

**AUSTRALIAN SHEPHERD CLUB OF AMERICA
SPRING BOD MEETING
APRIL 12-13, 2012
MEETING MINUTES**

Thursday April 12 , 2012

Meeting called to order at 9:32 AM CDT by Russ Ford/ASCA President

Those present: Ronnie Bates/Director, Pete Dolan/Executive Secretary-elect, Russ Ford/President, Rick Gann/Secretary, Linda Gray/Director, Jo Kimes/Interim Executive Secretary, Greg McClintock/ Treasurer, Rachel Vest/Director. Present via telephone: David Clayton/Second Vice President, Tenley Dexter/Director. Absent: Peter Hellmeister/First Vice President.

Sandy McClintock – ASCA member (present throughout the meeting less executive sessions)

1. Ratify electronic votes on March, 2012 motions:
Motion by: Vest
Second by: Gray
Approve: Unanimous Absent: Hellmeister. Motion is approved.
2. The Board held a discussion, led by Director McClintock, concerning voting on motions using e-mail as it might be governed by Washington State law. The thrust of the discussion was possible revisions to Board voting procedures and more extensive use of the regularly scheduled teleconferences. The Board decided to make no changes pending research and advice from counsel.
3. Meet with Ray Fryar, Office Manager:
 - a. Report State of the Office: The office is in good shape and manned as follows:
Stockdog/Rally/Tracking: Michelle Mounce
Agility/Affiliate Insurance: Adrienne Karli
Obedience/Conformation/Junior Showmanship: Gicela Sotelo
Registrar: Sarah Jackson
Backlogs are minimal.
 - b. DNA Status and Therion Contract: A contract is in place. Therion is responsive and providing reasonable service. Various Directors noted areas of concern and discuss these areas.
 - c. Staff to the National Specialty: The Office Manager attends every National Specialty. There is no reason for other staff members to attend. Ray discussed removing the requirement to provide a “Stockdog Box” at the Stockdog Finals.
 - d. Election Ballot: ASCA will employ Election Trust for the election. This year’s mailing will have the ASCA seal on the envelope so that members recognize the envelope as an ASCA mailing. The ballot will include sections for the membership to vote on the Breed Standard revisions section by section. An example ballot is attached. The Board noted that there was one correction required (Section labeled “By-laws changes” should read “Breed Standard Revisions”. (attachment 1)
 - e. Sue Rossy volunteered to contribute her complete Aussie Times collection to ASCA. The Board, by consensus, approved the acquisition of the collection with ASCA paying shipping (approximately \$150). The Board directed the Office Manager to proceed with the acquisition.
4. Meet with staff – general meeting: The Board met with the office staff for introductions and short descriptions of each staff member’s job.

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The Board went to executive session at 11:27 CDT to discuss the Office Manager's performance evaluation and salary increase.

Exit executive session at 11:34.

5. The Board met with Rick Larson, ASCA's patent and trademark attorney. Mr. Larson provided a progress report about renewal of ASCA's service/trademarks. All marks requiring renewal have had examiners assigned. Mr. Larson stated that the entire process should complete in 12 to 14 months. He will provide a management spreadsheet to the Business Office Manager so that the office can monitor renewal dates to preclude future lapses.
6. The Board met with the Office Manager to discuss staff wages.

