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.
June 1-30, 2012.

Board of Directors Teleconference

Wednesday June 13, 2012

President Ford called the meeting to order at 9:04PM, EDT. Those present included: President Russ Ford, 2nd Vice-president David Clayton, Secretary Rick Gann, Treasurer Greg McClintock, and Directors Ronnie Bates, Tenley Dexter, Linda Gray, and Rachel Vest. First Vice-president Peter Hellmeister was absent.

Motion by Ford Second by Gray
I move to ratify all May e-mail votes. Approve: Bates, Clayton, Dexter, Ford, Gann, Gray, McClintock, and Vest Absent: Hellmeister. Motion is approved.

The Treasurer provided a status of the 2011 fiscal year audit to be conducted by ASCA’s new accounting firm Thompson, Derrig, and Craig. The CPA conducting the audit is working with ASCA’s Office Manager to obtain the necessary documents and information. The Treasurer will confirm that the same firm will prepare ASCA’s 2011 tax return.

The Board discussed what ASCA, the organization, can and cannot do regarding taking action on legislation affecting ASCA members and commenting on proposed regulation changes.

Motion by Vest Second by McClintock
I move to post the Legislative Committee document regarding the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service request for comment on proposed changes to USDA enforcement regulations under the Animal Welfare Act to the Members Only section of the ASCA web site.
Approve: Bates, Clayton, Dexter, Ford, Gann, Gray, McClintock, Vest; Absent: Hellmeister; the motion is approved.

The Board discussed how to proceed in handling the new scoresheets for Stockdog courses D, E, and F. The proper procedure is to use the old rules and old scoresheets until the new rulebook is promulgated.

President Ford will advise the Western Europe Working Australian Shepherd Club (WEWASC) and the Business Office of this ruling. President Ford scheduled the July conference call for July 9, 2012.

President Ford adjourned the meeting at 10:15PM EDT.

Pete Dolan
Executive Secretary

12:22 Policy Book Change Section 9.7.1 Lapsed Membership
Motion by Gray Second by Gann
I move to replace the following policy.

9.7 - Membership
9.7.1 Lapsed Membership
Individual or dual memberships that have lapsed may be renewed retroactively provided payment is received within 6 months of the lapse date. Past issues of the Aussie Times, if available, will be sent as long as extra postage and handling fees are included.

To Read
9.7 - Membership
9.7.1 Lapsed Membership
Individual or dual memberships that have lapsed may be renewed retroactively provided payment is received within 3 months of the lapse date. Missed issues of the Aussie Times, if available, after renewal, will be sent as long as appropriate postage and handling fees are included.

Effective when published in the Policy Book

Comment: Giving a person 6 months to renew their membership is half a year. With being able to renew online it shouldn’t take 6 months for a person to renew.

The voting period for the enclosed motion has closed.
Voting as follows: Approve: Bates, Clayton, Dexter, Ford, Gann, Gray, Hellmeister, Vest; Disapprove: McClintock; The motion is approved.

12:23 By-laws Change Article XIII
Motion by Gray Second by Dexter
I move to approve the following change to the ASCA Bylaws to be sent to the membership for a vote on the 2013 election ballot.

ARTICLE XIII
ADOPTION OF ALL SHOW, TRIAL, TESTING PROGRAMS AND/OR REGULATIONS FOR THE OPERATION OF THE CLUB

The Board of Directors may adopt, amend, cancel or supplement all show, trial, testing programs or other rules and regulations for the operation of the Club. All such rules shall be in writing. Rules and regulations as adopted by the Board shall become effective no sooner than thirty days after publication in the Club Newsletter; or in the event an emergency situation exists that would be detrimental to ASCA and/or its programs the effective date will be determined by the Board of Directors. Only those program rules that are contained in the latest version of each rule book shall be enforceable. As a minimum, program rule books shall be updated and reprinted January 1 and June 1 of each calendar year.

To Read:

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Comment: Changing from being required to update and print rulebooks from twice a year to once a year with the
option of updating and printing twice will give the board some latitude based on need.
The voting period for the enclosed motion has closed.
Voting as follows: Approve: Clayton, Dexter, Gann, Gray, Hellmeister, McClintock, Vest; Disapprove: Bates, Ford; The motion is approved.

