

## Resume

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Objective: To be elected to a position on the ASCA Board of Directors.

**ASCA Experience:** I have been an ASCA member for 15 years. My registered kennel name is SkyHi. I have been involved with ASCA on a local level for 14 years, 12 years as the club secretary and 2 years as President for Delta ASF. I have been an ASCA Juniors Committee member for the past 2 years and have also served on the Conformation Committee. I am also an ASCA Senior Breeder Judge. I love this breed and have for the better part of 50 years.

I got my first Aussie for competition Obedience 15 years ago. I decided to try competing with him in Conformation. Since then I have competed in Conformation, Obedience, Agility and Rally. I have had the privilege of competing in Conformation Finals two years in a row. Two of my girls qualified for finals the same year. With Delta ASF I have been show and trial secretary, ring steward and time keeper for Conformation, Obedience, Rally and Stock Events.

**Work and Volunteer Experience:** I served on the Board of Directors for Stanislaus SPCA for 10 years and 2 years on the Board of Directors for Stanislaus County Aids Program. I have a firm understanding of how a non-profit runs and the challenges they face. I hold a Bookkeeping Degree and have held management positions in several companies. That experience has given me the ability to manage budgets and people, deal with deadlines, marketing, promotion and sales. I am passionate about learning, fair minded, honest and have a strong moral compass. One thing I feel that I bring to any organization is I understand how to run a business, the work it involves and the dedication it takes.

**Vision:** Promoting and preserving this breed is extremely important. Tradition is important, as are new opportunities. I believe that strong leadership, engaged, active committees and ASCA members who know that their voice will be heard, are the key elements that ASCA needs to grow and succeed. We need to continue to offer our members strong well run programs and look at other programs that will showcase the versatility of our breed. We need to embrace our young people and make sure there are opportunities for them.

I believe that ASCA needs strong leaders who lead by example. It is hard to explain the honor I feel to have reached this point in my life. I promise to do my best each and every day. I have a love for this breed that weaves a path through my entire life. I will also tell you that I am not afraid to speak my mind. I do not believe in change just for the sake of change. I believe in fair play and good sportsmanship. I believe that I am of good moral standing and that I would be a valuable contributor.

# CANDIDATE INQUIRY

**1. Why would you consider yourself an asset to the ASCA Board of Directors?**

I bring to the board 12 years of Non-Profit Board of Director experience in addition to over 30 years of business experience. I believe that I work well in a team environment. I bring a level headed, fair and honest approach to business matters. I understand how and when marketing and technology are important.

**2. What do you hope to achieve in your term on the Board?**

I would like to be part of ASCA's growth and development in encouraging member involvement, new uses for technology and focusing on financial stability. I would like to see new titling opportunities for our dogs while still supporting and encouraging support for our existing programs. I would like to open discussions on a Breeder of Merit program where individual registering of all puppies in a litter and mandatory health testing are a part of the program.

**3. ASCA is a 501(c)-7 not-for-profit business classified as a social club. What qualities, abilities, and experiences do you possess that will aid in running ASCA and potentially improve it?**

With 12 years of Non-Profit Board Experience this is what I learned that I will bring to the Board. Non-Profits are usually run by volunteers and working with them is much different than working with paid employees. It is important to listen to your members let them know you hear and understand their needs. Vital to Non-Profits are budgets, fund raising, grant writing, marketing and exceptional recordkeeping. I hold a Bookkeeping degree and have over seven years of marketing and advertising experience. I think when you become a member of a Board like ASCA you must be able to dedicate yourself to the betterment of the organization and I look forward to doing that.

**4. Briefly outline the direction you would like to see ASCA take.**

I would like to see ASCA as an organization strengthen and grow our programs for our members, increase our use of technology and keep an open mind to new ways of doing business. Preserving our breed should be our key focus, our breeds original purpose, its unique characteristics and its versatility.

**5. Briefly outline applicable leadership experience (including committee work) you may have with ASCA at the national level.**

I currently am on the Junior Committee which is near and dear to my heart. I believe that our young people are the future of ASCA. I have also served on the Confirmation Committee.

**6. Briefly outline applicable leadership experience (offices and positions) you have held in ASCA affiliate clubs.**

I have been involved with ASCA on a local level for 14 years, 12 years as the club secretary and 2 years as President for Delta ASF. I have also held the office of affiliate rep. I have also been a Central Valley ASC member for about 10 years.