Recessed for lunch at 12:00 PM CDT

Reconvened at 1:06PM CDT

7. The Board met with Tom Wallis, ASCA's accountant. Mr. Wallis presented letters of engagement for ASCA and The ASCA Foundation audits. The audit costs are up 5% from last year. Mr. Wallis suggested the Board include more financial information in its minutes in an effort to display its discussion of financial/fiduciary responsibilities.
8. Treasurer's Report: Director McClintock, the Treasurer, reviewed the approved Financial Procedures Manual and gave a copy to Mr. Wallis for his review/comment as it pertains to the audit process. Mr. Wallis stated that the manual stated policy. As a complement specific procedures should be generated to support the manual. The Treasurer also presented the quarterly (Jan-Mar) financial reports including a Balance Sheet, a budget versus actual Profit and Loss Sheet, and a quarterly comparison between last year and this year. The Treasurer reviewed some of the figures explaining how ASCA seems to be doing better than expected.
The Board discussed investment accounts which might provide more long term earnings. There was a discussion concerning engaging a financial adviser.
9. 2011 National Specialty Finals Reimbursements
 - a. Director Bates assumed duties as Board liaison to RRVASC to complete the 2011 Finals reimbursement process including the justification receipts.
10. The Board discussed paying stipends to Committee chairs to attend the 2012 Nationals as delineated in the Committee Procedures. The Treasurer will review the process and advise the Board of recommended changes to the policy. As a minimum, the current policy needs clarification. The Committee liaisons did not nominate any committee chairs to receive the stipend for this year.
11. Board Working Stockdog Finals: Directors Bates, Clayton, Ford, Gann, Gray, McClintock, Vest, and the Executive Secretary will be available to work the Stockdog Finals. Directors will not act as runners. The 2012 National Specialty Board liaison (Director Gray) will coordinate Director working assignments with the host club show committee chair.
12. Strategic Plan (Bates): Director Bates discussed updating the Strategic Plan referencing the appropriate section of the Policy Book and noted that the Board was behind in updating

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the plan. He distributed copies of the current plan to Board. The Board redid the update schedule to support updating the Strategic Plan at the National Specialty meetings. Director Gann (acting for the 2nd Vice President will solicit the program committees for their inputs to update Strategic Plan. The Board added Ray Fryar to the Strategic Planning Committee.

13. The Board set meeting dates for the 2012 Nationals (Ford). The Board will meet on November 3rd, 5th and 7th. Scheduled time for the meetings on November 3rd and 7th is 9:00AM PST. The November 5th meeting will be an evening meeting.

14. Overall Technology Plans (Ford): The Board discussed goals and objectives for updating/replacing ASCA's data management system. The Board formed a committee consisting of the Office Manager and Directors Bates, Gann and Vest. The committee tasking is to flesh out the structure and business requirements for ASCA's software system using the baseline established last year by the Texas A&M analysis, then define a scope of work. The committee is to issue a status report within 90 days and have three quotes available for Board discussion at the 2012 National Specialty meetings.

15. Affiliate Insurance Discussion: The Board discussed affiliate club insurance issues focusing on exactly what ASCA insurance covers. ASCA insurance is designed to protect ASCA not the affiliates. Each individual affiliate should have its own insurance policy. The discussion included whether to require affiliates to show proof of insurance as part of the sanctioning process. The Board tabled the discussion until able to consult counsel.

16. 2014 National Specialty: Director Vest provided a National Specialty Executive Committee status update. The update included a basic outline of the approach to have the Board conduct the 2014 National Specialty using the Greeley, Co site. The ASC of Florida submitted its intent to apply letter in December and submitted its application to host the 2014 National Specialty on April 10, 2012. The Executive secretary will advise Lori Fausett that the application, as submitted, is incomplete.

17. Director Dexter led a Board discussion of the membership status of the Conformation Committee.

Conformation Committee Nominations

Motion by Dexter

I move to add Mary Hellmeister (region 2) and Clarissa Shank (region 2) to the Conformation Committee.

Voting as follows:

Mary Hellmeister Approve: Unanimous Absent: Hellmeister

Clarissa Shank Approve: Bates, Dexter, Ford, Gann, Gray, McClintock, Vest; Abstain:

Clayton Absent: Hellmeister The motion is approved.

New Business

18. Motion to resolve item 3c above.

Policy Book

Motion by Ford

Second by Bates

I move to remove section 9.5 Stockdog Finals Box from the Policy Book and renumber the following sections. The Secretary will update the Policy Book. The liaison will advise the

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host club that the box will not come to the Stockdog Finals and provide a list of required items. Motion to be effective immediately

Voting as follows:

Approve: Unanimous Absent: Hellmeister The motion is approved.

BoD meeting suspended at 6:00 PM CDT; the meeting will resume on April 13th at 9:30 AM CDT.

