RTCA BOD Meeting, called to order: April 10, 2020 at 5:36 pm MST

In attendance:

CH: Cory Hart, Vice President

LL: Linda Lee, Treasurer

JB: Jeri Berg, Secretary

PS: Patty Smith, Director

TK: Tracey Kallas, Director

CF: Carmeta (Meta) French, Director joined at 5:47

Absent : JL: Jordon Leigh, President

Secretary's Report

Motion 2020-223 to approve March minutes as amended.

Motion LL, TK second. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion 2020-224 to Correct Year on all Motions start with January Motion 2019-20 thru to March Motion 2019-219 from 2019 to 2020; these motions were made during January to March 2020.

Motion LL, CH Second. Motion passed unanimously.

Nominations 2020: Board Positions Voting/Ballots

- Concerns due to the COVID 19 virus: I would like to ask the membership, via an email, a notice on the RTCA Members Page and a notice on the RTCA Facebook page, if it would acceptable to have the members send in their ballot instead of sending ballots to each member. This is not in accordance with the By-laws for elections.
- It will reduce the amount of exposure to myself, having to purchase envelopes, print ballots and going to the post office to mail them.
- Members would have 48 hours to respond with a yay or nay.
- If no objections are received, then an email with the ballot of nominations, to be printed by member, will be sent to each member in good standing.
- All ballots MUST be sealed, glued, stapled or taped to be counted.
- Household memberships may combine their ballots in one envelope, each must be sealed to be counted.
- TK will post notice to Facebook Page
- JB will set up account on member's page to post notice there. If she needs help, CH will assist.
- Counting Ballots: Email to ask for Volunteers to count ballots, done via video (Skype, Facetime, Zoom).
 - BOD picks member volunteers to count ballots. Member must not have blocks on FB and be in good standing for last 30 days.

Is there a deadline for turning in receipts to avoid conflicts with Treasurer's budget? Is there a Budget for secretary?

No. Treasurer is allotted \$500 a month; anything over \$500 must be discussed with the board.

Deadlines RTCA IRS, Tax and State Corporate, Non-Profit tax filings with IRS, State of Colorado & State of Missouri

LL did the filling for all last year, 2019. Secretary and or Treasurer can do the fillings. LL will help JB to file for 2020.

President's Report

NO REPORT.

CF: Carmeta (Meta) French, Director joined at 5:47

Treasurer's Report

Checking: \$677.74 Savings: \$6694.64 Total: \$7372.38

\$551.44 spent

- Judges Education
- Meet the Breed December 2019 in Orlando,
- Artist fees for graphics
- AKC Fees
- Postage reimbursed to Osa Borgen for sending photos used at Meet The Breed
- Postage paid for returning photos to Osa Borgen

Need itemizes amounts for each item listed above.

CH: we should set up a budget for June. Fiscal and financial year starts January 1st.

Committee Reports:

Policy & Procedure Committee: Nothing to report

Chair: Cory Hart

Members: Jordon Leigh

Linda Lee

Carmeta French

Patty Smith

Tracey Kallas

Ways & Means Committee:

We currently have Bags and T-shirts with the RTCA Logo available for sale

LL will locate spreadsheet sent to her from TK, that has the original inventory and costs of T-Shirts for National 2019 and RTCA.

LL has physical possession of T-Shirts from Nationals. LL will need to count the T-Shirts for inventory.

CH: will submit bill for Bags. Need to determine Price and shipping cost for selling items to members.

2019 Specialty Report for next meeting; what was spent, what was earned.

Supported Entry Committee: Listed under New Business

Chair: Jackie Olsen

Members:

Robin Rudolph

Cayla Wallwork

Jason Sharp

Cory Downey Hart

Judges Education & Mentoring Committee:

Chair: Linda Lee Members:

Christina Martinez

Kari Jepson

Rene Morgan

Tracey Kallas

- Need to discuss graphics progress and contract
 The board discussed current progress and goals for the future. Discussion is tabled until next month's meeting to get more information.
- Due to corona virus cancellations no judges ed cards were mailed for the month of April. TK: Present a Virtual 90-minute seminar for AKC, from now to the end of May. May not be able to do, because of difficulties with interruptions of WIFI where she lives.
- Need to discuss budget for Judges Education Cards
- We have confirmed two upcoming educational seminars; Florida Dec 2020 and Arizona Feb 2021

