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 and mail, fax, e-mail and/or telephone communications. July 1-31, 2012.

Board of Directors Teleconference

Monday July 9, 2012

President Ford called the meeting to order at 9:02PM, EDT. Those present included: President Russ Ford, 2nd Vice-president David Clayton, Treasurer Greg McClintock, and Directors Ronnie Bates, Tenley Dexter, and Linda Gray. First Vice-president Peter Hellmeister, Secretary Rick Gann, and Director Rachel Vest were absent.

The Board discussed setting entry fees for the 2012 Rally Finals.

Motion: Bates Second: Ford

I move to set the Rally Finals fees for 2012 Rally Finals at \$50. The Business Office will mail out the invitations by July 10, 2012 and participants will have until July 25, 2012 to return their signed entry forms with fee(s).

Approve: Bates, Clayton, Dexter, Ford, Gray, and McClintock; Absent: Gann, Hellmeister, and Vest. *Motion is approved*.

The Board discussed proposed by-laws changes submitted by the Western European Working Australian Shepherd Club

Motion: McClintock Second: Gray

I move to approve the proposed WEWASC by-laws changes as submitted. Approve: Bates, Clayton, Dexter, Ford, Gray, and McClintock; Absent: Gann, Hellmeister, and Vest. *Motion is approved*.

87:07 Approve 2011 Finals Budget & Reimbursement

Motion: Bates Second: Ford

I move to approve reimbursing Rock River Valley ASC the amount of \$5,375.00 from the loss incurred by said affiliate as part of 2011 ASCA Finals events.

Purpose - To close out books on 2011 ASCA Finals and reimburse the host club for expenses exceeding income, even though the host club failed to obtain sponsorships to offset those costs.

Approve: Bates, Clayton, Dexter, Ford, Gray, and McClintock; Absent: Gann, Hellmeister, and Vest. *Motion is approved*.

The Board discussed implementing the electronic version of the Aussie Times as approved during the June voting cycle.

Secretary Rick Gann joined the call 9:31PM EDT

Motion: Dexter Second: McClintock

I move to spend \$399 plus shipping and handling to purchase a two seat license of Flipping Book Publisher for use to provide the membership access to an electronic version of the Aussie Times.

Approve: Bates, Clayton, Dexter, Gann, Gray, and McClintock; Disapprove: Ford Absent: Hellmeister, and Vest. *Motion is approved*.

Motion by Ford

I move to ratify all June e-mail votes.

Approve: Bates, Clayton, Dexter, Ford, Gann, Gray, and McClintock; Absent: Hellmeister and Vest. *Motion is approved*.

President Ford scheduled the next teleconference for August 13, 2012. President Ford adjourned the meeting at 9:36PM EDT.

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Executive Secretary

12:17 Dog Aggression Disqualification Reinstatement

Motion by Dexter Second by Gray

Move to add the Dog Aggression Disqualification Reinstatement Procedure to the Dog Aggression Rules to appear in all program rule books.

Dog Aggression Disqualification Reinstatement Procedure.

There are various conditions that lead to disqualifying a dog for biting/menacing. Not all dogs may be eligible for reinstatement as some conduct is so egregious that reinstatement will never occur. No dog is entitled to reinstatement and following the reinstatement procedures is no guarantee the Board will reinstate. At least six months must transpire from the date of disqualification notification from the ASCA Business Office and a request for reinstatement. If a dog is denied reinstatement, the owner must wait one year before reapplying.

Reinstatement Procedure Details

The owner must send a letter requesting reinstatement to the Business Office at:

ASCA Business Office

6091 East State Highway 21

Bryan, TX 77808

The letter should state the circumstances leading to the disqualification and why the owner feels the dog should be reinstated. (A dog's record prior to the disqualification is not sufficient reason for reinstatement.) The reinstatement process cannot be applied for until six months has transpired from the time the Board notifies the owner officially of its determination concerning the disqualification.

A \$50.00 non-refundable check or money order payable to ASCA must accompany the reinstatement request. After the Business Office receives the reinstatement request, the reinstatement processing fee and the applicable documentation of stability training such as successful obedience training or a Canine Good Citizen test completion, all the documentation will be forwarded to the Board for review. All reports from the disqualifying Judge or the Show Committee and documentation presented with the reinstatement request will be reviewed and addressed by the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors will evaluate the request for reinstatement, evidence of recent successful training, and the dog's show records. Should the Board decide against reinstatement, it will notify the owner of its decision. If the Board decides to allow the dog to proceed through the reinstatement process, a hands-on examination will be necessary prior to reinstating the dog. This examination will be a function of the program in which the dog was disqualified.