Friday April 13 , 2012

Meeting resumed/called to order by President Russ Ford at 9:35 AM CDT

Present: Ronnie Bates/Director, Pete Dolan/Executive Secretary elect, Rick Gann/Secretary, Russ Ford/President, Linda Gray/Director, Jo Kimes/Interim Executive Secretary, Greg McClintock/ Treasurer, Rachel Vest/Director, Chuck Carnese/ASCA Attorney. Present via telephone: David Clayton/Second Vice President, Tenley Dexter/Director Absent: Peter Hellmeister/First Vice President.

New Business

1. Assistant Treasurer

Motion by Ford

Second by Vest

I move to appoint Sandy McClintock as ASCA Assistant Treasurer.

Voting as follows:

Approve: Unanimous Absent: Hellmeister The motion is approved.

Old Business

2. Further discussion of the 2014 National Specialty – The Board discussed various approaches to conducting the National Specialty. Because of a change in circumstances the committee formed in Wisconsin has completed its work. The Board disbanded this committee and formed a new Executive Committee (consisting of Directors Gann, McClintock and Vest) to investigate and plan for conducting the 2014 National Specialty at either a site in Tennessee or the Greeley, CO site. The committee chaired by Director Gann is to provide preliminary information to the Board within 90 days.

New Business

3. Director Clayton led a discussion concerning DNA problems and developing methods to resolve these problems. Will Gergits, CEO of Therion, joined the meeting via telephone. The problems identified include incorrect sires, incorrect dams, and problems with some lines. Some problems stem from changing labs. Mr. Gergits gave a presentation concerning the Therion's implementation of ASCA's DNA program identifying collection problems associated with the various methods available. Upon completion of the presentation the Board and Mr. Gergits engaged in an extensive Q&A session. Suggestion was made to post the presentation on the web site. If there are additional questions the Board will call Mr. Gergits at 2:30PM CDT.

Daniel Erwin, representing the three defendants in the Westerman lawsuit, joined the meeting at 11:05 AM CDT. The Board entered executive session to discuss the Westerman lawsuit.

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Recessed for lunch at 12:17PM CDT

Resumed the meeting in executive session at 1:53PM EDT

Out of Executive session at 2:01PM CDT

4. The Executive Secretary will notify Director Hellmeister of the upcoming Board vote.

2004:05 AGILITY COMMITTEE - Motion 24-2011 Faults

Motion by Hellmeister

I move to accept the following recommendation of the Agility Committee

Motion by Pamela, 2nd by Sue Voting: all 13 members voted 'yes'. Motion effective date: 08/01/12

Current verbiage in Section 8.1 is as follows:

Section 8.1 - Handling Faults

The handler is allowed to use verbal or visual commands to assist the dog throughout the course. All commands must be given in a sportsmanlike manner. Any commands not given in a spirit of good sportsmanship shall be faulted. The judge shall assess the faults to be equivalent to the degree of the offense, from a five (5) fault penalty to elimination. Displays of anger, foul language or excessive harshness shall always be faulted. Any handler eliminated from the ring for poor sportsmanship shall be excused from the remainder of the trial and a written report shall be sent to the ASCA Business Office. If the judge feels any handler has treated a dog in an inhumane manner, the handler shall be removed from the Agility grounds and a report shall be submitted to the ASCA Business Office.

Dogs shall be assessed five (5) faults for assistance per occurrence in the Regular and Jumpers Classes. For the Gamblers class, points for an obstacle will not be awarded for the faulted obstacle.

*Faults shall include, although not limited to, the following:

- *Delay of Start- If, in the judge's opinion, there is an excessive delay in starting a run after being given the signal to begin OR if there is an excessive delay in entering the ring, the judge may assess a Delay of Start fault. (Note: For gamblers class, 5 points will be deducted from the dog's opening point total.)
- *Handler touching the dog while on course.
- * Handler touching an obstacle while on course.
- * Handler conspicuously leading the dog through the course by appearing to have food as a lure the dog.
- * Handler physically assisting the dog at the start line. The dog must be free to cross the start line on his own. If the handler pushes or shoves the dog forward to assist the start, it shall be faulted.
- * Spectators influencing the dog's performance. Dogs shall be faulted if the handler loses their direction and is assisted back on course by the spectators. Judges may also fault the dog's performance if they believe the crowd artificially stimulated the dog in an effort to improve the dog's course run. However, cheering will not be faulted if it is done in a sportsmanlike manner for all participants.
- * Handler intentionally blocking the judge's view.
- * Handler physically body blocking the dog so as to remove any choice for the dog to perform an obstacle on command, but instead forcing a particular path for the dog.

