November 2007 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.

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94:01 STOCK DOG COMMITTEE - PATD.
Motion by Aufox, seconded by Davenport.
I move that the SDC within two weeks respond to the question as to whether a stock Trial can consist of a PATD trial only.

Directors voting:  Approve:  Stevens, Berryessa, DeChant, Hellmeister, Aufox, Gann, Davenport & MacRoberts.  Disapprove:  McNamara.  Motion is approved.

98:05 CONFORMATION COMMITTEE - Chapter 7.
Motion by Gann.
I move that the following motion from the Conformation Committee be approved:

Motion by Liz Gibson, 2nd by Mary Hellmeister:

Add to Chapter 7:

SECTION 7.22 To be eligible to judge at the ASCA National Specialty, a judge MUST be fully approved for the assignment.

SECTION 7.23 A Non-Regular judge MAY NOT accept assignments to the next level until fully approved as per the Judge procedures.

Voting as follows:  Affirmative by: David Clayton, Mary Hellmeister, Liz Gibson, Heather Herron, Janet White, Nadia Schlapp, Denise Creelman, Peter Kontos and Glenda Stephenson.  (Unanimous, 100% of committee voting)

Directors voting: Approve:  Unanimous.  Motion is approved.

98:15 OBEDIENCE COMMITTEE - Chapter 9.
Motion by Hellmeister.
I move to accept the following recommendation of the Obedience committee, effective 6/1/08:

Chapter 9: Honorary Titles.

Please replace this chapter with the following

The title of Honor Dog will be accorded to any ASCA registered Australian Shepherd who receives a score of 195 or better in the first three (3) attempts toward any obedience title. Each team will be acknowledged for their achievement with their name and a picture in the Aussie Times.

Reason: To clarify that the title of Honor dog should not be awarded to a team that might flunk
one of their first three attempts at a title. This award is meant for teams that qualify and obtain the needed scores in the first three trials they show in.

Committee approval: Unanimous

Directors voting: Approve: Unanimous. Motion is approved.

**93:12 STANDARD BYLAWS FOR AFFILIATES**

Motion by Hellmeister, seconded by McNamara.
I move to approve the attached generic bylaws to be implemented by all ASCA Affiliate Clubs by 1/1/2009.

Directors voting: Approve: Hellmeister. Disapprove: Stevens, Davenport, Gann, Aufox, McNamara, Berryessa, DeChant & MacRoberts. Motion is defeated.

**98:05 CONFORMATION COMMITTEE - Ch. 3, Sec. 3.9**

Motion by Gann.
I move the following from the Conformation Committee be approved:

Motion by Liz Gibson, Seconded by Heather Herron:

*Section in Chapter 3:*

**AS READS NOW:**

**SECTION 3.9** A show secretary / chairman must be an ASCA® member in good standing.

**TO READ AS FOLLOWS:**

**SECTION 3.9** A show secretary / chairman must be a Full ASCA® member in good standing.

This motion would go into effect Jan.1, 2008.

Voting as follows:

Yea: David Clayton, Mary Hellmeister, Liz Gibson, Heather Herron, Janet White, Nadia Schlapp, Peter Kontos and Glenda Stephenson. Nay: Denise Creelman

Comment by Creelman:
I vote NO with the comment that the club would know if a service member is qualified by knowing the rules in order to be a show sec. ASCA should offer a full membership without the expense of the Aussie Times as a compromise.

Directors voting: Approve: Unanimous. Motion is approved.

**01:10 AUSSIE TIMES - Ad rates.**

Motion by McNamara, seconded by DeChant.
I move the following ads and ad prices be made available to the membership and published in the Aussie Times.
Directors voting: Approve: Berryessa, McNamara, Hellmeister, Aufox, Stevens, Davenport, MacRoberts & DeChant. Abstain: Stevens. Motion is approved.

**98:15 OBEDIENCE COMMITTEE - Ch. 1. Sec. 2.**

Motion by Hellmeister.

I move to accept the following recommendation of the Obedience committee, effective 1/1/08:

Chapter 1, Section 2
Subsection 2.1 - Replace the last two (2) sentences with the following:

"Novice, Open and Utility classes will be divided into "A" and "B". The Novice "A" and "B" classes and Open "A" and "B" classes may, at the judge's discretion, be combined for group exercises.