-Conformation

A panel of three (3) judges is mandatory to evaluate the dog. This panel must consist of at least two (2) Senior Breeder judges and one (1) Approved Breeder Judge. Other registry judges, or other recognized ASCA Judges, as approved by the Board of Directors, may be utilized for: Europe, Alaska and Hawaii. These judges will individually evaluate the dog in circumstances, as similar as possible, to those when it was disqualified. All judges must completely fill out their Disqualified Dog Reinstatement Form. Judges may not confer with each other regarding the examination or the completion of the form. Each judge will have the responsibility of returning their original completed form to the Business Office. The dog owner and evaluating Judge will retain a copy of the form. Judges will conduct the examination using the Conformation Show Rules and Regulations including the ASCA Guidelines and Code of Ethics.

-All other program venues:

The investigating Director assigned to the original disqualification of the dog from the following program venues, see below, will be in charge of setting up a procedure to individually evaluate the dog, in circumstances, as similar as possible, to those when it was disqualified. The Board of Directors will be responsible for approving the criteria

of the reinstatement process. If the original assigned Director is no longer on the Board, the case will be handled by the next Director in line as per procedure.

- -Agility
- -Obedience
- -Rally
- -Stockdog

There is a reinstatement process for reinstating following a DQ under the Dog Aggression Rules. There is a separate procedure for a DQ for biting/mauling livestock in the Stockdog Rulebook.

- -Tracking
- -Disqualification by a Show Committee that occurs and isn't connected to a specific program (listed above). The owner will provide a list of upcoming events the dog and owner can attend for xaminations to the Business Office. Location for each examination is at the discretion of the owner. Each examination does not have to occur at the same show/trial location. The Business Office will notify the sanctioning Affiliate of an examination that may occur at its show. The Business Office will send the Disqualified Dog Reinstatement Forms to the Affiliate club prior to the event. An Affiliate club or Judge has the right to refuse the examination. The dog owner will confirm the scheduled examination with the Affiliate club which will make appropriate arrangements for the Judge conducting the examination. The dog owner will not make contact with the Judge prior to the examination. Examinations will occur AFTER the show. After the examination, the Board will notify the owner in writing concerning reinstatement within 90 days.

87:16 Junior Committee Motion: Junior Judging Guidelines, Illustrations, Patterns and Questions *Motion by Gann*

I move to approve the Junior Committee's implementation of the newly revised Junior Judging Guidelines, Illustrations, Patterns and Questions to the rulebook effective January 2013

Motion made by Stephanie and seconded by Susan.

To implement the newly revised Junior Judging Guidelines, Illustrations, Patterns and Questions to the rulebook effective January 2013 pursuant to File Uploaded on May 22, 2012 in the Files section under 2012 named JrGuidelinesPattQuestIllust2012Rev

Purpose:

- 1. To help clarify current Junior patterns
- 2. Implement new Junior Patterns for growth in the program and to challenge our seasoned Juniors.
- 3. Provide Guidelines and Education for Judges when Judging Junior Showmanship by providing them with tips and guidelines when asking questions, Judging the juniors, awards etc....
- 4. To educate our Juniors with Illustrations of the Australian Shepherd Anatomy/Parts, correct/incorrect movement Effective January 2013 Approve: Bates, Clayton, Dexter, Ford, Gann, Gray, McClintock; Disapprove: Hellmeister; Abstain: Vest; *The motion is approved*. To receive a copy of the PDF file, you can contact ASCA Secretary Rick Gann at rgann@tx.rr.com.

04:04 Conformation Judge Move-ups

Motion by: Ford

I move to approve the following Conformation Breeder/Junior Judge applications/move-ups:

Junior Judge	Breeder Judge	Senior Breeder Judge
Bryn E. Elliott	Lisa Renville #4689	Kimberly Golden #3434
10509 Virginia Lane	2554 Lake Hills Dr.	77 Meadow Dr.
Payette, Idaho 83661	Butte Valley, CA 95965	Tijeris, NM 87059
	(530) 345-3535	(505) 238-4122

Provisional Breeder Judge

Sheila Boneham #4970 411 Venus Ct. Wilmington, NC 28405 (775) 560-6106 Margi Floyd #4351 3220 79th Ave. NW Olympia, WA 98502 (360) 259-9089