12:24 Affiliate By-laws Guide Revision
Motion by Gray Second by Gann
I move to approve the attached Bylaw Guide revision to Affiliate Club Bylaws.
Comment: Over the years with changes in Ex Sec, Office personnel and Directors, the Bylaw Guide has not been updated with all changes in ASCA policies as they should. The revision from Guide to actual Club Bylaws is an attempt to streamline the Affiliation process and provide all clubs with the same Bylaws. They are required to use them for one year before any changes can be made.
Letter of Dissent: McClintock
The proposed document is not an Affiliate By-law template. Rather, it is the ASCA corporate By-laws with a few fill in the blanks added. This is not something that we should do. While the current Affiliate By-law guide may need some fine tuning, in particular in the removal of parenthetical commentary from the document so that it can more readily be used as a guide, making the Affiliates use ASCA's own By-laws as a guide is ludicrous. There are multiple references in the ASCA By-laws that are completely inappropriate for use by an Affiliate (such as references to the Business Office, over which the Affiliates have literally no control), and the maker of this motion has made no attempt to take out of the document those references that simply do not apply to any Affiliate. In point of fact, ASCA’s By-laws simply can not be used as a cut-and-paste template for affiliates. This motion is wildly misguided, and I can not begin to imagine why someone would think that this is the thing to do. The current Affiliate By-law Guide has been working for a very long time, and this rather radical departure from that standard is not warranted. It was recommended that the current By-law guide be edited to remove editorial comments from the body of the document, but instead, we are presented with this version without prior comment. This is an example of why the Board should first discuss these matters before proposing motions. This one is embarrassing to the Board.
Voting as follows: Approve: Bates, Clayton, Dexter, Ford, Gann, Gray, Hellmeister, Vest; Disapprove: McClintock; The motion is approved.

12:25 Revised Application to Affiliate
Motion by Gray Second by Gann
I move to approve the attached revised Application to Affiliate using the following procedure.
This Application to Affiliate will go hand-in hand with the Club Bylaws. With this new process, potential clubs need only fill out the Application and send in with their fee. The Application to Affiliate will be mailed to the office in care of the Executive Secretary. The Office Manager will assign this to a staff member who will verify all officers and directors are full ASCA members. When verified, the Application (less the fee) will be sent to the Executive Secretary, who will distribute to the Affiliate Bylaw Committee, who will approve or disapprove. If approved, the Club will be approved or disapproved by the board in the next voting cycle. If approved, the Executive Secretary will then prepare the Club Bylaws (electronic copy) using the info on the Application to Affiliate and forward to the Office Manager and the new Club’s Affiliate Rep. If disapproved, the Executive Secretary will send a letter to the club explaining why. The proposed club can reapply at any time.
Comment: Over the years with changes in Ex Sec, Office personnel and Directors, the Application to Affiliate has become disorganized. Changes in ASCA policies have not been updated in all places they should, this application being one of them. The Bylaw Guide is another. The revision is an attempt to put both the Application and Bylaws back together.
Voting as follows: Approve: Bates, Clayton, Dexter, Ford, Gann, Gray, Hellmeister, Vest; Disapprove: McClintock; The motion is approved.
I move to remove any reference to the Hardship Registry (which was closed 1/1/11) from Policy 9.4. I have highlighted in red what should be removed and added the last sentence in the to: version to correspond with the Stockdog Rules.

9.4 Hardship and LEP Committee

The purpose of this committee is to view all applications for Hardship and LEP Registration and to determine eligibility. Requirements: Three Committee members shall be appointed by the Board of Directors for two year terms. Committee members may reapply for membership. Members must have at least ten years continuous ASCA membership and involvement in breeding and competing in ASCA programs. At least one committee member will have trained and/or competed with Australian Shepherds in stockdog trials. At least one committee member will be an ASCA Breeder Judge.

