA Chair

Sue Graham, Agility Committee Chair

Janet White, Obedience Committee Chair