

AKKAOA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES – March 21, 2007

AGENDA:

Call to Order

Roll Call & Welcome

Reading of the Minutes

President's Report

Secretary Report

Treasurer's Report

Liaison Report

Committee Reports (all received except Rescue)

Constitution/By Laws

Logo/Fund Raising

Education

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Rescue

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2007 Annual Meeting and Picnic

Nominating

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Committee Guidelines

Health & Medical Committee; California Pet Expo Committee; Golden West Group

Bylaws Revision

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New Business

Show & Event Committee Additions

Health & Medical Research Committee Additions & Removal

Pet Expo Committee

Dog World Annual Rare Breed Issue

Pet Expo Expenses

AKKAOA Brochure

External Drive for Secretary

Board Rotation

Quarterly Meetings

Operating Guidelines & Procedures – Tabled

Membership Drive

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CA 1634

Adjournment

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:33 p.m. CDT by Tammy Martin, President. Present in addition to Tammy were Lenor Lynas, Secretary; Patty Ramsburg, Treasurer; Terry Wright, Membership Secretary; and Lo Binkley, Director. Patricia Zengel, Director, arrived at 7:42 p.m. CDT.

Minutes of Meeting February 21, 2007: Everyone acknowledged receipt of these minutes via email. Tammy moved that the minutes be accepted, second by Lo. Minutes were approved and vote was made official by mail-in vote

President's Report: Everyone acknowledged receipt of the President's Report via email. Motion to accept the President's Report was made by Terry, second by Barbara. Motion passed unanimously and was made official by mail-in vote.

Secretary's Report: Everyone present acknowledged receipt of the Secretary's Report as via email. Tammy made a motion to accept the Secretary's Report as written, second by Lo. Motion passed unanimously and was made official by mail-in vote.

Treasurer's Report: Everyone acknowledged receipt of the Treasurer's Report via email. Tammy made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report, second by Terry. The motion passed unanimously and was made official by mail-in vote.

Beginning Balance	\$10,341.95
Income	187.83
Expenses	<u>1183.52</u>
Ending Balance	\$ 9346.26

Liaison Report: Everyone acknowledged receipt of the Liaison Report via email. Tammy made a motion to accept the Liaison Report, seconded by Lo. The motion passed unanimously and was made official by mail-in vote.

Committee Reports: Reports received from all committees are attached to these minutes.

OLD BUSINESS:

Bounced Checks: Due to the receipt of several bad checks in the past few months, Tammy made a motion to charge a \$25 fee for each returned check; after 2 bounced checks the signer will be put on a "cash only policy" and no additional checks will be accepted until outstanding checks are paid for including the \$25 fee. The motion, seconded by Lenor, passed unanimously and was made official by mail-in vote.

Committee Guidelines for H&MR Committee, Pet Expo Committee and Golden West Group: Everyone acknowledged receipt of the guidelines for the above committees via email. Tammy made a motion to accept the guidelines for these committees, seconded by Terry. The motion passed unanimously and was made official by mail-in vote.

Bylaws Revisions: Tammy reported that the Bylaws were nearly ready for mailing to the membership for approval. According to the present bylaws the ballots must be in the hands of the Tally Committee Chairman by May 1. We will attempt to get them in the mail by April 7 so that members have at least two weeks to review them and mail in their votes.

PayPal Fees: A discussion on the fees charged for the use of PayPal and whether the charge should be passed on to those that use PayPal ensued. The decision was to table this idea for now and revisit it later after we see how much PayPal is used.

Rescue: Tammy made a motion to take a vote of the membership to determine if we want Rescue to stay in the club, or have it outside the club, second by Lo. The motion passed unanimously and was approved by mail-in vote. Tammy will draft an explanation letter to be sent to the members to ask for their vote and will send the draft to the BOD for approval.

NEW BUSINESS

Show and Event Committee Additions: Tammy made a motion to add Kenny Compton to this committee, seconded by Terry. Motion passed unanimously and was made official by mail-in vote.

Tammy made a motion to add Sharon Hari to the above committee, seconded by Patty. Motion passed unanimously and was made official by mail-in vote.

Tammy made a motion to add Ed Hari to the above committee, seconded by Terry. Motion passed unanimously and was made official by mail-in vote.

Tammy made a motion to add Tony Mass to the above committee, second by Patty. Motion passed unanimously and was made official by mail-in vote.

