

Minutes – February 14, 2015
AMSC Board Meeting

The American Miniature Schnauzer Club Board Meeting was called to order by President Wyoma Clouss at 4:05 PM MST.

Officers Present: Wyoma Clouss – President, Carol Hafner – Secretary

Board Members Present: Lisa Sarvas, Carole Weinberger, Patty Ledgerwood, Carla Nickerson, Nita Ainsworth, Carma Ewer, Vicki Kubic, Amy Gordon, Kaye Kirk

Other Club Members Present: Owen Clouss, Terrie Houck, Karen Prokopetz, Kate McMillan, Krystal Mason, Vickie Boechler

Adoption of the Agenda: Carla Nickerson made a motion that the agenda be approved and seconded by Carma Ewer. Motion passed unanimously.

Reading of the Minutes of Previous Board Meeting held on November 19, 2014: The minutes were approved as read.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT: Wyoma Clouss

Projects continue to move forward. Barbara Schulenberg, a long time AMSC member, Past President and AKC delegate, passed away recently.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY: Carol Hafner

1. AKC
 - a. National Owner-Handled Series (NOHS) has now been opened to local and national Specialty clubs as well as Group clubs notice
 - b. Event pending notice for GWTA specialty chairman designation requested
 - c. Crufts Qualifying Certificates request to designate specialty
 - d. AKC Outstanding Sportsmanship Award club contact request
2. Miscellaneous
 - a. Various private vendor information received for pet medical insurance, access to vet database by paid membership, buy and sell advertisement space, essential tips on dogs book offer, and Havahart wireless fencing products
 - b. Request for membership roster for database marketing was not granted
 - c. Requests for puppy referrals (2)
 - d. Inquiry on how to choose the best puppy
 - e. Request for foreign membership information from Australia

Correspondence (Sent): Notified AKC that Kathy Colby will be the contact for the AKC National Sportsmanship Award recipient information.

Membership:

As of 2/14/15 our membership totaled 465 Regular, 6 Life, 35 Foreign (w/voting privileges), and 31 Foreign (w/o voting privileges) for a total of **537**.

Local MS Clubs:

1. There are presently 17 local clubs that are active and licensed to hold specialty shows.
2. Reminders to all Local MS Club Delegates to please have their show chairman forward a marked catalog to the AMSC Secretary following their show. Or email, to the AMSC Secretary, a link with

your show results from the Superintendent's website. That information allows us to track the data shown below.

Month in 2015	Club	Entry History							
		2015		2014		2013		2012	
		RC	S/V	RC	S/V	RC	S/V	RC	S/V
JANUARY	Cactus State - Phoenix	X	X	8	1/0	21	X	10	3
	Portland	32	6/0	32	11/0	41	9	37	14
	Chicago			17	2/0	14	X	20	0
FEBRUARY	Cactus State - Scottsdale			49	11/0	24	5	21	4
	Centennial State - Denver			X	X	X	X	X	X
	Gateway			5	0/0	160	36	18	1
APRIL	Northern California			25	3/0	25	6	20	3
	Atlanta	X	X	X	X	X	X	32	6
MAY	Gateway-Schnauzerpalooza	X	X	X	X	160	36	X	X
	Twin Cities-Schnauzerpalooza	X	X	X	X	165	54/4	X	X
	Metropolitan Cleveland			22	1/0	X	X	X	X
	Greater Cincinnati			15	3/0	25	5	31	5
	Centennial State			13	5/0	13	3	28	5
JUNE	Chicago			19	2/0	22	X	18	0/0
	Southern California			57	9/5	46	11/3	74	18/4
	Southern California			57	15/4	46	14/4	X	X
JULY	Lone Star			14	0/1	28	3/1	78	21
	Paul Revere			18	2/0	25	5/0	21	4
	Milshore			17	4/0	9	0/0	14	4
AUGUST	Metropolitan Cleveland	X	X	X	X	6	0/1	11	3
	Twin Cities			0	9/0	10	0/0	11	X
SEPTEMBER	Centennial State			16	7/0	25	4/0	17	10
	Michigan			27	3/0	24	8/0	29	2
OCTOBER	Mount Vernon			16	4/0	26	2/0	21	3
	Northern California			36	10/0	36	6/0	38	11
NOVEMBER	Greater Columbus			26	1/0	14	4/0	X	X
DECEMBER	Central Florida			30	0/0	28	0/0	33	X

