

The Löwchen Club of America Inc

Board Member Agreement

Members of the Board will not misuse The Löwchen Club of America, Inc. (LCA) property or assets and will at all times keep such property and assets secure and will not allow unauthorized persons to have access to them. At the end of their term of office, a retiring Board member will surrender to their successor all reference materials and other club property entrusted to them during their term. Such return shall not excuse the retiring member from their continuing obligations of confidentiality with respect to information acquired during the course of their tenure on the Board.

The Commitment

Accordingly, as a member of the Board of Directors of the LCA, I will:

- Familiarize myself with all the LCA documents.
- Always act with integrity. Ensure legal and ethical standards and maintain accountability.
- Engage in active listening to my fellow Board members, and carefully consider and respect their opinions.
- Attend all board meetings in their entirety. Missing three consecutive meetings could result in removal from the Board.
- Maintain regular contact with the committees to which I am assigned.
- Represent all LCA members and attempt to communicate their needs to the Board, bringing to the Board's attention any issues I believe will have a significant effect on our club, our breed, or our members.
- Refer complaints promptly and directly to the person(s) best able to deal with them.
- Support the majority decisions of the board even if I am not in complete agreement.
- Stay well-informed about issues that come before the Board and help determine, monitor, and strengthen the organization's programs.
- Manage the club's resources effectively by responsible fiscal planning and due diligence.
- Promote teamwork among Board members, taking my fair share of the burdens and no more than my fair share of the credit.
- Consider myself a "trustee" of the organization and do my best to ensure it is well-maintained for future members.
- Pass on to my successor all club documents, materials, and other property entrusted to me as a member of the Board.
- Acknowledge conflicts of interest between my personal life and my position on the Board, and abstain from voting or attempting to influence issues with which I am conflicted or have a bias.

- Any board member disciplined by the AKC will immediately inform the board.

As a member of the Board of Directors, I will not:

- Criticize fellow Board members or their opinions.
- Use my position for my personal advantage or that of my friends or relatives.
- Discuss the confidential proceedings of the Board outside of the Board either during, or after my term of office expires.
- Decide how I will vote on an issue until I have heard the discussion and have become fully informed on that issue.
- Interfere with the duties or authority of other Board members.
- Speak for or on behalf of the Board or the LCA unless specifically authorized to do so.

Printed Name _____

Signature _____

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