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Dogs shall be **eliminated** for the following occurrences:

- * Aggression on the course towards any person or dog. See Section 1.5
- * Fouling the course area before, during or after their run.
- * Leaving the course area.
- * Being out of control, as viewed by the judge. The judge may choose to eliminate a dog for being out of control at any time that the judge feels that the dog is not trained to a level to perform the obstacles in a safe manner, thereby endangering the dog, the handler or any other person or dog at the event.
- * Exiting the ring NOT on leash and NOT under the handler's control.
- * Exceeding the maximum course time.
- * Training in the ring, during their run. However, the dog and handler will not be excused for training in the ring, provided that no harsh words or measures are employed by the handler. Gentle training in the ring is encouraged, in the interest of safety and motivation, if done within the Standard Course Time (SCT) for that class. Exhibitor will be asked to leave the ring once Standard Course Time has been reached.
- * Running with a collar. Judges shall eliminate a dog for running with a collar. The judge should instruct the handler to exit the ring immediately or that they may remove the collar and continue the run up to the time limits indicated for training in the ring (Standard Course Time).
- * Food, treats or toys being used or brought within 10 feet (3.1 meters) of, or into the agility trial arena.

****Add the following to the '5 Faults' Section****

*** Dog nipping at handler.**

****Add the following to the 'Eliminated Faults' Section****

*** Dog repeatedly (three times or more) nipping at handler or making contact with clothing or handler.**

*** Handler intentionally touching the dog, aiding in or rewarding the dog's performance while on course.**

*** Handler exhibiting un-sportsman like behavior in the agility ring, such as verbally abusing the judge or ring crew, or verbally or physically abusing the dog.**

Existing verbiage Section 8.2 Obstacle Faults, 1st bullet reads:

Running the Wrong Course - 10 faults (Regular Agility and Jumpers Classes)

The dog is faulted for running the wrong course when it commits itself to an obstacle that is out of sequence or is in the wrong direction as defined by the course design. A dog is committed to an obstacle when all four (4) paws have touched, crossed over, under or through an obstacle that is out of sequence. The dog is faulted for running a wrong course if it commits to an obstacle in the incorrect direction as determined by the course design. (For example: If a dog entered the correct end of an open tunnel, backed out, then re-entered and completed it correctly, no faults would be assessed. If the dog entered the tunnel from the incorrect end with all four (4) paws then ten (10) faults would be assessed for running a wrong course.)

Amend by adding the following to the end of the paragraph:

Exception to the off-course fault would be the weave poles. If the weave poles are the correct obstacle as defined by course design and the dog crosses through the weave poles in the incorrect direction or at the incorrect pole, dog shall not be faulted for an off course. Dog would be faulted for crossing through the weave poles in any direction with

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all four (4) paws if the weave poles are not the correct obstacle as defined by course design.

Add the following (new bullet) to Section 8.2 - Obstacle Faults:

Handler - Obstacle - 10 Faults

* Handler crossing over, under, or through the ramp or plank of a contact, in to or over a tunnel, or over the fabric portion of the chute.

Voting as follows:

Approve: Unanimous Absent: Hellmeister The motion is approved

2004:05 AGILITY COMMITTEE - Motion 03-2012 Equip. list in premium

Motion by Hellmeister

I move to accept the following recommendation of the Agility committee.

This motion passed with a tally of 11 Yes, 1 No (Kathy), 1 NV (Ally).