RC = Regular Classes, S/V = Sweeps/Veterans, X = No Data Available

VI. REPORT OF THE TREASURER: Bonnie Keyes

2014 Annual Treasurer's Report	2014 Actual Income	2014 Actual Expense	2014 Budgeted Income	2014 Budgeted Expenses	Notes
Contributions					
Other			\$100.00		

Purina Parent Club Program	\$963.09		\$1,200.00		
General Expenses Items					
AKC Delegate		\$889.80		\$1,500.00	
AKC Entries/annual dues				\$35.00	
AKC Fliers		\$225.66		\$250.00	
Advertising				\$250.00	
All Other/Miscellaneous Expenses				\$300.00	
Bank fees & Interest Income	\$162.52	\$265.29	\$95.00	\$50.00	
Donations		\$1,000.00		\$500.00	
Insurance, Dir & Off, Liability		\$1,291.58		\$1,469.00	
Meet the Breeds NYC		\$110.00	\$300.00	\$750.00	
Meet the Breeds - Eukanuba		\$1,401.58		\$750.00	
Membership 540	\$17,662.86		\$15,900.00	\$175.00	
Conference, Reg & Travel		\$1,621.04		\$2,000.00	
PayPal Fees		\$627.72		\$500.00	
Secretary Expenses				\$295.00	
Treasurer Expenses		\$80.99		\$170.00	
President Expenses		\$20.35			
DVD's Prior years	105.00	\$105.49			
Web site maintenance/design		\$7,609.89		\$2,000.00	
Web Site hosting		\$119.88		\$120.00	
Committee's					
AMSCOPE (annual amount)		\$1,802.79		\$2,955.00	
Awards - Local newsletter/website		\$100.00		\$100.00	
- President's / Life time memb		\$64.66		\$150.00	
- Breeder Awards		\$1,079.33		\$450.00	
Health - Programs		\$353.17		\$825.00	
- JRD Study - U of GA		\$300.00	\$500.00	\$300.00	
- DVD Bell Seminar	\$30.75				
Judges Education		\$147.21			
Judges Selection				\$225.00	
Publications & Literature	\$405.00		\$500.00	\$475.00	
Trophies	\$4,187.00	\$3,973.68	\$3,000.00	\$4,650.00	
Ways & Means - Merchandise	\$9,231.40	\$6,783.95	\$900.00	\$1,350.00	
Special Events					
Arizona Roving					
Chair Expenses					

Catalogue adv/entry fee					
Dinner				\$2,100.00	\$2,100.00
Hospitality (coffee, donuts etc)		\$28.49			
Judge's Fee / Expenses		\$1,045.79			\$600.00
Judge & Sweeps Judge Gifts		\$105.95			\$200.00
Meet & Great Get Together					
Board Meeting		\$113.28			
Entry %	\$860.40	\$460.38		\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
Great Western					
Chair Expenses					
Catalogue adv/entry fee					
Hospitality				\$2,250.00	\$2,250.00
Judge's Fee / Expenses		\$1,132.00			\$600.00
Judge & Sweeps Judge Gifts		\$100.00			\$200.00
Board Meeting Room					
Entry %					
Montgomery					
AKC Event Fee		\$15.00			
Chair Expenses		\$6.87			
Catalogue adv/Other Fees				\$550.00	
Cocktail Party	\$1,260.00	\$1,558.21		\$2,527.00	\$2,528.00
Hospitality (coffee, donuts etc)		\$233.29			\$1,500.00
Judge's Fee / Expenses		\$1,162.23			\$600.00
Judge & Sweeps Judge Gifts		\$200.00			\$200.00
Raffle/auction	\$869.00				
Board Meeting Room					
Entry %	\$520.00				
Denver					
Chair Expenses					
Catalogue adv/entry fee					
Denver - continued					
Dinner					
Hospitality (coffee, donuts etc)					
Judge's Fee / Expenses					
Judge & Sweeps Judge Gifts					
Meet & Great Get Together					
Grooming Space	\$270.00	\$750.00			

