



LOWCHEN CLUB OF AMERICA ONLINE BOARD DISCUSSION APRIL & MAY 2008

LCA Board meeting called to order April 28, 2008 by JoAllyn Beckett. Roll call: JoAllyn Beckett, Althea Smith, Lyle Harding, Herb Williams, Jann Nienhaus, Debbie King, Glenda Martin, Barbara Cecil, Cecile Balizet, Carol Strong,

JoAllyn Beckett proposed a 24 hour postponement for approval of the minutes to give Board members time for review. Agreement to the postponement by Herb Williams, Carol Strong, Barbara Cecil, Earle Marie Dingel, Lyle Harding, Glenda Martin, Cecile Balizet, Debbie King, Althea Smith, and Jann Nienhaus.

"I make a motion to accept the Minutes as written by the Recording Secretary for the July 2007, September 2007, October 2007, November 2007, December 2007, and January 2008 Board Meetings presented to the Board on May 1, 2008 and the Minutes of the August 2007 and February 2008 Board Meetings presented on May 3, 2008 and that these minutes be published in the next Headlions and placed on the Lowchen Club of America's website under the "Club Information" link. Herb" Votes for Herb Williams motion – Yea - Herb Williams, Earle Marie Dingel, Debbie King, Cecile Balizet, Barbara Cecil, Jann Nienhaus, JoAllyn Beckett, Carol Strong. Nay - Lyle Harding.

Corresponding Secretary Report

AKC Agility Invitational, AKC National Obedience Invitational and the eighth annual AKC/Eukanuba National Championship will be in Long Beach, CA on December 13 and 14, 2008. AKC Parent Clubs are offered the opportunity to award three special conformation medallions <which> will be presented in the club's name BoB, BoOS, BBBE winners. Conformation Gold, Silver, and Bronze medallions are offered for \$75 (set of three) -- the medallions for Obedience and Agility are offered at \$45 (each). **Deadline for Conformation is October 1, for Obedience and Agility is August 1, 2008.**

New Correspondence: AKC Canine Health Foundation reported they had a record-breaking year in the Purina Parent Club Partnership Program (PPCPP). The LCA participation resulted in a donation of \$61.30 to the AKC Canine Health Foundation Lowchen Donor Advised Fund. Additional information available at www.akcchf.org.

Yesterday received another letter from Canine Health Foundation requesting a LCA contribution toward eye disease research noting several studies that need Club funding. The Canine Health Foundation noted that as of March, 2007 our fund held \$1484.

Active Grant #642 Investigation of the Genetic Mutations Underlying Progressive Retinal Atrophy

Active Grant #747 The Mapping and Characterization of Mutations Responsible for Canine Glaucoma

Active Grant #763 Capsular Tension Ring Effect on Canine Lens Epithelial Migration and Post Operative Lens Capsule Opacification

Active Grant #972 Identification of Mutations Associated with Hereditary Cataracts in Northern Breeds

Active Grant #985-A In vivo Effects of Tetracycline on Canine Refractory Ulcers

Active Grant #997-A Virological Survey of Dogs with Idiopathic Conjunctivitis

The Dog Bible - Lowchen information requested. Hylas Publishing and Borders is producing a 752-pg illustrated book to be titled, The Dog Bible. They want our Club to provide information on our breed, photos, imagery, information for their book. Recognition would be noted. This is not an AKC endorsed publication.

Received Lowchen scrapbook from Gwendolyn Farnsworth. I read in the Headlions that a Historian Chairman was appointed (Bobbi Mallace). I do not recall having a Board vote to confirm this recommendation. Will forward scrapbook to Bobbi after Board discussion/comments.

Top Show Dogs invite us to new edition of TopShowDogs internet magazine www.topshowdogs.com. - also sister site www.topk9s.com featuring top studs, profiled champions, videos, litter announcements, etc.

Ron Zimmerman - ShowDays.info - website addressing show information, judge ratings/rankings, new page for Club Services - for Club to share info re upcoming events. If you want me to forward this email to you, let me know.

AKC invites Clubs to hold a AKC Canine Experience (formerly AKC Education Match). Will forward email from Larry Sorenson.

New Member Applications: Catherine Tanguis (Beckett, Nienhaus), David and Natalie Weissman (Tapp, Emerizy), Adam Weissman (Tapp, Emerizy), Pat Corradi (Whewell, Erling-Baker), Grace English (Billman, McGuire) and Bredna Anderson (Beckett/Swindler). These applicants will be published in the next Headlions.

Discussion of an Historian and if it is a Presidential appointment, committee or a club elected position followed. A parliamentary election process was chosen by JoAllyn Beckett.

Treasurer's report submitted by Jann Nienhaus. Discussion of proof of insurance, bonding, health funds, rescue funds, and break down of receipts ensued. Board members requested breakdown of income and expenses. Report as submitted not approved.

"I would like to make a motion that we return to informal meetings and that our Recording Secretary only take notes on motions made, seconded, passed or defeated, and dates thereof. Carol Strong" 2nd Debbie King. No call for votes on this motion.

Location of the Harrington Trophy and arbitration was questioned.

Request received from Janette Swindler for additional seed money for the 2008 LCA Nationals. Yes votes – Lyle Harding, Althea Smith, Earle Marie Dingel, Herb Williams, Barbara Cecil, Cecile Balizet.

Glenda Martin made a motion to advance Lyle Harding \$2,000 in start-up money as she requested to fund the 2009 LCA National Specialty in Utah. Yes votes – Lyle Harding, JoAllyn Beckett, Glenda Martin, Althea Smith, Earle Marie Dingel, Herb Williams, Barbara Cecil, Cecile Balizet.

Votes for additional monies to Janette Swindler for 2008 Nationals – Lyle Harding, Althea Smith, Earle Marie Dingel, Herb Williams, Barbara Cecil, Cecile Balizet.

JoAllyn Beckett submitted a report from Purina Parent Club Partnership Program which read "as of April 30, 2008, the Lowchen Club of America has 24 members declared for the Purina Parent Club Partnership Program. From January 1, 2008 through April 30, 2008, 1 members have submitted weight circles resulting in a total of \$ 6.38 accumulated thus far for the 2008 Program."

END APRIL/MAY 2008 ONLINE BOARD DISCUSSION