

AMSC Board Meeting

Minutes

June 5, 2019

8:03 PM Eastern Daylight Time

Revised 8/12/2019

Board Members present:

Carol Weinberger – President
Patti Henderson – Vice President
Bonnie Keyes – Treasurer
Kaye Kirk – Secretary
Barbara Donahue – AKC Delegate
Gale Schnetzer
Marie Murphy
Vicki Kubic
Sonny Lelle
Patricia O'Brien
Beth Santure
Shirley Fry
Stella Van Cleave
Cathi Rohrer
Sharon Edwards
Carma Ewer
Patty Ledgerwood
Mary Paisley

President Carole Weinberger read the Conference Call Protocol.

Approval of agenda

Patti Henderson moved to approve the agenda and Shirley Fry seconded. The Agenda was approved.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:

Patti Henderson moved to approve the Minutes from the meeting of April 3, 2019 and Patty Ledgerwood seconded. Minutes were approved.

BOARD REPORTS:

Report of the President Carole Weinberger

Carole stated that SchnauzaPalooza was a success, although final numbers are not in, we did make some money. She recommends that if we do it again, we use a different Superintendent.

Report of the Vice President Patti Henderson

Patti reported that 429 Revised Constitution and By-Laws were mailed out for a vote. Three have been returned by USPS as undeliverable – including Alice Gough and Stacy O'Rourke. 138 have been returned so far.

We took time to take up a special issue regarding Breed Statistics and had a special guest, Chris Levy. Specific issues are lines of descendency and Best of Opposite points calculated under the past Schnauzer Shorts System. Discussion was that the software we use for AMSCestry should be able to do the lines of descendency.

Chris Levy said that we could do these calculations, but do we want to? We can get detailed reports from AKC that will show every dog entered in every show. She said that as of three years ago, it was about \$560 for a monthly report. Barbara Donahue believes it is about \$1,200 now for a report that covers all venues.

We would be getting raw data that someone would have to review the information and assess it. Patti Henderson said that Jan Taylor works with Owen Clouss on AMSCestry and she is going to get some sample copies of reports that the software we use for AMSCestry will allow to be run. She believes there is a lot more information available through the current software. Jan said that there are a lot of errors in AMSCestry that would need to be corrected for the information to be truly useful.

Some things we need to decide:

1. What is not being kept now that we need to keep
2. Who will do it
3. Where will it be kept and distributed

A Special Committee was formed to look at these issues. Cathi Rohrer will Chair, other members will be Terri Houck, Kathy Rager, and Vicki Kubic. Jan Taylor and Chris Levy will be advisory members. Barbara Donahue questioned if anyone had knowledge of the software, and was told that Jan Taylor and Patti Henderson do. Discussion was that a logical place to keep the information would be our website. Sonny Lelle moved that we create this special committee and Patti Henderson seconded, motion passed.

Chris Levy also discussed our issue with Item #45 on the C&BL changes. AKC has indicated that they don't like our potential "no" vote on this. They think it is a

conflict. AMSC is incorporated in Maryland. We need an attorney licensed in MD to sign off on the C&BL to state they are not in conflict with state law. Sharon Edwards stated she knew of an attorney we could contact an attorney licensed in MD, but he was not cheap. Barbara Donahue stated that Kelly Radcliffe is in an Association in Maryland that may be able to assist at less cost than an attorney. Carole will contact Kelly tomorrow to see if she can help.

Treasurer - Bonnie Keyes provided financial reports to the Board members. SchnauzaPalooza will make money, probably a net income of \$1,900, but all numbers are not in as yet.

AKC Delegate – Barbara Donahue - There are 15 clubs working on getting AKC information on reasons for Dock & Crop for inclusion in the AKC developed document being spearheaded by the AMSC Special Committee so that they have information to use for official purposes. There are currently about 1,200 bills being tracked by AKC. There was a discussion of various legislation. Vicki Kubic and Kelly Radcliffe are on top of it.

Committee Reports –

AMSC-L - Vicki Kubic – Vicki has begun the process of cleaning up the member list. She is deleting those that are no longer members, trying to address undeliverable emails to get the members correct and current. It is imperative that members review the roster and let Bonnie Keyes know of any changes.

AWARDS - Sue Ratz and Shawne Imler are in charge of annual awards. Sonny is chair of the committee looking at the Breeder awards. Beth Santure, Gale Schnetzer and Marie Murphy are on the committee. Sonny discussed they are looking at issues of how to handle multiple owners. They have a question of how much the awards cost. Should every owner get an award, or just the first listed. Current requirements are that the breeder is a member, shouldn't the owner also have to be a member? Discussion that they looked at the SSCA awards and for them, the person has to apply for the award. Bonnie stated the we pay about \$1,000 for all the awards. There was some discussion and these recommendations may not be ready for Montgomery County this year. The committee will get back together and come back with recommendations at the August Board meeting.

Versatility Awards – Carole said that she signs quite a few of these on a regular basis. Beth Santure discussed the Total Dog Awards at Palooza, there were 24 entered and 15 to 18 qualified.

Constitution and By Laws – Chris Levy – The revised C&BL will not take place immediately as previously discussed. AKC will have to review and approve and therefore they will likely not take effect until next year.