Board Meeting					
Entry %					
Totals	\$36,527.02	\$36,885.55	\$31,922.00	\$35,372.00	
Net Profit / (Loss)		<u>(\$358.53)</u>		<u>(\$3,450.00)</u>	

**Ending
Balances
12-31-2014**

Checking	\$102,509.91
Rescue	\$7,540.81
Health	\$4,924.36
Trophy	\$7,435.36
Savings	\$0.00
PayPal	\$0.00
CD	\$0.00
	<u>\$122,410.44</u>

CD closed transferred into account
\$33,919.23
Savings transferred into account
\$14,005.58

Interest for 2014 \$1.29

Interest for 2014 \$.97

Interest for 2014 \$1.26

Transferred to Regular Account Interest
for 2014 \$2.05

Monies transferred to regular account at
year end. Hence forth transferred monthly

Transferred to Regular Account

Notes:

I will be transferring \$52,000.00 into a Savings account, until such time as the Finance Committee can meet and make a proposal to the Board in regards to an amount to invest and what type of vehicle we will use for this investment. We have 540 Members as of 12-31-2014. 468 Regular Members, 6 Life Members, 33 Foreign Members w/voting privileges & 33 Foreign Members w/o voting privileges. No new applicants.

Bonnie G Keyes, Treasurer

12/31/2014

January Treasurer's Report

Income	Expenses	Description
\$3,139.50		Dues
\$70.00		Trophy
\$0.29		Interest
	\$25.00	AKC Annual Dues

	\$48.71	PayPal Fees
	\$144.99	Web Maintenance
	\$137.50	AMScope
	\$413.51	Merchandise - Denver
	\$81.16	Health Committee Supplies
	\$75.00	JRD Study
	\$60.00	Spring Roving Grooming Space Refund
\$3,209.79	\$985.87	Totals

\$2,223.92		Net Profit for January 2015
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Account Beginning Balance	Account Ending Balance	
\$102,509.91	\$52,819.70	Checking Account
\$7,435.36	\$7,505.42	Trophy Account
\$4,924.36	\$4,768.24	Health Account
\$7,540.81	\$7,540.87	Rescue Account
\$0.00	\$52,000.13	Holding Savings Account
\$122,410.44	\$124,634.36	
\$2,223.92		Net Change in Accounts

NOTES:

As you can see \$52,000.00 was transferred from Regular checking to a Savings Account.

VII. REPORT OF THE AKC DELEGATE: Don Farley

No report received.

VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. Special Committees:

- **2015 Roving Specialty – Denver, Colorado: Carma Ewer, Carla Nickerson, Margo Klingler**
The local club provided box lunches at the show the day of the AMSC specialty. Cocktail party was cancelled due to lack of response. Multiple issues may have kept members away including weather

and the potential conflict with the Westminster dog show. Normally, there would not be a conflict between the shows. The hosting hotel was very nice and close to the show site too.