Procedure: The Business Office will receive all applications and review them to ensure completion and contain all necessary information. Applications, required photos and a copy of the ASCA Breed Standard and Annotations will be e-mailed or mailed to each of the committee members. Members will have five days, exclusive of weekends or holidays, to respond to the Business Office with an approval or disapproval. Disapproval will be accompanied by a brief explanation. If there is disagreement among the three members as to approval, the comments of the approving member(s) will be forwarded to the approving member(s) with an additional five days, exclusive of weekends or holidays, to respond. A majority decision will stand. The Business Office shall include a copy of the Breed Standard and Annotations with all Hardship and LEP applications. Any member who feels additional photos are necessary will notify the Business Office which will request the additional photos. While awaiting the requested photos, the application will be placed on hold. The Committee feels may require the dog be viewed in person if warranted.

Directions to committee members: All applications and decisions are strictly confidential. Only dogs who appear to be purebred Australian Shepherds will be accepted into the Hardship Registry or the LEP Registry under the following guidelines. Dogs are to be judged as to whether or not they exhibit traits typical of the breed. Faults of structure do not disqualify a dog from being considered for the Hardship or LEP program. The ASCA Breed Standard should be the guide.

Dogs with disqualifying faults per the Breed Standard (other than recognized colors, white body splashes, undershot bites; overshot bites exceeding 1/8 inch, monorchidism and cryptorchidism, Dudley nose) will not be accepted into the Hardship Registry. MOST IMPORTANT ARE THE QUESTIONS, "DOES THIS LOOK LIKE A PUREBRED AUSTRALIAN SHEPHERD?" and "DOES THIS DOG EXHIBIT CHARACTERISTICS MORE TYPICAL OF ANOTHER BREED?" Hardship registered dogs have the same registry privileges as any ASCA registered dog including being used for breeding. LEP registered dogs may compete in all ASCA programs except conformation and thus represent the ASCA Australian Shepherd in the public eye. Effective 08/31/09

To Read:

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include a copy of the Breed Standard and Annotations with all LEP applications. Any member who feels additional photos are necessary will notify the Business Office which will request the additional photos. While awaiting the requested photos, the application will be placed on hold. The Committee may require the dog be viewed in person, if warranted. Directions to committee members: All applications and decisions are strictly confidential. Only dogs who appear to be purebred Australian Shepherds will be accepted into the LEP Registry under the following guidelines. Dogs are to be judged as to whether or not they exhibit traits typical of the breed. Faults of structure do not disqualify a dog from being considered for the LEP program. The ASCA Breed Standard should be the guide. MOST IMPORTANT ARE THE QUESTIONS, “DOES THIS DOG LOOK LIKE A PUREBRED AUSTRALIAN SHEPHERD?” and “DOES THIS DOG EXHIBIT CHARACTERISTICS MORE TYPICAL OF ANOTHER BREED?” LEP registered dogs may compete in all ASCA programs except conformation and thus represent the ASCA Australian Shepherd in the public eye. No LEP dogs are allowed to participate in Stockdog Finals after 2012 (see Stockdog Finals Rules).

Effective when passed.

Comments: Since we no longer have a Hardship Committee/Registry, all references to it should be removed from the Policy Book. Effective when passed because the Hardship Registry has been closed for 16 months and no LEP dogs have been permitted to qualify for Stock Finals effective 6/1/2011.

Voting as follows:  Approve: Unanimous;  The motion is approved.

12:28 Aussie Times: Removal of Program Finals Standings
Motion by Dexter Second by Gray
I move to remove the program interim Finals standings from the Aussie Times. They are updated monthly on the program standings page of the ASCA website.  Reasoning: In an attempt to reduce the cost of producing the Aussie Times, this information will be taken out but still available on the ASCA website in a more timely fashion.

Voting as follows:  Approve: Bates, Clayton, Dexter, Ford, Gann, Gray, Hellmeister, Vest; Disapprove: McClintock;  The motion is approved.

12:29 Aussie Times: Removal of Program Interim Merit Standings
Motion by Dexter Second by Gray
I move to remove the interim listings of all program Merit Standings from the Aussie Times. The final standings will appear in the Aussie Times.  Reasoning: The standings are very outdated due to publishing dates of the Aussie Times. Standings are updated monthly and are more current on the ASCA website.

Voting as follows:  Approve: Bates, Clayton, Dexter, Ford, Gann, Gray, Hellmeister, Vest; Disapprove: McClintock;  The motion is approved.