Tammy made a motion to add Holly Mass to the above committee, second by Terry. Motion passed unanimously and was made official by mail-in vote.

Tammy made a motion to add Jennifer Cook to the above committee, second by Patty. Motion passed unanimously and was made official by mail-in vote.

Tammy made a motion to add Patricia Zengel to the above committee, second by Barbara. Motion passed unanimously and was made official by mail-in vote.

Health & Medical Research Committee Additions & Removal:

Tammy made a motion to add Bryan Jones to the above committee, second by Lo. Motion passed unanimously and was made official by mail-in vote.

Tammy made a motion to add Kathryn Jones to the above committee, second by Barbara. Motion passed unanimously and was made official by mail-in vote.

Tammy made a motion to add Patricia Zengel to the above committee, second by Lo. Motion passed unanimously and was made official by mail-in vote.

Tammy made a motion to add Jen Endresen to the above committee, second by Lo. Motion passed unanimously and was made official by mail-in vote.

Tammy made a motion to remove Alicia Adams from the above committee, second by Lo. Motion passed unanimously and was made official by mail-in vote.

Pet Expo Committee: Tammy made a motion to make the Pet Expo Committee a sub-committee under the Golden West Group, second by Lo. Motion passed unanimously and was made official by mail-in vote.

Dog World Annual Rare Breed Issue: Tammy asked the Board whether we would like to put another ad in the Dog World Rare Breed issue this year. The deadline for the ad is May 15. The Board discussed putting in a smaller ad than last time, and since the issue comes out in September/October, we might consider an ad advertising our show in MO. Tammy stated that she would get the information and prices to the Board members before the next meeting so that a decision could be made then.

Pet Expo Expenses: Tammy made a motion to have AKKAOA purchase tickets for the workers with a maximum expenditure of \$200, seconded by Lo. Motion passed unanimously and was made official by mail-in vote.

AKKAOA Brochure: Tammy made a motion to authorize printing the new AKKAOA brochure for a maximum \$150, seconded by Lo. Motion passed unanimously and was made official by mail-in vote. The brochures will be available for Pet Expo and a copy will be sent to each member with their ballots for the bylaws amendments.

External Hard Drive for Secretary: Tammy made a motion to expend a maximum of \$200 to purchase an external hard drive for the Secretary to use to transfer club records to the new secretary, second by Lo. Motion passed unanimously and was made official by mail-in vote.

Board Rotation: Tammy made a motion to amend our proposed bylaws as follows: Cancel the elections in 2008. Extend the terms of the current President, Treasurer and director by one year. In 2009, elect a President, Vice President, Treasurer and director. Extend the terms of the Secretary, Membership Secretary

and the other director one year so that those positions come up for election in 2010. Motion was seconded by Lo. Motion passed unanimously and was made official by mail-in vote.

Quarterly Meetings: During discussions with Michelle at UKC, she suggested that we hold quarterly membership meetings on line. Until the amendments to the Bylaws are approved, these meetings will be informal but Tammy would like to get them started. The Board agreed, and Tammy will draft up some guidelines and set a date for the first quarterly meeting.

Operating Guidelines and Procedures: These will be handled like the Bylaws.

Membership Drive: Tammy made a motion to offer a free year's membership to anyone who brings in three members in a year. If they bring in six new members, maybe a free membership and a tee shirt or free entry for a dog at one of our hosted shows. The motion, seconded by Lo, passed unanimously and was made official by mail-in vote.

CA Bill 1634: This is proposed legislation to mandate spay and neuter of all dogs less than 4 months of age. There are some exclusions, including Search & Rescue dogs, Guide dogs, etc. but the concern is that this is the tip of the iceberg and HSUS may force this on ALL dogs. Breeders would be exempt if they pay a huge fee each year. This is their attempt to control unwanted strays.

Patricia made a motion that we lend our moral support to opposing California AB 1634 by inviting our members via our newsletter to contact their representatives in CA and elsewhere where such legislation is pending, seconded by Lenor. Motion passed unanimously and was made official by mail-in vote.