- **2015 National Summer Specialty – Long Beach, California: Vera Potiker** - No report received.
- **2015 Fall Specialty – Montgomery County: Brian Bogart**
 - I received an email from Margo Klinger thanking our Club for the “lovely, generous gift” she received for judging regular classes at the 2014 AMSC National Specialty- Montgomery County Kennel Club Show.
 - Contact info for the 2015 AMSC Fall Specialty Coordinator and Advertising Chair was sent to Carol Carlson, show chair of the 2015 Montgomery County Kennel Club (MCKC) Dog Show. The names of our regular class and sweepstakes judges for this event along with their acceptance letters were also sent to Carol.
 - Amy Gordon has kindly volunteered to serve as advertising chair for our 2015 Fall Specialty. My thanks go out to Gloria Lewis performing this task in the past. Details on the 2015 MCKC Advertising Offer to National Specialty Clubs were sent to Amy.
 - The AKC Event Application for Confirmation and AKC Events Club Information for Conformation, Obedience and Rally form were submitted to the American Kennel Club with a copy to Carol Carlson of the MCKC.
 - The Montgomery County Kennel Club is offering National Specialty Clubs at their 2015 show:
 1. \$5.00 for each dog entered in the **breed only**.
 2. Pewter Plate with MCKC medallion for Best of Breed.
 3. Rosettes for the seven top placements (BOB, BOS, BOW, Winners and Reserve Winners, in each sex); Best in Sweeps and BOS in Sweeps; and New Titlists in Obedience and Rally. Additional Rosettes will be charged at cost (presently \$4.00 for standard rosette; additional charge for special orders)
 - Contract for the 2015 MCKC Show was emailed to Bonnie Keyes, AMSC Treasurer.
 - Permission was granted by the AKC to hold the 2015 AMSC Fall Specialty in conjunction with MCKC. Conducting Regular Classes and Sweepstakes Classes were also approved by the AKC. Notification of these approvals was sent to Carol Carlson. The date of both events is Sunday, October 4, 2015. Closing date is Wednesday, September 16, 2015 and MB-F is the Superintendent. Location is Montgomery County Community College, Blue Bell, PA.

NOTE: Homewood Suites needs to be contacted by the hospitality committee to make sure a block of hotel rooms have been booked.

- **2016 National Roving Specialty - Minipalooza: John Constantine**

Planning will begin in earnest this month. Committee is formed. Local clubs have committed; Thursday - Cincinnati, Friday – Gateway (and OB), Sunday - Twin Cities (and OB). We are still working on Agility to be all breed on Thursday and Friday. Saturday would Mini Schnauzer only National Specialty. Saturday will be OB/Rally National Specialty. "Schnauzer of the Year" (top 20 style) competition on Thursday night. Details will be publicized ongoing in the next month or 2 in AMScope. The events will be held from March 30 to April 3, 2016.
- **2017 Roving Specialty Selection Committee: John Constantine**
 - a. The committee would like to propose having our specialty in 2017 in Atlanta Terrier Club, Inc. in Perry, GA, Sunday, April 16, 2017. The Central Florida MSC has agreed to be our host club for this event. However, at the Board meeting, the club graciously agreed to allow the Portland

Miniature Schnauzer Club to host the Roving Specialty in 2017 to allow their celebration of 50 years as a club. The Atlanta show will be held in 2018 as a part of a five day show circuit.

- b. Proposal from Portland Miniature Schnauzer Club for 2017 Roving Specialty consideration in January. Motion was made by Carole Weinberger that Portland Miniature Schnauzer Club take over responsibilities for the 2017 Roving Specialty and the Central Florida Miniature Schnauzer Club will change to April 15, 2018, and seconded by Patty Ledgerwood. Passed unanimously.

B. Standing Committees:

1. AMSCOPE: Carla Borrelli

No report. Contact will be made with Carla about putting club business in a separate area to draw attention to the information.

2. AMSC –L Yahoo Group: Wyoma Clouss

AMSC-L Yahoo Group has had 49,331 comments, 340 members, as of 1/7/2015

3. Audit: Bonnie Keyes

Recommendation for person to perform Audit from Bonnie – none received, Board will check with Bonnie.