12:30 Aussie Times: Remove Listing of Program Title Certificates
Motion by Dexter Second by Gray
I move to remove the listing of all program title certificates from the Aussies Times. All program title certificates will be listed monthly on the members section of the ASCA website.  Reasoning: In an attempt to reduce the cost of producing the Aussie Times, this information will be taken out but be available on the ASCA website in a more timely fashion.

Voting as follows:  Approve: Dexter, Gann, Gray, Hellmeister, Vest; Disapprove: Bates, Clayton, Ford, McClintock;  The motion is approved.

12:31 Aussie Times: Remove Interim Junior Showmanship Standings
Motion by Dexter Second by Gray
I move to remove the interim Junior Showmanship standings for the Aussie Times. The standings will be updated monthly on the program standings page of the ASCA website.  The year-end standings will be published in the Aussie Times.  Reasoning: In an attempt to reduce the cost of producing the Aussie Times, this information will be
taken out but be available on the ASCA website in a more timely fashion.
Voting as follows: Approve: Bates, Dexter, Ford, Gann, Gray, Hellmeister, Vest; Disapprove: Clayton, McClintock; 
The motion is approved.

12:32 Aussie Times: Remove DNA Listings
Motion by Dexter Second by Gray
I move to remove the DNA listings from the Aussie Times. This listing is no longer necessary as all Aussies that are
bred must now be DNA'd. Reasoning: This is an attempt to reduce costs of the Aussie Times.
Voting as follows: Approve: Bates, Clayton, Dexter, Gann, Gray, Hellmeister, McClintock, Vest; Disapprove: Ford; 
The motion is approved.

12:33 Executive Secretary Expense Report Approval
Motion by Hellmeister Second by Gray
I move to approve the attached expense report for Executive Secretary Peter Dolan for the Spring Meeting 2012.
Rationale: Section 8.11.2 a) regulates the approval process for travel expenses. Reimbursement requests for people other than
Board of Directors and Executive Secretary are to be approved by the whole Board. It has been
stipulated through discussion that at the time of the Spring Meeting Mr. Dolan was not officially the Executive
Secretary. While this is IMHO certainly debatable this argument puts the request into the above
mentioned category. With a decision on this item the Board simply follows its own policy of deciding an item that
was put before it, i.e. application by the owner to reinstate a DQ'ed dog.
Voting as follows: Approve: Dexter, Gray, Vest; Disapprove: Bates, Ford, Gann, Hellmeister, McClintock; Abstain:
Clayton; The motion is not approved

12:34 Teaming with the Purina Parent Club Partnership Program (PPCP)
Motion by Gray Second by Dexter
I move to approve ASCA team up with Purina on the Purina Parent Club Partnership Program.
Comment: Attached is the PPCP brochure and paperwork. Below is CA Sharp’s recommendation for the program. I
will volunteer to set it up and get it off the ground if passed. Our Attorney thought it was ok. It's a good program.
When people turn if their weight circles (for coupons, etc.) if they have designated a breed, Purina sets aside 10%
of the value The club may designate that all the money goes to the DAF, but it can also receive half of the amount
itself with the restriction that it would be used for rescue or education.

A DAF is a type of fund some large charities use to enable participating donors to donate at their convenience and
later designate the funds for a particular use. CHF offers DAFs for any interested donor. Clubs have often used them
because it allowed a way for members to make deductible donations for breed heath issues without requiring the
club to set up a foundation. The charity cannot disburse those funds without the DAF-holder's permission. With
Purina's program The "donor" of the money so far as CHF is concerned would be the club which has the DAF.

The way Purina has determined which DAFs get funds is through the breed designation on the weight circle
membership application. Since USASA already has a DAF, Aussie money has being going there to-date.
ASHGHI does not maintain a DAF because we are a 501(c) (3) so people can deduct what they donate to us and there
are no income tax implications for us so having a place to put it until we decide how to use it isn't a concern.

I think this is a very worthwhile program; ASCA would want to ask Purina how they would deal with the fact there
would be two Aussie clubs in their program. I suspect they would say people might need to designate the club by
name, or at least ASCA by name. It sounds like they are willing to accommodate that.