ADJOURNMENT: The next meeting will be Wednesday, April 24 at 7:30 CDT. Tammy made a motion to adjourn this meeting at 10:38 p.m. CT, seconded by Lenor. Motion passed unanimously and was made official by mail-in vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Lenor Lynas
AKKAOA Secretary

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Tammy Martin

Bylaws are almost ready for approval from the membership. I talked to Michelle last Friday. We went through each item. Discuss it and she made recommendations. She suggested for us to change our quorum from 20% to 10% and having quarterly membership meeting. She was willing to allow us to change the election rotation, but she wanted us to describe how we were going to make the change. She was sent three options, waiting to hear back from her.

Secretary' Report – Lenor Lynas

No further nominations were received for the new Board. The new officers will be

Lo Binkley, Vice President
Matt Dushek, Secretary
Sharon Hari, Membership Secretary
Fran Morano, Director

Liaison Report – Barbara Wiebelhaus

Called UKC to find out where our C&BL were for review and found out that UKC had set aside the stack of C&BL's they were working on to close out registration for a Premier Event. I mentioned that our election was going on at this moment and that we would like to mail out our C&BL along with the ballots to be voted on, if possible. I don't know if that is why our C&BL was reviewed next or if it just happened to come up, but on Thursday or Friday, UKC notified Tammy that they had reviewed the C&BL and needed to get in contact with her to review their comments and changes that needed to be made.

2007 Annual AKK Picnic Report: - Terry Wright, Co-Chair

The Annual AKK Picnic committee consists of:

Mary Jones - TX ~ Tammy Martin - MO

Lenor Lynas - KY and Terry Wright - AK (Co-Chairs)

So far we have decided to have the annual picnic on Friday, October 19th, from approximately 11 am to 6 pm. We have rented the Smith Park Pavilion for the above hours; the Park is located next to the show site. The pavilion includes: tables, grills, 2-20 amp electrical outlets, restrooms and drinking fountains. No alcohol allowed in the park.

We are discussing what we want to do about food, games, contests, activities, seminars, prizes, raffles and a schedule of the events.

The Picnic Flyer is being worked on for the website and to mail to the membership along with raffle tickets.

PR Committee – Terry Wright, Chair

Bryan finished the AKKAOA Brochure and it is getting placed on the Website this month. Great job Bryan!

Bryan is working with Virginia to make sure that the brochure folds correctly when printed from their printer before we have them printed for us. Lo, Virginia will be printing out 1000 for you for Pet Expo.

Also submitted for the 15th:

Tammy's Bio

AKKAOA History

MO - Show Premium

The Dog Fancy March 2000 Article w/photos and the January 2007 Dog World article w/photos have been added to the website. Thanks to Kristi for typing them for us! The March 2004 Bloodlines Article "Why we need a Health and Medical Research Committee" by Lo Binkley is listed.

A *News and Updates Page* Visit the New and Updates page for the latest website updates and AKKAOA News, has been added to the front page of the website. Not sure how that is going to work, but thought we can give it a couple of months. It might be a nightmare to keep up; I am keeping in contact with Jeff about it.

There were a couple of things that were submitted that haven't been added or fixed yet, but Jeff will get them fixed up for us.

Pet Expo – Lo Binkley, Chair:

The Pet Expo info was listed with backpage.com I think it is only an online publication, it is suppose to run every week till the event:

<http://orangecounty.backpage.com/community/classifieds/Results?category=4451§ion=4382>

Jim's daughter Sheree in CA will be putting info into the Recycler for us also. Since I don't live in CA I could not do that myself.

Emailed the Press release to the OC Post, the LA Daily News and the OC Register. I have heard from the

Orange County Register, Maryanne Dell - Pet columnist/quality team leader -- Features. MaryAnne has become extremely interested in the AKK. And when I told her about the upcoming Claremont shows, she asked me to send her that Press Release. Maryanne has been very helpful and very nice to work with. She even mentioned making a point of going to the Pet Expo to check out the AKK... Lo, she has you as the contact person.

Alicia Robinson was sent the Press Release, at the Daily Pilot - alicia.robinson@latimes.com And asked her some questions about submitting the Press Release (PR), since her email address has LA Times in it, maybe she can help getting it in that publication. I have not heard back from Alicia.
UPDATE: I just received an email from Alicia, she has forwarded the press release to Amanda Pennington, their reporter who covers the Saturday shift and she may be interested in coming to the event. And Alicia said that we are on their radar now. Lo, they have you as the contact person.

So, check out the Website when you have a few minutes to look around... see what you think.

Membership – Terry Wright

At this time I have nothing new to report on the membership.