4. Awards: Kathy Colby, Lynn Tamms

No report. Recommendation was made to the Board by Carma Ewer for the National Sportsmanship Award nominees, when there is more than one nominee, that their biographical information be shared with the membership. Voting would be done by the general membership rather than the committee. The cutoff for submittal must be early enough for membership to vote and the committee will keep secret who the recipient will be until it is announced at the annual meeting.

Versatility Award: Lynn Baitinger

For the year 2014 we have had two VERSATILITY AWARDS:

Congratulations To:

Kaye M. Kirk

CH Aristos' The Great Communicator for Okaye, CD, BN, PCD, RE, NA, NAJ, NF, RATN CGC
Bred by Patti Henderson, Deborah Huff & Donna Hills

Jeri Muntis

CH Mojave's Miss Congeniality, RN, MXP2, MXPB, MJPB, MJP3, NFP
Bred by Susan McKinney

- **Breeder Referral: Donna Hafen, Gloria Lewis, Marcia Feld, Buzzy Alfano, Carla Nickerson**
The committee does not want to disband even with the website up and running. A different person will be made breeder contact for the website.
- **Companion Events and Performance: Lynn Tamms**
No report.
- **Constitution & By-Laws: Chris Levy**
Chris has been informed that the bylaws are being reworked and her help will be needed soon.
- **Montgomery County Dinner & Annual Meeting: Brooke Walker and Kathy Colby**
No report received.

9. Education: Wyoma Clouss, John Constantine

John Constantine presented the Judges Education seminar in Denver. There were 4 judges that went through our seminar, ringside mentoring, and a hands-on workshop on 2/13/15 during our roving specialty weekend. Thanks to Carma Ewer, Lisa Sarvas, Terrie Houck and Kate McMillan for supplying dogs and handling for the workshop.

10. Electronic Media: Chris Franck/Wyoma Clouss

The new website is up and working, with AMSCestry functional. Items will be updated and corrected as needed.

11. Ethics: Carole Weinberger, Marcia Feld, Patti Henderson

No report.

12. Guidelines: Diane Gardner, Kelly Radcliffe

It seems that little, if any, work has been done on the guidelines for several years. Kelly has already put some time and effort into pulling relevant information from the board minutes in order to update the versions of the guidelines that were posted in the Yahoo Groups. Since the hard part is done, Kelly would like to finish updating the files before sending them to the committee chairs. In doing this, we can at least be sure that the current committee chairs are aware of specific things that they should consider as they're making updates.

13. Health: Patti Henderson, Vera Potiker, Paula Steele DVM, Lisa Sarvas DVM, Kurt Garmaker, Sheila Marks, Bill Brown, Patricia O'Brien

GIGER SEMINAR OCTOBER 2014 -MONTGOMERY COUNTY – Published in February 2015 AMSCope. It is permissible to publish this report to other groups and websites. Sharing is fine.

14. Historian and Policy Records: Richard Isley

No report. Owen Clouss printed out a couple of large format photos from Schnauzerpalooza and the Board meeting at GWTA in June 2014 which will be sent to Richard for safekeeping.

15. Judges Selection: Eunice Revsbech

No report.

16. Legislative Liaison: Kennalea Pratt, Vicki Kubic

No report. Have been sharing items as they come along.

17. Local Club Bulletin/ Websites: Laurie Moore, Kennalea Pratt, Marilyn Oxandale

The committee requested that clubs send newsletters and website addresses to Laurie Moore at swdesign@ymail.com, so the committee can read and look at them for awards at Montgomery County. There is a monthly reminder in AMSCope already.

18. Public Awareness: Vicki Kubic

Our Facebook page now has almost 11K followers from 45 countries; the majority of them (almost 7K) in the U.S. We engage upwards of 14K people on our most popular posts. Average number of "likes" is over 10K weekly. As always, I continue to need good quality, well composed, candid and professional photographs of your dogs and puppies. As you can tell if you follow our page, I like to caption the photos to engage our followers, so photos that allow that helps! Our Facebook page is wonderful, positive exposure for well-bred minis.