When it comes to use money in the DAF, ASCA would contact them and designate a CHF grant it wanted to support
and to what level. If I remember right, grant sponsorships are a minimum of $1000 or $3000, depending on the size of the grant (check with Erica Kitchen to verify.) You may donate any amount above that you wish, up to the full value of the grant. For example, between the money ASCA gave us and what we raised ourselves, we gave around $40K to the latest epilepsy grant. As long as the grant is active, you may donate, so if you get a chunk of change later that the donor wants to go for something covered by a grant you are already supporting, you can give an additional amount. You can also make direct gifts, of course, without going through the DAF, which is how ASHGI does it. (We had a DAF at one point but there wasn't really a need for us to do so, so we dropped it and just give direct.)

As another example, let's say ASCA had joined Purina's program and set up a DAF at CHF. Somebody gives ASCA $$$ for a health-related purpose. ASCA (or its foundation, as the case might be) could send that money to its DAF and when there was an appropriate grant to fund, you could support it to whatever level you wanted given the funds available. I think there may be a minimum amount needed to set up a DAF, but you'd need to verify that with CHF. It could be that if you are in the Purina program that might be waived, too. Mike gave you the contact person you'd need to speak to there.

Does that cover it? Let me know if you have more questions but Mike and Erica would be better sources for details.

One final note - I think I mentioned this at the BOD meeting last fall but it's good to reiterate. CHF no longer does the "matching funds" thing. That proved unworkable because waiting for donors to come up with half of a grant's cost before it could be funded was problematic for researchers who weren't necessarily in a position to wait. It meant important work might be delayed or not happens at all. Several years ago CHF switched to a more typical system of deciding which grants to fund, funding them, and then accepting sponsorships from interested donors which would offset some of their funds to be directed toward future grants. This is how Morris Animal Foundation does it and, I believe, virtually all granting foundations that accept public donations.

C.A. Sharp
President, Australian Shepherd Health & Genetics Institute, Inc. (ASHGI)
Voting as follows: Approve: Bates, Clayton, Dexter, Ford, Gann, Gray, Hellmeister, Vest; Disapprove: McClintock; The motion is approved.

12:35 Policy Book Section 20.3 Breeders Directory
Motion by Gray Second by McClintock
I move to remove Policy 20.3 Breeders Directory.
Comment: The Breeders Directory was removed from the website after the 2009 Colorado Nationals due to complaints about puppy millers being listed. No need to have a policy in the book the board deleted.
Voting as follows: Approve: Unanimous; The motion is approved.

12:36 ASCA Membership with Electronic Aussie Times
Motion by Dexter Second by Gray
I move to approve the creation of a Full ASCA membership with an electronic subscription to the Aussie Times placed in the ASCA members section of the ASCA website rather than a paper (hard copy) version. This is in addition to the membership with the paper/hard copy of the Aussie Times. To go into effect for the Nov/Dec edition of the Aussie Times with a September 15 deadline.
Full Single Membership $40 (1 Adult) per year with electronic subscription to the Aussie Times.
Full Dual Membership (2 Adults-same household) $60 per year with electronic subscription to the Aussie Times.
Lifetime Members $30 per year with electronic subscription to Aussie Times. Juniors $30 per year with electronic subscription to Aussie Times. Reasoning: Members have asked for electronic copies of the Aussie
12:37 Policy 6.8 Merit Program and Program Finals Listings

Motion by Gray Second by Dexter

I move to approve the following Policy change: 6.8 Merit Program Listings The Top Twenty (20) winners in all classes of all Merit Programs will be listed in the AUSSIE TIMES. Effective: 10/29/95 Revised: 06-01

To Read:
6.8 Merit Program and Program Finals Listings The end of the show year top twenty (20) winners in all classes of all Merit Programs will be listed in the Sep/Oct issue of the AUSSIE TIMES. The standings will be available and updated monthly on the website. The end of show year program Finals standings will be published in the Aussie Times in the same manner as the Merit standings. Effective: 10/29/95 Revised: 07-12

Comment: At present, the office is updating the Merit and Finals listings monthly. Members can continue to go to the website for their up-to-date status of Merit and Finals standings. Effective with the September/October Aussie Times. Voting as follows: Approve: Bates, Clayton, Dexter, Ford, Gann, Gray, Hellmeister, Vest; Disapprove: McClintock; The motion is approved.