Logo Usage/Fund Raising Committee – Lenor Lynas, Chair

We are continuing to work on the Cookbook. We plan to have recipes for beast and human, kitchen tips, doggie tips, photos, doggie stories, and whatever else to make it interesting. The flyer was in the newsletter and we put a notice on Advocates but so far have not received any input from anyone other than a member of the committee. I hope the interest picks up.

Constitution & Bylaws - Barbara Wiebelhaus, Chair

Tammy has worked out changes with UKC for our revised C&BL and has made the revisions and we are hoping to have it ready to send out to the membership to be voted on this coming week along with the attachments with it. Attachments are: AKKAOA Operating Procedures and Code of Ethics.

Pet Expo Committee Lo Binkley, Chair

Requests have been sent to all the AKK contacts that I have, requesting numbers and dates about their participation. Will know more and can report more specifics next month.

At this time, I'd like to request that this committee be dissolved, and let its duties come under the umbrella of the Golden West Group. This committee was established almost as an ad hoc committee, which was appropriate at that time. One person can do the initial contacts, take the information, and get the necessary paperwork out to the participants.

This year, Pet Expo will no longer give free passes to the participants, because of the abuse by so many people in the past. Because of this, I will request up to \$200 to pay for passes for the Pet Expo (pays for 40 people, but I doubt we'll have that many).

Report of Golden West Group – Lo Binkley, Chair

Things are moving right along for both Pet Expo and the July Shows (AKA Weekend 29). Currently, judges are being sought for the January '08 shows (Weekend 04), and we are awaiting replies back from 2 of the judges.

I request that the following individuals be added to the Show planning Committee, as they are all integral players in the activities of AKKAOA here in the Golden West:

Sharon & Eddy Hari	kayron111@aol.com
Tony & Holly Mass	Newt101@verizon.net
Jeni & Donna Sue Cook	jeni50@cox.net
Patricia Zengel	pzengel@pacbell.net

SHOW & EVENT – Tammy Martin, Chair

CA shows reported by Golden West Group

Annual Picnic and Meeting reported by that committee

October Shows:

We have sent out the judge contracts. Tim Parr will be judging the Specialty on Friday. He will also be judging the APBT and TFT on Saturday Show #1.

Working on securing a photographer.

All the paperwork for the show will go out the first of April; it is not due until May 1st.

We have a host hotel. It will be the La Quinta Inn 417-520-8800. Tell them you are with AKKAOA. We have 18 doubles and 10 king room blocked for \$62 a night (down from \$99). They will also allow us to reserve the suites, which have a king bed and a pull out sofa, with a kitchenette for \$75 a night (down from \$149). The deadline is October 5th, if booked after that it will be first come, first serve at the higher rate.

We are looking for people that can work as ring stewards. We are going to run three rings. The letter to rent the ring gates and mats has been sent out.

We will have a flyer done. We are going to start promoting the show as soon as the information is posted to the webpage.

We are working with Lenor for Linda Spurlin to help with doing some prizes that weekend for both the MB and Specialty.

We have several new members to add to the committee. They are: Kenny Compton, Sharon Hari, Eddy Hari, Tony Mass, Holly Mass, Jeni Cook, Donna Sue Cook, Patricia Zengel

Health & Medical Research Committee – Lo Binkley, Chair

I would like to add the following to the Health & Medical Research Committee, in addition to those currently serving: Please add: Patricia Zengel, San Diego, CA as well as: Bryan Jones, RN husband & wife team from Great Falls, MT Kathryn Jones, RN and PhD (Psychology) Candidate who will join: Julie Borst Reed; Susan Settle, Lab Tech, Ohio; Raechel Fox, Vet Tech, Iowa. I am on the lookout for a couple more members. It would be nice to have a couple from the East Coast. I would like to add Jennifer Endresen to the Health & Medical Research Committee. (Katy, TX) She is an RN, currently working on her Masters in Nursing Education. She is all excited about taking on developing and publishing (on website and in Newsletter) Alaskan Klee Kai Case Reports. Finally!!!! I have found someone who can really do this, and I do like her attitude. I will send her the info that I have (1 case of Allergic Bronchitis with Asthma and a couple of cases of Distichiae) and that I am receiving from Kathy Burnett (2 cases of urinary stones in dogs on Pedigree dog food) and from Susan Sutton who has 2 siblings (AKK) with Fanconi Syndrome.

YAY!!