Motion by Pamela, 2nd from Robin

Motion to describe types of equipment to be used at a trial

Motion effective 8/1/12

Change the highlighted line (9th bullet) in section 2.1.6.1 from:

2.1.6.1 Premium – Required Information

The Agility Trial Premium shall include the following information:

- The proposed date and location of the trial.
- A full description of the trial's ring surfacing (grass, grass/dirt, sand, matting over concrete, carpet, sod, shavings, etc.)
- A listing of all classes offered for each day
- A listing of entry fees and description of any discounts or price reductions offered.
- The date and time for the closing of entries.
- A statement either allowing for day-of-trial entries or for accepting pre-entries only.
- A description of prizes and awards and a description of how High in Trial awards (if offered) are to be calculated.
- The name(s) of the judge(s)/alternate judge(s) who is/are to officiate.
- A listing of the individual obstacles, including the type of contact (slatted or slat-less), which will be available for use at the trial.
- A description of any restrictions for entry into the trial.
- A statement that the trial will be held under the current rules and regulations of ASCA.
- A statement that no entry shall be accepted from a dog or handler disqualified from the ASCA agility program; a dog or handler disqualified from all ASCA programs; or a person not in good standing with ASCA. A list of such dogs will be supplied by the business office along with the sanctioning paperwork.
- An official ASCA approved entry form shall be included (see next section).
- The name, phone number and email address of the trial secretary and trial chairperson. Other trial officials may also be listed.
- A copy of the current Service Membership and Tracking Number Application (not required for the ASCA Nationals and pre/post trial premiums).

To:

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- A statement either allowing for day-of-trial entries or for accepting pre-entries only.
- A description of prizes and awards and a description of how High in Trial awards (if offered) are to be calculated.
- The name(s) of the judge(s)/alternate judge(s) who is/are to officiate.
- A listing of the individual obstacles, including the type of contacts (slatted or slat-less), type of contact surface (paint and sand, rubber, etc.), type of tire if used (displaceable or non-displaceable), type of closed tunnel if used (solid barrel or safety tunnel-chute design), and the spacing of the weave poles.
- A description of any restrictions for entry into the trial.
- A statement that the trial will be held under the current rules and regulations of ASCA.
- A statement that no entry shall be accepted from a dog or handler disqualified from the ASCA agility program; a dog or handler disqualified from all ASCA programs; or a person not in good standing with ASCA. A list of such dogs will be supplied by the business office along with the sanctioning paperwork.
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- A copy of the current Service Membership and Tracking Number Application (not required for the ASCA Nationals and pre/post trial premiums).

The rationale for the motion is to give exhibitors as much information as possible since ASCA clubs have a variety of options available regarding equipment.

Voting as follows:

Approve: Unanimous Absent: Hellmeister The motion is approved

98:05 CONFORMATION COMMITTEE - motion #37 Chapter 7.6 rule clarification

Motion by Dexter

I move to approve the following Conformation Committee motion:

This motion passes the CC.

Yes- Liz, Linda, Jill, Kathi, Gail, Sunday, Rhonda, Dorothy, Ann

No- n/a

Motion by Linda with a second by Liz

Motion: Clarification of 7.6 in the Conformation Show Rules and Regulations

I, Linda Braun, move to approve clarification of who a conformation judge cannot pass judgment on. This is further expansion and clarification of Section 7.6 of the Conformation Show Rules and Regulations

TO READ:

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SECTION 7.6: A conformation Judge shall not pass judgment on:

A: Any dog he, or a member of his immediate family or household, owns, co-owns or has ever owned, co-owned, bred, co-bred or held under lease. The judge's immediate family or household includes: spouse, parent, child, sibling, grandparent, grandchild or any combination by marriage, or any person residing with the judge.

B: Any dog he, or a member of his immediate family or household, has in the preceding twelve (12) months, boarded, trained, instructed, bred to or handled in any Conformation ring.

C: A handler he, or a member of his immediate family or household, has trained or instructed in the preceding twelve (12) months. "Trained" or "Instructed" applies equally to judges who train both professionally and as amateurs.

D: A handler who has exhibited any dog for said judge, or a member of his immediate family or household, in any competitive event for the purpose of being judged, regardless of the breed and/or registry, within the preceding twelve (12) months.

E: A handler who is an employer, employee, or independent contractor of said Judge, has resided with the Judge within the preceding twelve (12) months, and/or is a person with whom the Judge, or his immediate family, has traveled with or stayed with in the preceding twelve (12) months.

F: A handler from whom the Judge has acquired dog(s) for the purpose of ownership, or a handler who has acquired dog(s) from said Judge, for the purpose of ownership, within the preceding twelve (12) months.