Montgomery County – Barbara Donahue said that the hotel is available now to make reservations. Luana will be there this year. Catering contract has been signed and Members' reception costs are going up every year. Vicki Kubic moved to raise the reception price to \$20. Patty Ledgerwood seconded. Motion passed.

Judges' Education – John Constantine – We had good participation at Palooza. Chris Levy took the lead for the Miniature Schnauzers and we combined with the Standard Schnauzers. John believes that we will do another education either this year or next. Beth Santure brought up that at Palooza we decided to convey to the Judges' Education Committee that we wanted to make sure that we educated the Judges on proper measuring of the Miniature Schnauzer. Carole Weinberger has looked into purchasing an official wicket and the cost is \$200 plus shipping and handling. It is an additional \$30 for a carrying case. Patty Ledgerwood moved to buy a wicket to use at our Judges' seminars. Sonny Lelle seconded. Motion Passed. The Board would like for a measuring demo to be done at each seminar and encourages as much hands on education as possible.

Health Committee Report- there is a funding request of \$2500 donor advised funding for Cardiomyopathy. Also a request for \$1500 for the three vets on the committee to attend the CHF conference in August in St. Louis. This would be \$500 each. Patricia O'Brien moved to accept this and Patty Ledgerwood seconded. The motion Passed. Carole advised that Patricia no longer wanted to continue as chair of this committee and she reinstated Patti Henderson as chair.

Historian & Policy – We have some guidelines and we need to get the boxes that Richard Islely had. Gale Schnetzer volunteered to attempt to get the boxes.

Judge's selection – Bonnie Keyes says that she will be ready to do this when we decide where the specialty is going to be.

Legislative Liaison – Vicki Kubic - Kelly Radcliffe of PA has agreed to co-chair this committee.

Local Club Bulletin/Websites: Carol Henning, Jackie Harris (listed in roster) – From Vicki Kubic: "I was charged to try to get a new committee together as the past committee has been on for several years. Ronnie Smith stepped up and below you'll see the new committee information for AMSCOPE. I also think we need to change the name of the committee to better reflect what they do. Suggestion is – Regional Club Newsletter and Website Committee." Ronnie Smith – Chair, Leslie Gault Mendelsohn, and Susan Quinn members.

Trophies – Amy Gordon and Barbara Donahue - Trophies at Palooza were very pretty. Tatania Meyers did a nice job. As far as the budget, extra money was raised for the Palooza trophies and Trophies are not part of the Palooza budget.

Ribbons are not a part of the trophy budget. Extra fundraising was done at the all terrier agility trial and the garage sale, so there is more to help cover the additional trophy expenses.

Membership – Jacque Ebersbach - The applications of Alfredo Santiago Cedeno, Heather Dangelmaier, John Schauer, Peggy J. Ambrosch and Alberto Montila were discussed and voted in.

Discussed the application of A. Garcia and Carole advised that Ms. Garcia had advised her that if she had realized that it would impact her possible membership in the club, she would not have had her dog with a tail shown here. Carole agreed to contact her. Vicki K would like to request something in writing from her to confirm this. Patty Ledgerwood moved to table the application to wait on something in writing, Barbara Donahue seconded, application was tabled.

Roving Specialty – John Constantine was on the call and said that the Grayslake shows are five days of shows, one day of specialties and four all breed shows. There are group shows on Saturday. There will be reserved grooming for our group. There are lots of hotels, people can fly into either Chicago or Milwaukee. There was some concern about the grooming area, as people have fallen in the area. The show will be June 17-21, 2021. The Specialty will be the 20th. The 2020 Specialty is in Sacramento as part of the Northern California Terrier show. Patti Henderson moved to accept Grayslake as our 2021 Roving Specialty and Cathi Rohrer seconded. Motion Passed.

Nominating Committee - Gale Schnetzer - 2020 Slate

President – John Constantine-Amodei

Vice-President – Vicki Kubic

Treasurer – Bonnie Keyes

Secretary – Kaye Kirk

AKC Delegate – Barbara Donahue

Class of 2023 – Sue Ratz

Debbie Herrell

Laurie Moore

Wyoma Clouss

Website – Vicki Kubic believes we should wait to change password until she is finished cleaning up the AMSC-L

New Business:

SchnauzaPalooza – Patti Henderson reported we had a huge entry, all events went very well. All ribbons have been mailed out. She wanted to thank

everyone who played a part, it could not have been done without a lot of people pulling together and helping.

Morris & Essex 2020 – We are supporting the entry. We need trophies different from Montgomery County. It will just be the Major trophies, Best of Breed, Best of Opposite, Best of Winners. Winners' Dog & Bitch. We need a chair for the event, it should not be a huge commitment. Barbara Donahue thinks we should post on the list to see if someone wants to chair.

Carole emphasized the point that the by-laws require that a board member must be off the board for a year after completing his or her term and it is inappropriate to appoint someone just finishing a term to fill a vacancy immediately.

Vicki will put information regarding how to handle AKC bench procedures on the website so that they are easy to find for members that may need them.

Discussion on when the minutes should be sent to board. Decision was that they should be out three weeks from the meeting.

Next meeting will be sometime in August.

Patti Henderson moved to adjourn and Vicki Kubic seconded and the Meeting was adjourned at 10:22 pm Eastern.