The rest of subsection 2.1 will remain the same.

Additionally, the "Reason" listed at the end of subsection 2.2 should be removed - those reasons are only listed in our motions to the board so they understand why we are asking for the changes.

REASON: To bring this section into line with the rest of the rules now that it is required for the Utility class to be divided into "A" and "B".

Committee approval: Unanimous

Directors voting: Approve: Unanimous. Motion is approved.

**94:01 STOCK DOG COMMITTEE - White Shepherd**

Motion by Davenport.

I move the following motion from the Stockdog Committee be approved by the Board:

Motion by Warren, second by Bryant & Kelly

Add the American White Shepherd to Appendix 1, Herding Breeds Eligible to compete in the ASCA Stockdog Trial.

Comments: I feel Ms. Joyce has presented the SDC will documentation that this breed was developed primarily for working livestock. KW


Directors voting: Approve: Unanimous. Motion is approved.

**04:02 COMMITTEE PROCEDURES - #5**

Motion by Berryessa, seconded by Hellmeister.

I move the following be placed as #5 under Committee Chair Duties in the ASCA Committee Procedures and the following sections be renumbered.
Electronic List: If an Electronic List is used by a committee for discussions, the ASCA Business Office will be listed as the owner and only the Chair and Liaison of the Committee will be the moderators.

Directors voting: Approve: Berryessa, DeChant, McNamara, Hellmeister, Aufox, Gann, Davenport & MacRoberts. Abstain: Stevens. Motion is approved.

**94:01 STOCK DOG COMMITTEE - Ch. 3.**

Motion by Davenport.
I move the following Stockdog Committee motion be approved by the Board:

Motion by Warren, second by Kelly.


Change:
CH 3 Sec 3.2e4  Dogs entered in the Novice Division may not compete in any other division on the same class of livestock on the same day.

To Read:  Dogs entered in the Novice Division may not compete in any other division on the same class of livestock in the same trial.

Comment: When the rules changed to allow two trials in the same day the change was never made to the Novice Division to allow a person to trial in Novice in both trials on the same day. This motion is just a clean up.

Directors voting: Approve: Davenport, Gann, Aufox, Hellmeister, McNamara, Berryessa, DeChant & MacRoberts. Abstain: Stevens. Motion is approved.

**04:15 ASCA BUSINESS OFFICE - Accounting Consultant**

Please withdraw the previous motion and replace with the following. :) Kristin

04:15 ASCA BUSINESS OFFICE - Accounting Consultant.

Motion by McNamara, seconded by Gann.
I move the following:

ASCA shall hire a temporary accounting consultant to develop, implement, and document financial processes for the organization within 4-6 weeks of hire. This individual should be available for post-job consultation as needed.

Position shall be advertised on related local Internet job boards, ASCA-L, the website, and in local Bryan/College station papers. Total advertising budget not to exceed $750.

The hiring process shall consist of collection of resumes by the Treasurer during the month of December and on-site interviews conducted by the Treasurer during the first half of the month of January. Prospective contractors shall submit a bid outlining costs and complete process
expectations, after on-site interviews, to the Treasurer, who shall report her findings and recommendations to the Board, following up with a motion for approval of bid and contract based on contractor's bid amount, process outline, timeframe, and references.

An approved Board motion naming contractor approval and final bid amount is required before contract is awarded and work commences.

Once the process begins, the Treasurer will oversee the hired consultant remotely and provide updates to the Board and Business Office as prudent.

Comment: ASCA needs to hire someone competent to revisit the way our finances are handled in-house and produce an accounting procedure manual. Doing this will save untold man hours of duplicated work.

Directors voting: Approve: MacRoberts. Disapprove: Stevens, Davenport, Aufox, Berryessa, DeChant & Hellmeister. Abstain: Gann & McNamara. Motion is defeated.

Approved:
Appointed - Shelly Hollen to the ASCA Education Committee.

Revoked:
Nike, the Agility Goddess' and Scarlet O'Hara's LEP status and replace it with a Tracking Number