Comment: The objective of this motion is to give guidance and direction in matters of Conflicts of Interest.

AS READS NOW:

SECTION 7.6: A conformation Judge shall not pass judgment on:

A: Any dog he, or a member of his immediate family or household owns, co-owns, bred or co-bred.

B: Any dog he, or a member of his immediate family or household has owned, co-owned, held under lease, Boarded, regularly trained, instructed or handled (more than twice) in the conformation ring in the preceding twelve months.

C: A handler he, or a member of the immediate family or household has trained or instructed on more than two occasions in the preceding twelve months. "Trained" or "Instructed" applies equally to judges who train professionally or as amateurs. The judge's immediate family or household includes: spouse, parent, child, sibling, grandparent, grandchild or any combination by marriage, or any person residing with the judge.

Voting as follows:

Approve: None; Opposed: Unanimous; Absent: Hellmeister The motion is not approved.

2011:32 HISTORY COMMITTEE - Publication for ASCA

Motion by Gray

I move to approve the following History Committee motion:

Motion by Jeanne Joy

2nd by Robbi

I would like to propose we put together a publication for ASCA of the early foundation dogs. We

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can catalog dog's name, include a pedigree and photos (similar to what Kristen and I had spoken about for the pedigree site when it's able). I would also like to see anecdotes of the foundation dogs (either typed or through scanned copies of old handwritten letters with historical significance mentioning the dog. 1980 would be the cutoff to be included at this time. Yes votes from Robbi, Kay, Jeanne and Sunday.
Motion passes unanimously.

Voting as follows:

Approve: Unanimous Absent: Hellmeister The motion is approved.

5. Aussie Times: Director Dexter provided information provided by the AT editor concerning possible cost saving measures related to production and mailing of the AT. The Board discussed these items. Following the discussion Director Dexter committed to providing a motion concerning these cost savings for the next voting cycle.
6. Revision of Board voting procedure: ASCA counsel explained how e-mail voting fits into the way the Board conducts its day to day business. Counsel will research the topic and provide the Board with additional information/recommendations.
7. Revision of Judges Code of Ethics (JCOE): ASCA counsel explained the intent behind the drafting of the Judges Code of Ethics. The JCOE is the vehicle to allow the Board to discipline judges. The Board formed a committee consisting of Directors Bates and Gann and ASCA counsel tasked to determine how to proceed on this matter.
8. The Board met with Gicela Sotelo and Adrienne Karli at their request.
9. Director Discipline: ASCA counsel explained/discussed what behavior might subject a Director to discipline. The process for removal of a Director was made purposely difficult.
10. Easement request from the city of Bryan: The Office Manager provided information concerning an easement related to sewer construction. Granting the easement will require a vote of the Board of Directors.
11. Affiliate certificate of insurance: Require each affiliate to submit a certificate of insurance with each event sanctioning request. Counsel will submit a letter to the Board defining this requirement.
12. Roger Stevens Judge Status (Bates/Carnese): President Ford directed the Executive Secretary to write a letter to Roger Stevens disapproving his request for reinstatement as a stockdog judge.
13. Discussed what options an ASCA judge who is not an ASCA member has to obtain redress for poor performance by the host club. There is no formal process in place to remedy this type of problem.
14. Judges' list on CenMASC web site. Counsel will write a letter to CenMASC advising that their action is improper and to desist.

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15. Disband the Nationals Committee

Motion by Gann

Second by Bates

I move to disband the Nationals Committee.

Voting as follows:

Approve: Bates, Clayton, Dexter, Ford, Gann, McClintock, Vest; Abstain: Gray Absent:

Hellmeister The motion is approved.

16. Kathleen Holt complaint completed.

Motion to adjourn

Motion by Ford

Second by Bates

Voting as follows: Approve: Unanimous Absent: Hellmeister The motion is approved.