Kate McMillan gave a presentation on Twitter and the difference from Facebook. With Twitter you can capture the entire world's attention within minutes. Twitter is immediate,

confrontational, media linked, direct and personal. Twitter is limited to 140 words. You cannot cleanse a Twitter feed. Kate recommends that members get an account and get active, start by following friends or events. Kate is available to help others. Twitter is almost the opposite of Facebook. Quick description of Facebook is the 4 F's: Friends, Family, Female and hates Friction. It is not a place to problem solve, especially controversial issues. Karen Prokopetz that works with Minister of Health in Saskatchewan gave her real life experience in Canada on consumer input: Letter writing has no power and emails have no power to influence political representatives.

Personal contact to establish a relation with local legislators can be a very effective way to open communication channels including email as experienced by Wyoma Clouss.

19. Publications and Literature: Patricia O'Brien

Inventory:

Grooming charts 72

Illustrated Standards 301

CD 12

So You want to show your Miniature Schnauzer 3

So you want a Miniature Schnauzer Puppy 19

Income:

Grooming Charts \$104

Illustrated Standards \$38

CD \$40

Total Income = \$182

Expenses:

Postage \$ 28.52

Grooming Charts 8@\$2 = \$16

Illustrated Standards 3@\$2.40 = \$7.20

Total Expenses = \$51.72

PROFIT = \$130.28

20. Rescue: Kelly Radcliffe

No report.

21. Trophies: Nita Ainsworth, Kathy Colby, Carma Ewer, Margo Klingler

Shows will be set by calendar year starting with Montgomery County 2015 through the end of 2016 for the budget for awards. Medallions will be the same type and quality for conformation and performance as follows: 3" medallion for BOB, 2" medallion for BOS and Select, 1.5" medallion for AOM, 3" medallion for HIT and 2" medallion for High Combined. The Committee would like to get a rosette for each 1st place in each class if the budget allows. Motion to accept medallion proposal from the Trophy Committee to be made in brass was made by Patty Ledgerwood and seconded by Carol Hafner. There are several 3" medallions available now. The Trophy Committee has the 3" medallions needed for the next two specialties, but the balance of the medallions is in Barbara Donahue's possession. The 1.5" medallions will be used for AOM until they are gone. Once they are depleted, the AOM will receive a 2" medallion. The motion was amended to order the die and 100 of the 2" antique brass medallions at a cost of \$4,435. This motion was seconded by Lisa Sarvas. Motion passed unanimously.

Trophies for WD, WB, RWD and RWB, 1st in each class, Veterans, Best in Sweeps, BOS in Sweeps were discussed. The Committee requested \$3,500 for these trophies plus they will need additional \$1,200 to cover the extra show to get to a calendar year rotation. Nita Ainsworth made a motion for the Committee for \$4,700 for trophies. Motion passed unanimously. The Trophy Committee is open to any suggestions for trophies.

22. Ways And Means: Carma Ewer, Luana Nedich, Nita Ainsworth

There are some new items out including embroidered hats, shirts and glittery items. Ideas for items to sell are welcomed by the committee.