Health & Genetics Committee:

Chair: Carmeta (Meta) French (CF)

Members:

Margaret van der Hagen

Patty Smith

Genetic Diversity: LL if off the committee

- CF: Post in the newsletter asks members to do Genetic Diversity test on their dogs. This is to test the pedigrees and how diverse the gene pool is; this will help determine when to close the Stud Book.
- Intact, spay and neutered dogs can be tested.
- DNA will be on file.
- Test can be ordered from UCDavis Veterinary Genetics Laboratory https://vgl.ucdavis.edu/
- Owners pay for tests \$50 per dog until 100 dogs are tested. Rate will increase to \$80 per dog after 100 has been reached.
- Meta (CF) will do a write up for the RTCA Facebook page, Member's page on website, Newsletter and email.
- An anonymous member may donate for tests.
- Raffle T-shirt, winner gets tests.

News Letter Committee / Communications:

Chair: Cory Downey Hart Co-Chair: Tracey Kallas

Missed getting the March Edition out. Will get April newsletter out ASAP

Pedigree Committee:

Chair: Christina Martinez

Members: Linda Lee Pam Mills

The following requests were received, and actions taken:

- #1 non-member: Received a request for Certified pedigrees to AKC register 2 dogs I have spoken to her few times she wanted to get 2 certified pedigree's she had them registered with continental kennel club and a hand written pedigree, I told her we would needed a pedigree from a registry, she then went and single registries her dog with UKCI and got a 3 generation however the pedigree showed that dogs from a known merle breeder was in the pedigree. I went to her site so to prove or disprove if the dogs had merle or fatum merle in them and she has taken most of her dogs dog down and retired from breeding after falsifying coat pattern to get into AKC.
- #2 A non-member called and sent in a registration from National Rat Terrier Club, after doing lots of research it was found that Feist were added in. NRTA, NRTR, DHTR all one in the same registry these dogs were known feist in the pedigree. I told him to go back to his breeder or show proof these dogs are rat terriers he has not done anything but complain about the RTCA.
- #3 A non-member sent in his NKC papers I responded, I would need a clearer copy to move forward have not heard back from him as of yet.

- #4 A non-member wanted to get her 2 dogs registered after speaking to her, and going through her emails, she did not pay for registered dogs and wanted to back door the breeders that sold them as pets only, because she had a litter.
- #5 A non-member contacted us again regarding registering his dogs. I have spoken to him numerous times he has single registered his dogs into NTRA/NRTR and has no pedigree behind his dogs, I told him to go back to his breeder and see if they will help he came back and said they are farm dogs and were never registered.

The chair requests: Please forward these emails to myself or Linda it has gotten confusing when one of you answer. I spend hours trying to help get pedigrees verified this is not an easy task.

From Cory – Perhaps we should look at setting up a mail address and mailbox just for the Pedigree Committee?

Motion 2020-225 To set up a separate email mailbox specifically for the Pedigree Committee. Motion JB, LL Second, Motion passed unanimously. CH will set up and find out cost.

New Business:

- **TK**: Specialty 2020, nothing has changed.
- **CH** will send a report to BOD, currently picking judges, hoping to include Trick Dog, Rally, Obedience, Fast Cat.

The following items were discussed, motioned, and passed on the BOD FB page:

- Sheree Sanchez submitted her resignation. It was accepted, March 8, 2020.
- **Motion 2020 -220** motion JL, 2nd LL, Motion passed unanimously Jeri Berg was appointed to the vacant position of Secretary. March 9,2020,
- **Motion 2020-221** Motion LL 2nd CH Motion passed unanimously. LL requested and received approval to reimburse Tracey Kallas \$252.05 for Judges education materials and mailing for all previously unbilled months. March 18, 2020
- **Motion 2020-222** Motion LL 2nd CH Motion passed unanimously. A letter was received requesting that the RTCA support the Morris & Essex KC show on October 1 2020. March 26, 2020 Secretary sent a letter to the club to let them know. March 27, 2020.

Old Business:

- T-Shirts cost and mailing will be coordinated with LL and TK. LL feels the cheapest mailing is via Priority Flat Rat.
- Ways & Means Committee has been started.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, May 6th, 2020 at 5:30 pm MST

Motion 2020-226 to adjourn at 6:40 pm MST Motion TK, CH second. Motion passed unanimously.