

California Airedale Terrier Club, Inc.

Board Meeting – August 15, 2009 – Newark Community Center Park – Newark

Board Members in attendance: Kristi Burrus, Ron Colvin, Patty Gregg, Deirdre Hernandez, Chris Hyde, Sarah Roberts, Angelique Shear. Guests: Nancy Bougher. The meeting was called to order at 8:55 a.m. by President Patty Gregg.

On a motion by Kristi Burrus, seconded by Angie Shear, minutes of the March 14, 2009 Board Meeting were approved.

Secretary Sarah Roberts reported the following correspondence received: Request from AKC for donations to AKC Humane Fund, ballot from AKC for 2009 Lifetime Achievement Awards, notice from San Francisco SPCA of a seminar for performance dogs on August 29-30, requests for donations from PetPAC and CDOC, advertisements from vendors of trophies and awards. The AKC ballot and the requests for donations were deferred to New Business; the ads were passed to the Trophies Committee representative.

Treasurer Ron Colvin provided a printed report. The Newsletter is in the black, with \$194. There was a discussion of whether we should put some of our money in some kind of investment, and it was decided to wait and discuss the idea again when we see how much money we have after upcoming expenses. Chris Hyde made a motion, seconded by Deirdre Hernandez and carried, to approve the report of the Treasurer.

Committee Reports:

Achievement Awards: Patty Gregg presented information on medallions to be purchased for upcoming events. It was moved by Angie Shear, seconded by Kristi Burrus, and approved that for all AKC titles a medallion will be given. Discussion followed about whether to use different designs for obedience and performance awards versus conformation awards. Nancy Bougher presented information about pricing on engraving and the possibility that we could save money by paying per letter rather than the flat rate we currently use. It was moved by Ron Colvin, seconded by Kristi Burrus, and approved to keep the design, size, and color of current medallions. Nancy Bougher will get a price quote from a trophy shop and bring to the next Board meeting. She will also ask if the titles can be emailed to the new printer.

There was discussion of the club's Awards Policy. Angie Shear moved, seconded by Ron Colvin, to remove the words "not residing in the same household" from the third sentence in the policy; the motion was approved.

It was moved by Deirdre Hernandez, seconded by Angie Shear, and approved, that the following new wording be added to the Policy at the end of the section on Eligibility for Awards: "In order to earn an award, the owner must be a CATC member on the date the title is earned." (*Note: Final official wording still pending*)

ADOA (American Dog Owners Association): Kristi Burrus volunteered to serve as our representative.

AKC Delegate: A number of items were discussed that will be voted on by delegate Kayla Kurucz at the next Delegate Meeting. *Group Realignment* – It was moved by Deirdre Hernandez, seconded by Chris Hyde, and approved that we vote "No" on this proposal. *AKC Registration Pledge* – It was moved by Angie Shear, seconded by Sarah Roberts, and approved that we vote "No."

AKC Anniversary -- There was discussion of how to support AKC's 125th Anniversary. Deirdre Hernandez reported that since the national club was already going to contribute to this, CATC would not. *Items for the parent club meeting, rescue subcommittee* – Deirdre Hernandez suggested we propose to AKC that they allow member clubs to offer an Indefinite Listing Privilege (ILP) to allow rescue dogs to participate in AKC performance events. It was moved by Chris Hyde, seconded by Angie Shear, and approved that this proposal go forward. Wording of the proposal is as follows: AKC Member Breed Club Rescue Partnership--California Airedale Terrier Club would like to see AKC allow member clubs that operate a breed rescue to offer an

ILP registration with their adoptions. We think this will help encourage new people to participate in performance events and also generate more revenue for the AKC by increasing registrations.--
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Club Database: Linda Botts will be stepping down at the end of the year. Nancy Bougher volunteered to take over this job.

Judges Selection: Deirdre will send the list out next week; voting will take place at the general membership meeting, September 26, 2009.

Obedience Committee: We need a chairperson for next year.

Rescue: A female has been placed. Her preparation cost \$1,100, so Rescue needs to replenish their funds. There are still two males that need homes.

Sanctioned Match 2009: Angie Shear will be unable to continue in charge of this event due to other commitments, so next year we need a new chairperson.

Trophies: Kristi Burrus and Deirdre Hernandez reported that the engraving will be done. Some new trophies need to be ordered.

Walks: There are two more walks scheduled this year, Carmel Beach on September 19 and Lake Natoma on October 31. Chris Hyde suggested putting a form on the website for members to suggest walk venues.

Nominating Committee: Kristi Burrus has agreed to chair this committee. Virginia Latham-Smith, Carol Kubiak, Linda Van Bibber, and Bill Strohmaier were suggested as members. Patty will contact them.

Unfinished Business: *Pekarsky Collection* – Chris Hyde proposed that we dispose of these items, rather than storing them indefinitely. We will donate something to ATCA for their auction. Chris and Deirdre will go through the books and catalogs at the next meeting.

Membership Applications: An application submitted by Carol Reynolds was reviewed. Chris Hyde made a motion, seconded by Kristi Burrus, to accept the application, and it was unanimously approved. The application will be recommended to the membership at the September meeting.

New Business:

Handling Class – Since Nancy Strohmaier was unable to be present at the meeting, there was an open discussion on this topic among members present. Chris Hyde proposed that we sponsor a public handling seminar as a fund-raiser, then follow it up with a handling class for Airedales and other terriers only. We would need to find a location and presenter; Angie suggested Sycamore Lanes, which would cost \$250. Chris agreed to contact Bill and Taffy McFadden about presenting. Chris and Angie will co-chair organizing the seminar. Nancy Strohmaier will continue to chair the handling classes, and Chris agreed to co-chair.

Pet Grooming Seminar – Deirdre suggested we ask Robert Milano to be the instructor. Patty mentioned that Carole Foucrault could be asked to do it.

Donations – Patty suggested that we support the research being done on how often rabies vaccination should be required by donating to the Rabies Challenge Fund. Other appeals received from AKC Humane Fund, PetPAC, and CDOC were discussed. It was moved by Kristi Burrus, seconded by Deirdre Hernandez, and approved that we donate \$250 each to the Rabies Challenge Fund and to PetPAC.

Club Trailer – Deirdre proposed that the club purchase a cargo trailer to store club property, such as the obedience obstacles, trophies, etc. Members agreed that storing and moving these items among various locations is burdensome for members and potentially damaging to the objects. Deirdre will investigate what size trailer would be needed and the cost of purchase, registration, insurance, etc.

Treasurer Briefcase – Ron Colvin pointed out that his briefcase is old and worn and requested authorization to purchase a new one. It was moved by Angie Shear, seconded by Kristi Burrus, and approved that he do so.

AKC Lifetime Achievement Awards Ballot – After discussion it was agreed that our club would vote for Jean Fournier for Conformation, Shirley Indelicato for Companion Events, and no vote would be entered for Performance.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah Roberts, Secretary