Meeting adjourned at 6:15PM

THE ASCA FOUNDATION MEETING, APRIL 13, 2012:

President Ford called meeting to order of the ASCA Foundation at 6:16PM CDT

Those present Ronnie Bates/Director, Pete Dolan/Executive Secretary-elect, Rick Gann/Secretary, Russ Ford/President, Linda Gray/Director, Jo Kimes/Interim Executive Secretary, Greg McClintock/ Treasurer, Rachel Vest/Director, Chuck Carnese/ASCA Attorney. Present via telephone: David Clayton/Second Vice President, Tenley Dexter/Director Absent: Peter Hellmeister/First Vice President.

Chuck Carnese explained to the Directors that the Foundation is a charity organization and read the minutes from the September, 2011 minutes. We have to make sure ASCA doesn't have any conflicts of interest between ASCA and the Foundation. Mr. Carnese had the new Directors sign the conflict of interest policy letters.

Motion to adjourn The ASCA Foundation meeting

Motion by Bates

Second by McClintock

Approve: Unanimous. Absent: Hellmeister Motion is approved.

The ASCA Foundation meeting adjourned at 6:25PM CDT

ASCA BoD meeting reconvened at 6:26PM CDT called to order by President Ford.

17. NSF Discussion – The policy exists as part of Chapter 19 of the Policy Book and applies to affiliates. The Board discussed methods to tighten the control of NSF procedures. Counsel to provide input to the Board.

Motion to adjourn BoD meeting

Motion by Ford

Second by Bates:

I move to adjourn the ASCA 2012 Spring BoD meeting.

Approve: Unanimous Absent: Hellmeister The motion is approved.

Meeting adjourned at 6:38PM CDT

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Attachment 1

<p>Australian Shepherd Club of America 2012 ELECTION OFFICIAL BALLOT</p>  <p><u>BOARD of DIRECTORS</u> (Vote for no more than 3)</p> <table border="0" style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td><input type="radio"/> Ann DeChant</td> <td><input type="radio"/> Jean Miller</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="radio"/> Rick Hardin</td> <td><input type="radio"/> Joseph Sheeran</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="radio"/> Sue Kelly</td> <td><input type="radio"/> Rachel Vest</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="radio"/> Preston Kissman</td> <td><input type="radio"/> Jan Wesen</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input type="radio"/> Peter Kontos</td> <td></td> </tr> </table> <p><u>PROPOSED BYLAW CHANGES</u></p> <p><u>SEC. 01:</u> Do You Approve Proposed Changes? <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO</p> <p><u>SEC. 02:</u> Do You Approve Proposed Changes? <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO</p> <p><u>SEC. 03:</u> Do You Approve Proposed Changes? <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO</p> <p><u>SEC. 04:</u> Do You Approve Proposed Changes? <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO</p> <p><u>SEC. 05:</u> Do You Approve Proposed Changes? <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO</p> <p><u>SEC. 06:</u> Do You Approve Proposed Changes? <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO</p>	<input type="radio"/> Ann DeChant	<input type="radio"/> Jean Miller	<input type="radio"/> Rick Hardin	<input type="radio"/> Joseph Sheeran	<input type="radio"/> Sue Kelly	<input type="radio"/> Rachel Vest	<input type="radio"/> Preston Kissman	<input type="radio"/> Jan Wesen	<input type="radio"/> Peter Kontos		<div style="background-color: #333; color: white; padding: 5px; text-align: center;">Voting Instructions</div> <p>• Use a No. 2 pencil or a blue or black ink pen only. • Make solid marks that fill the response completely.</p> <p>CORRECT: ● INCORRECT: ☒ ☓ ○ ○</p> <p><u>PROPOSED BYLAW CHANGES</u></p> <p>(Continued From Left Column)</p> <p><u>SEC. 07:</u> Do You Approve Proposed Changes? <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO</p> <p><u>SEC. 08:</u> Do You Approve Proposed Changes? <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO</p> <p><u>SEC. 09:</u> Do You Approve Proposed Changes? <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO</p> <p><u>SEC. 10:</u> Do You Approve Proposed Changes? <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO</p> <p><u>SEC. 11:</u> Do You Approve Proposed Changes? <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO</p> <p><u>SEC. 12:</u> Do You Approve Proposed Changes? <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO</p> <p><u>SEC. 13:</u> Do You Approve Proposed Changes? <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO</p> <p><u>SEC. 14:</u> Do You Approve Proposed Changes? <input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO</p>
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