12:38 Policy Book 7.6 ASCA Lifetime Achievement Award

Motion by Gray Second by Ford

I move to approve the following Policy change:

7.6 ASCA Lifetime Achievement Award each year ASCA may recognize a person(s) who has contributed to the breed or to the ASCA organization in an outstanding manner. The History Committee will assume the responsibility for designating possible person(s) prior to the Spring BoD meeting each year in order to discuss the nomination at the Spring BoD meeting. The Lifetime Achievement Award designee will be honored at the Nationals Banquet if they wish to attend, receive a complimentary lifetime ASCA membership and a full page announcement in the Aussie Times to recognize the honoree(s). Added 10/01/10

To Read:
7.6 ASCA Lifetime Achievement Award each year ASCA may recognize a person or persons who have contributed to the breed and/or the ASCA organization in an outstanding manner. The History Committee will be responsible for designating the person or persons prior to the Spring BoD meeting each year in order for the Board to discuss/vote on the nomination at the spring BoD meeting. If no spring meeting is held, voting will be by conference call or mail.

7.6.1 The History Committee is responsible for a full page black and white announcement in the Aussie Times to recognize the honoree(s) which will be published in the September/October issue of the Aussie Times.

7.6.2 The Lifetime Achievement Award designee will be honored at the Nationals Banquet, if they wish to attend, and receive a complimentary lifetime ASCA membership. The honoree(s) will receive a free 1 year subscription to the Aussie Times.

7.6.3 After the year of free Aussie Times, the honoree(s) will be sent a renewal notice letting them know the issues of the Aussie Times will cease. The notice will give the lifetime member(s) the option of renewing the subscription to the Aussie Times for the current fee if the lifetime member(s) wishes to renew. Changed 8/01/12

Comment: The complete process of the ASCA Lifetime Achievement Award has never been defined and in order to be consistent every year it needed to be. Voting as follows: Approve: Unanimous; The motion is approved.

12:39 Kris Toft Appointment to the History Committee

Motion by Gray

I move to appoint Kris Toft to the History Committee.
Voting as follows: Approve: Bates, Clayton, Dexter, Ford, Gann, McClintock, Vest; Abstain: Gray, Hellmeister; 
The motion is approved.

98:15 Obedience Committee - Update to Section 4 for Open competition
Motion by Bates
I move to approve the following motion and attached revision to Obedience Committee rules.
MOTION 2012-2 OPEN SECTION FINALED
MOTION 2012-2
LAURA URAN MOVED, AND JAN WEIS SECONDED, THAT CHAPTER 4 OPEN BE
ACCEPTED AS REWRITTEN TO INCLUDE THE ODX AND MERITS FOR VETERANS.
PURPOSE OF MOTION: To retain the CDX for those who desired no change be done to group exercises. To offer
ODX to those who desired that alternate exercises be offered in lieu of group exercises. The Open section as
rewritten and proposed should encourage many more exhibitors to take up the discipline of obedience, give
opportunity for move-up to utility to those who didn't move up from novice to open due to the out-of-sight sit/down
stay requirements in group exercises, all while retaining a high quality of difficulty plus setting a high standard.
Merits are included for veteran dogs who have never been awarded the title of CDX (veterans will not be allowed to
qualify for finals). MOTION TO BE EFFECTIVE: 6/1/2013
Voting as follows: Approve: Bates, Ford, Gann, Hellmeister, McClintock, Vest; Disapprove: Clayton, Dexter, Gray;
The motion is approved.

04:04 Conformation Judge Move-ups
Motion by: Ford
I move to approve the following conformation breeder judge
applications/move-ups:

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Keli Gaunt
148 Turnbull Rd.
New Hartford, CT 06057
806-480-6809

Lindy Patrick
8857 N Awl Rd.
Parker, CO 80138
720-851-2012

Voting as follows: Approve: Bates, Clayton, Dexter, Ford, Gann, Gray, Hellmeister, Vest; Disapprove: McClintock
The motion is approved.

Respectfully Submitted By
Rick Gann
ASCA Secretary