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Set up an audit/auditor for the Treasurer's books – Wyoma will contact Bonnie Keyes.
2. Confirmation of 2014-15 budget - Balloted voting was completed to confirm the 2014-15 budget in December. The budget was confirmed by 81% vote of 17 - Yes, 0 – No, 4 - Abstentions. An interesting note on the voting using snail mail was that one vote took over 2 weeks to reach me and was feared lost when original results were published to the Board in December.
3. Future Criteria for Associate Membership – The suggested language to change Associate Membership criteria was discussed. Motion to approve the suggested language submitted by John Constantine. No second was submitted. Item dies for lack of a second. Further discussion ensued concerning associate membership with no voting rights. Carole Weinberger will work on language for a newsletter only membership for the next Board meeting. Carole Weinberger, Vicki Kubic and Patti Henderson (?) are working on a rewrite of the membership application. They will look at developing language for associate membership too.
4. By Laws rewrite for reduction in Board members – The problem of getting a quorum for Board meetings is the reason for looking at the reduction of the number of Board members. If the Board decides to move forward, the process is to decide how the Board would like to make changes and present those changes to the AKC for approval. Once the approval process is completed, the changes to the bylaws will be present to the membership to vote by written ballot on the changes. It takes 2/3s of those responding to change the bylaws.
Proposed:
Elect three new Board (Board of Governors) members annually for three year terms, then must sit out 1 yr as currently from that position.
Elect Officers for two year terms, may be re-elected for second term, and then must sit out a year for that position. President and Treasurer would rotate out of office on the same term and the Secretary and Vice President will rotate out on the next term. (Total voting Board members would be 14, quorum of 8. Total of 15 in the first year of a Past-President serving, quorum of 9)
The AKC Delegate would not be an official Board member and will not be counted for the quorum unless he is elected to a Board position. (Total voting Board would be 13, quorum of 7)
During the transition to this new structure, any current Board members may continue, or may opt to resign if they wish, or may move to proposed Advisory Group, without being replaced until the number of 9 is reached.
Motion of make the changes to the bylaws to be submitted to the AKC was made by Wyoma Clouss and seconded by Patty Ledgerwood. Motion passed unanimously.
5. Advisory Group concept – With the proposed reduction of Board members, this Advisory Group can be used to preserve the expertise of the club by having a non-voting group that can be called upon by the President as needed for specific topics. There would not be a requirement that the

advisory group attend every Board meeting, only when called upon by the President. Several “committees” that currently exist do not have any information to add to meetings on a regular basis. For example, Constitution and Bylaws, Guidelines, Historian & Policy Records, and Policy have not had reports to the Board in quite some time. These members should be added to the Advisory Group. This structure would eliminate the need for “committees” that rarely have anything to report to the Board and for those members to have to submit a “No Report” for the Board agendas. An alternate concept to consider would be to have short term working groups for specific projects that disband once a project is completed, and then there would be no need for an advisory group. The Board likes the concept and requested Wyoma Clouss and Carol Hafner work on the concept for reduction of committees.

X. ELECTION OF NEW MEMBERS: Carole Weinberger

No applications processed.

XI. NEW BUSINESS

1. Nominating Committee appointments – By July 1st, we need a new slate of officers. Carla Nickerson, Carle Weinberger, Patty Ledgerwood, Stella Van Cleave and Jackie Eversbach served on the Nominating Committee last year and cannot serve this year. This year’s committee will be chaired by Amy Gordon and will include Nita Ainsworth, Terrie Houck, Brooke Walker and Julie Cooper. The members at large alternates will be Patti Henderson and Carma Ewer.
2. Discussion of Health Information on website – Trying to let a puppy buyer know what to be looking for and what to ask on the “General Health” page. The information is available through links to inform, but not scare the public. The Health Committee will determine what will be available to the public portion of the website. Extensive and detailed health information will be available to members through the members’ only area of the website. A health topics hyperlink will be added to the General Health page. That link will open a new tab with further health information links in alphabetical order. There will be a separate listing of associated organizations links including, but not limited to, American Association of Holistic Vets, American College of Vet Internal Medicine, American College of Vet Nutrition, American Kennel Club, and American Vet Med Association. The Board is supportive of the health links concept with the Health Committee to develop content on the links.

XII. CLOSED SESSION (Board members only)

1. Ethics Committee
2. Board Member attendance

XIII. ADJOURNMENT:

Wyoma called for a motion to adjourn this meeting at 8:16 PM MST. Motion to adjourn passed unanimously.

Next Board Meeting Friday, June 19, 2015 at Long Beach, California one hour after breed judging or 4:00 p.m. whichever is later.