

March 2016 Secretary's Report

This report details the day-to-day activities of the ASCA Board of Directors. It includes issues brought before the Board of Directors through mail, fax, e-mail, and/or telephone communications. This report is respectfully submitted by Kalla Jaco, Executive Secretary.

Board Email Motions

BD.16.18 Add DNA Committee Exemption to 2.1

Approve: Unanimous
Motion carries.

Motion by Gray
Second by DeChant

I move to insert a paragraph to be placed below the last paragraph in 2.1 Committee Makeup to add the DNA Committee's exemption to read:

"Per November 2004 vote of the Board, the DNA Committee is exempt from regional representation and term limits."

Comment: In 2004 the board voted to exempt the DNA Committee from term limits and regional representation due to the fact that it is not a competition program and thus does not need regional representation. Because the Stockdog Committee's procedures, which differ from the Committee Procedures, are listed, it is appropriate to add the exemption of the DNA Committee as well. This will assure future Boards and Committees know what committees have a different procedure.

BD.16.19 Change to Policy 8.8.1 Description

Approve: DeChant, Dolan, Gray, King, Kissman, Silveira, Vest, Wesen
Disapprove: 0
Abstain: 0
Non-Voting: Gibson
Motion carries.

Motion by Gray
Second by Dolan

I move to add the following addition to Policy 8.8.1 Description:

i. All resolutions of ASCA's Policy will include the author's comments/rational when inserted into the Policy Book as a permanent record of the intent.

Comments: As the years pass Directors have interpreted ASCA's Policies different from the original intent of the resolution. By adding the author's comments to the Policy Book, it will assure the original intent of the policy remains intact, as it was intended, and not left for reinterpretation by following Directors.

Per Policy 8.8.4, the Executive Secretary was contacted for comment:

"I don't have any problem with the proposed motion. I can put the comment/rationale in italics under the policy/rule and note the implementation date. At first I thought it may clutter the policies/rules, and that intent can be researched in the Archives; but now I think it will be helpful and more transparent to

have the comments/rationale with the rule, and the inclusion will be more beneficial than cumbersome.”

CURRENT WORDING:

8.8 Motions

8.8.1 Description

In the Secretary’s Report, after each Board of Directors vote and how each Director voted, a short explanation of the motion will be given for clarity sake. The motion’s author is responsible for writing the explanation and it will go in the comments on the motion page to make it easier for the secretary to compile the Secretary’s Report.

Motions shall include the following:

- a. Subject: title of motion which can be related to a specific Section and/or Chapter of a change and/or an addition to rule(s) or title of a new item.
- b. Maker of the Motion; whether it is by Board liaison or committee member.
- c. Secunder of the motion. Motions by Board Committee liaisons do not need a second.
- d. Beginning of motion: I move to approve...
- e. Body of motion
- f. Comments; why motion is needed
- g. Party(s) effected (clubs, individuals, dogs, etc.) by the motion and how it will affect party(s); Example using motion concerning Stock Dog 60 day mandatory move-up rule: This motion will affect dogs that have not received two (2) started titles at the time the motion is passed.
- h. Effective date of motion; Example: This motion will go into effect on a specific effective date. Lacking an effective date, the motion will go into effect 30 days after publication in the Aussie Times.

Board Teleconference Meeting Minutes

March 10, 2016

Present: President Ann DeChant, 1st Vice President Preston Kissman, Treasurer Pete Dolan, Director Linda Gray, Director Cindy King, Director Rachel Vest, Director Jan Wesen, Executive Secretary Kalla Jaco

Absent: 2nd Vice President Laura Gibson, Secretary Ken Silveira

There is a quorum with 7 voting members of the Board present.

DeChant called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm Central Time.

Items in Executive Session:

There were three items that were discussed in Executive Session below. The times are marked for when ES was entered and exited.

- Gibson joined the meeting at 6:01 pm.

Ratify February Email Votes

BD.16.25 Ratify February Email Votes

Approve: DeChant, Dolan, Gibson, Gray, King, Kissman, Vest, Wesen

Disapprove: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: Silveira

Motion carries.

Motion by Kissman

Second by Wesen

I make a motion to ratify the February email votes.

- Counsel Chuck Carnese joined the meeting at 6:03 pm.

February Treasurer's Report

Dolan gave the Treasurer's Report for February. There is \$142,195 in the Chase checking account, \$150,442 in the Chase savings account, and \$100 in the Chase wire account. There is \$176,650 in the Raymond James investment account.

There is \$46,502 in the Additional Event Membership Dues account. This is broken down into the following for each program: Agility \$24,357; Conformation \$9,400; Obedience \$1,279; Rally \$2,197; Stockdog \$6,362. Balance over last year is down significantly, but that is expected due to system upgrade costs.

- Silveira joined the meeting at 6:06 pm.

Kissman questioned whether the expenses associated with the new computer system could be listed as an asset. Dolan will look into this and report back to the Board at the Spring Meeting.

There were increases in income from member services (\$5,708), membership dues (\$2,280), program income (\$3,087), and registry services (\$5,872). There were decreases in income from Aussie Times ads (-\$2,395) and gain/loss on securities (-\$6,459). There were increases in expenses for Aussie Times postage (\$5,603), Aussie Times printing (\$1,109), Aussie Times mail preparation (\$2,006), computer (\$55,556), insurance (\$1,619), office expenses (\$2,389), payroll expenses - temp (\$5,573), printing and reproduction (\$1,493), and professional fees (\$1,000). There were decreases in expenses from advertising (-\$458), Director/Office reimbursement (-\$3,602), equipment rental (-\$1,195), member services (-\$1,404), payroll (-\$2,584), postage and delivery (-\$3,739), and professional development (-\$633). Net income through December 2015 is -\$31,115.22.

BD.16.26 February Treasurer's Report

Approve: DeChant, Gibson, Gray, King, Kissman, Silveira, Vest, Wesen

Disapprove: 0

Abstain: Dolan

Absent: 0

Motion carries.

Motion by Vest

Second by Gray

I motion to approve the February Treasurer's report as presented.

System Upgrade

Vest reported to the Board that there has been a delay in the completion of the system upgrade. There was an issue with the lead developer resulting in time mismanagement, and he has been replaced with someone who has already been working closely with the Office Manager on this project. FrogSlayer has

requested delaying the project completion until November 2016 – at no additional fee. They would like to roll it out in modules: the first would be membership and dog/puppy registry; the second would be show results and sanctioning; the third would be show reports and getting the program into the cloud. The Office Manager will look into whether this type of roll-out will work in conjunction with our current package. The Board will wait to commit to a course of action moving forward until hearing back from the Office Manager, and until seeing a recovery plan in writing from FrogSlayer. The Board is meeting with a representative from FrogSlayer at the Spring Meeting in April.

- ✚ The Board entered Executive Session. Only the notice of the person's violation and the penalties assessed are published below.

Registry Dispute

The Board came to a decision on a registry dispute, investigated by Silveira. The Board determined to amend the ownership of Vulcanos Joe Black of Energies to the original co-ownership between Manuela Mayer and Natascha Graeb.

Member/Affiliate Dispute

The Board dismissed allegations from a letter of complaint against a member and Affiliate Club.

Member Request

The Board denied a member request.

- Carnese left the meeting at 7:40 pm.

- ✚ The Board exited Executive Session.

Agility Course Reviewers

Gibson wanted to gauge the Board's favorability towards paying Agility Course Reviewers. This had been brought to a previous Board, who turned it down. Most Directors were not in favor of ASCA paying Agility Course Reviewers, but would consider a proposal that built the cost of paying the reviewers into Affiliates holding an agility trial. It was requested that this be done with minimal involvement from the Business Office. The Board also discussed requesting that the Agility Committee look into removing the position of course reviewer altogether and possibly move toward using a book of pre-approved courses.

2016 Budget

Kissman, Liaison to the 2016 National Specialty, presented the Host Club's proposed Finals Budget to the Board. Overall, the Budget is in line with other recent Finals budgets. It was noted that most of the previous year's actual expenditures ended up being under budget by thousands of dollars. The proposed 2016 awards expenditures (\$24,312) were compared to 2015 (\$12,026) and 2014 (~\$16,000), and the Board spent time discussing that. The majority of the Board believed that the proposed 2016 budget is too high and should be more in line with 2014/2015. The Board was also concerned about an inequity of value of awards between programs. As an example; the top Conformation Awards were \$200 each and the Stockdog Awards were \$400 to \$500. The Board believes that the top awards between the programs should be of equal value. The Board also wants to see and approve the Stock and Facilities agreements before approving the budget. This issue has been added to the agenda for the Spring Meeting in April.

Gibson made a motion to approve the 2016 Finals Budget as proposed, seconded by Kissman; but after further discussion the motion was withdrawn.

Motion to adjourn by Gray.

DeChant called the meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm.

Judge Approvals

Provisional Stockdog Judge Gail Winnick (Michigan)
Provisional Stockdog Judge Tenley Dexter (Kentucky)
Apprentice Agility Judge Peggy Meersman (Belgium)
Senior Breeder Judge Susan Rossy (Missouri)
Approved Breeder Judge Tammy Seaman (New Mexico)
Approved Breeder Judge Terri Burkart (California)
Non-Regular Breeder Judge Betty Jaco (Texas)
Non-Regular Breeder Judge Kalla Jaco (Texas)
Open Obedience Judge Sunday Miles (Michigan)